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CHARLES BRADLAUGH, an able King's Counsel and member of the British Parliament for many years, stood before a great audience in London, Bible in hand, and read out the great covenants God made with Abraham, and also confirmed by His oath and later reaffirmed to his seed. He then asked, "Have those promises ever been fulfilled to the Jews?" No one could say "Yes". He then said, "And you tell me the God of that book is a God of truth? I don't believe it." Thus publicly, and I think sadly, Charles Bradlaugh proclaimed that his faith in the Bible was gone. It had been wrecked by unbiblical teaching, and he became one of the most active infidels of his day, although not an atheist, for he still believed there must be a God, and that man can come into contact with God somehow.

Bradlaugh's faith had been wrecked by "teachers" who were substituting "the traditions of men" in place of the plain teachings of the Bible. ***And their kind of teaching is making infidels, agnostics and atheists today!*** For the great majority of Christians believe that the vast promises made to Abraham and his seed were to be fulfilled in the Jews. And it is a plain historical fact that they have never been fulfilled in the Jews. Then what? Has God broken His promises? Christians cannot believe that God has ever broken a promise.

So, knowing that the Mosaic covenant with Israel was made conditional upon Israel's keeping the Law, they have assumed that the vast covenants made with Abraham, Isaac and Israel were also conditioned upon obedience to the Law, so they reply, "It is quite true that those promises have never been fulfilled to the Jews, but that is because those promises were conditioned upon Israel's keeping the Law, and Israel did not keep the Law, and for this reason God has not fulfilled the promises". They think this exonerates God from any charge of "Promise-breaking".

But when shown these vast covenants **as recorded in the Bible** they discover that they were made with the Fathers **centuries before the nation Israel was formed** and given the Law, and that they were absolutely **UNCONDITIONAL**.

God has made their fulfilment depend, not on human frailness, but on His own changeless faithfulness in keeping covenant forever. That makes them **forever SURE!**

When shown this mighty fact, some of these "teachers" exclaim, "I have always thought those promises were conditioned upon the Jews' obeying the Law, and because they did not keep that Law the promises have never been fulfilled, but I now see that God has made their fulfilment depend altogether on **His** faithfulness: then why have they **not** been fulfilled?"

Others who stand forth as teachers of the Bible say, "The reason those promises have not been fulfilled in the Jews is that they sinned so badly that God had to reject them and begin over again with Gentiles, and a Gentile Church, and that Church will be the Bride of Christ". But when these teachers have been asked to **state definitely what were the promises** God made to Abraham, Isaac and Israel, and in whom these promises were to be fulfilled, and when they were to be fulfilled, not one of those teachers has been able to give any **definite answer!** Yet the answers have all been on record in black and white for centuries—in the Bible! But not in the traditions of men.

The teachers of those traditions of men have not paused to consider the devastating effect of their traditions upon the faith of men. In seeking to "excuse" God by saying that Israel sinned so badly that God had to cast them off they admit that **they think** God has not kept those promises, i.e., He is a **covenant-breaker!**

Moreover, by admitting that Israel's sins, or any other power on earth or in hell can compel God to break covenant, they are saying He is **not God Omnipotent!**

Further, to say that Israel's sins compelled God to reject the Israel He had "created and formed" to be His Servant Nation, and begin over again with Gentiles and a Gentile Church *means* that after God had spent *two thousand years with Abraham's ancestors* in preparing Abraham to be the father of a great company of nations that would be God's mighty instrument to bless all the families of the earth, **God changed His plan!**

And if He changed His plan He *overlooked* His oath-confirmed covenant with Abraham! This would also mean that God began all over again with Gentiles who possessed none of Israel's long racial training of another 2,000 years for this great commission! Then how is God Omniscient? But He says, "I am God, I change not, I will never break my covenant with you."

Those who teach that Israel sinned so badly that God had to reject them and begin over again with Gentiles, not only betray their gross ignorance of what the Bible teaches, but also betray that they have not perceived that their teaching presents God as **CHANGEABLE**, and a **COVENANT-BREAKER**, and neither **OMNISCIENT** nor **OMNIPOTENT!!!** Then what hope remains for man? Verily the traditions of men are the devastating weapons of the devil. Our Lord said so 1900 years ago. And it is tragically true today!

One of these young teachers said very positively, "But Mr. M..., all of those promises were fulfilled in Christ." "What promises made to the Fathers have been fulfilled in Christ?" I asked. He was stalled. "Let's look them up", I said. "I haven't time for that—I'm preaching Christ". "What Christ are you preaching?" I asked. "Is He the Anointed One (Messiah) of the everlasting covenant? If He is, and has broken the *basic promises* of that covenant are His remaining promises worth preaching?"

Another good brother said, "The real reason those promises have not been fulfilled is that the time has not yet come"!

"When will the time for fulfilling come?"

"No man knows."

"The Bible tells us."

"I've never seen it there", he replied.

"It's there just the same—and a whole lot more."

(1) The Bible tells us it will be "in the latter days",

(2) that the sons of Joseph (not Judah) will have become "a great and mighty nation", and "A company of nations", and "a great people" and

(3) they will have "a new name", and

(4) they will have "spread abroad to the West and East and to the North and the South", in that order and

(5) they will be "as the stars of heaven" and the "sands by the sea" in number.

We are in "the latter days" now: many. Bible students believe we are in the "last days" and that the return of the Redeemer of Israel is very near. What *time* is left for a handful of Jews to become "as the stars of heaven" and "as the sands by the sea"? And **WHERE** can they spread abroad today and become "a great and mighty nation and "a company of nations" and a "great people"? They cannot! And they *will not* because *those great promises were given to the House of Joseph* and **NOT** to the House of Judah! Read Genesis 48:19 with open eyes. This 48th chapter of Genesis is one of the most significant chapters of God's Book. Joseph, that great Prime Minister of Egypt, has brought his two sons to the bedside of his dying father Jacob-Israel, to receive his last will and testament. And there Israel definitely passes the Birthright (which normally would have fallen to his first-born, Reuben), on to the House of Joseph, and then entails that birthright to Joseph's **younger son, Ephraim!**

When Joseph, (thinking his dim-sighted father had made a mistake in crossing his hands), attempts to transfer Israel's testamentary right hand

to Manasseh's head, Israel refuses and says positively that he knows what he is doing, and clinches that statement by saying that while Manasseh "also shall become a people, and he shall be great, howbeit his younger brother shall become greater than he, and ***he shall become "a company of nations"***".

On the following day Israel formally announces to all his sons his denial of the Birthright to Reuben, and his passing-on of the vast double blessings of the Birthright to the ***House of Joseph*** and his allotting of the **Sceptre** to the House of Judah.

Without thoughtful reading of chapters 48 and 49 of Genesis and the definite confirmations of those chapters in I Chronicles 5:1 & 2, the ***Bible cannot be correctly interpreted!*** And, to be able to follow through the Bible and through world History the unfolding of God's declared purpose, one must read thoughtfully the record of the division of the twelve tribes of Israel into two kingdoms, the ten-tribed northern Kingdom of the House of Joseph, and the two-tribed southern Kingdom of the House of Judah in I Kings 11:26 to 12:24, and must NOTE that God said definitely concerning this division: "***This thing is of Me***". When one has read these verses and those two pregnant chapters of Genesis thoughtfully he sees at once how completely "the traditions of men" have misled Christendom through the centuries. Without these clear statements of the Bible ***it is impossible to interpret the Bible and world History correctly!***

A LOOK AT TODAY'S WORLD MAP

Having learned from the Bible itself that we are not to look for the fulfilment of the promise of "a great and mighty nation" and "company of nations" and "great people" in the Jews, we begin scanning thoughtfully the world map on the wall before us, looking for "a company of nations" all of one racial stock. Our attention is caught by the title "Great Britain". It seems to be the only nation officially designated as "Great"! And from Great Britain have sprung that wonderful ***company of nations*** known the world over as "The British Commonwealth of Nations", and "that great people, the United States of America". And then we suddenly ***realize*** that we actually ***have in our world today*** just such a "company of

nations" as was promised to the House of Joseph some three thousand seven hundred years ago!

And they are all of one racial stock! They have one language which has become a world language! They have one great monotheistic Faith: one sacred Book: one sacred Day: one common literature and laws and customs: and unitedly they have given the world some 500,000,000 copies of their sacred Book in more than a thousand languages! And in the News Broadcasts and the International Press they are constantly called "The Anglo-Saxon nations"! And they bear some eighty additional marks of Israel that are given in the Bible!

More than a century ago that great Historian, Sharon Turner, spent many years in research and in tracing back the trails of the Anglo-Saxon peoples, and he found that all of those paths led back to the very regions where the Assyrian armies had placed "The House of Israel" (the northern ten-tribed Kingdom whom they had conquered) and where this House of Israel had lost their name and their identity and become known as "The lost ten tribes of Israel", Dr. Milner has well said, "The place of Israel's grave is the birthplace of the Saxons"!¹

Many students have carefully compared the identifying marks of "Israel" *as given in the Bible* with the history and with the traits of the Anglo-Saxon peoples, and with the services these nations have rendered to the world, and have seen that these nations bear every one of the marks of Israel! And the evidence has fully convinced them that these nations are that "Israel" *whom God covenanted that the seed of Abraham would become in these latter days.*

The paths of the Migrations of the House of Israel, have also been traced westwards from the Caspian regions where the Assyrians planted them, and the trails all lead to this great family of Celto-Saxon nations. Abundant evidence is available, and it has convinced those who have tested it that we have in our world today God's stupendous fulfilment of His ancient promises to the Fathers. And those who have searched **KNOW** with glad certainty that **God keeps covenant unto all generations.**

And more! They know with a certainty that no argument can shake that Genesis is *God's inspired word!* Because the human mind does not know the future, therefore it is impossible that man could have invented those vast global promises nigh four thousand years ago and *have them precisely fulfilled in our own day!* And Genesis is both the *foundation* and the *strong framework* of all this wonderful Book of God.²

To those who have seen this truth God's ageless Book has become a wonderfully new book. It is no longer "a gallery of beautiful dreams" *unfulfilled*, no longer a back-number on dusty shelves, but God's thrilling pre-written history of *our own day*. The hundreds of millions of Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples are indeed as the sands of the sea in number, and are "a company of nations" and a "*great people*"; they stem from the very region where "Israel" disappeared; and have "spread abroad" exactly in the order pre-written in His Book that they would spread abroad; and they have performed and are performing much of the service Israel was created to render to mankind.

And it is this group of nations the mighty armies of the predatory powers have tried to destroy. This was pre-written thirty-seven centuries ago. "The archers fiercely attacked him, have shot at him and harassed him sorely, yet his bow remained unmoved, his arms were made strong by the Mighty One of Jacob.... by God Almighty who will bless you." (Gen. 49:2-26 R. S. V.) And it is now once more against these nations the mighty anti-God armies are preparing the battle *today*.

It is our high privilege to behold this great "company of nations" spread abroad in the strategic areas of the world. They are *here NOW!* And He who created and formed them to bless all the families of the earth is here *NOW* working in their midst—mightily in some of them. And you and I are a living part of this vast instrument for blessing the whole world. There is a bit of very hard travelling, however, between us and the Millennium—His Book says so. And that Book does not say that Gog and the Prince of Rosh are going to repent of their purpose of enslaving the whole world. And they admit they cannot accomplish that without smashing US—that great "company of nations".

We are the target Gog wants to destroy --- because we are God's instrument to bless. Our ignorance of that fact will not deter Gog from making that attack. But knowing our job will help us to plan and serve more effectively. And to know that our great Commander-in-Chief, who formed us for this truly great job, has "all power in Heaven and on earth", and has covenanted with US that he will come with vast reinforcements when the last battle gets too hard for us; to know these things when A-bombs and H-bombs begin to rain down will steady His people a lot.³

The glad testimony of those who have seen these great promises of His Book fulfilled today has led many atheists, infidels and agnostics to believe the Bible *is true*, and, searching the Bible they have found the living God as their own Redeemer and King—and are serving Him earnestly today.

Fourteen years ago, at the age of 75, I was asked, "What do *you* think about this idea that Britain is Israel"? Very promptly I answered, "It's all nonsense". "Yes" replied the Professor, "that is what all my friends say, but lately I've been reading some books that give a lot of facts well documented from the Bible and History—facts which I had never thought about before."

The Bible—as I then understood it—gave no countenance to the idea that Israel would become Britain. The idea seemed fantastic and *contrary* to the Bible, yet here was a College Professor ready to believe that fantastic idea. Such nonsense must be exposed—buried! I saw no one else attempting to bury this nonsense, so volunteered—inwardly! That was 14 years ago, and now I thank God every day for the great and gladdening light that resolve brought to me.

Discoveries came rapidly—one of the first being that I was not the first who had set out bravely to bury "this nonsense"! Before long I discovered that several of the writers of well-reasoned books I had found had entered the arena with like determination to "bury this nonsense" but instead had given us well-documented books recording the facts they had discovered, which had made the Bible a wonderfully new Book to them.

The unexpected blessings that come to these who had set out to "bury this nonsense" sometimes stirs in me an odd question—"Suppose you could get some of the apathetic ones sufficiently annoyed so they would rise up to bury this nonsense, might they not rise up the sooner to call you blessed?" I wonder! Lulling us into apathy is a very effective stratagem of our great antagonist in shutting us out of the light. Another even more effective stratagem of his is to plant prejudice in our heart. Of this Bishop Paley wrote, "There is a principle which acts as a *bar to all progress*, and *condemns a man* to everlasting ignorance; that principle is contempt before examination." And Solomon said three thousand years earlier, "He that *answereth a matter before he heareth it*, to him it is shame and folly." When we say of something of which we know nothing "It's all nonsense", we are doing that very thing! And we are slamming the doors and windows and pulling down the shades against light that would gladden our souls!

Once I had settled down to real study of this subject I quickly discovered that "*Britain is Israel*" is only part of a much vaster truth—that truth is "Britain and all the Celto-Saxon nations are the Israel God said would be "as the sands of the sea ". I soon discovered that those "objections" I had prepared to hurl at "this nonsense" would not stand up against the facts fairly weighed. I accumulated a sizeable collection of "objections" to this truth which other volunteer "undertakers" thought they had found. The language and spirit of some of these could not be called "Christian", but I read them all. Many of their statements would not tally with *facts*. The reasoning of others was very biased and often contradictory.

I read my books, and checked them with the Bible carefully, and my Bible became a wonderfully new book to me—as it has to many others who have searched it and discovered this great truth. "*I believe anyone who will study the available evidence without bias will be convinced of this truth*" was the considered verdict of that painstaking scholar Bishop Titcomb, after months of most careful checking of all the facts and arguments *pro* and *con*.

Many thousands in every Christian land who have studied the evidence carefully, praise God for the great new light this study has brought to

them. Believers in many lands are sharing this light and joy with their friends, and with all who will hearken.

A large and valuable literature on this important subject is now available. A look at my library might leave you wondering just where to begin, for this truth illuminates and gives new meaning to almost every phase of Bible history, Bible prophecy and Bible doctrine!

An Indian industrialist whose family has been Roman Catholic since the days of Francis Xavier, and who was led to the Bible and to a glad faith in Jesus Christ through this truth, wrote to me, "I've now read both the Vulgate and the American Revised Version through, and this interpretation is the only interpretation that *makes sense of the whole Bible*". And he added, "I've found the fine literature of this truth a real education". It certainly does lead one's studies into many unexplored highways of truth.

A missionary in India told me of a brother-in-law whose faith in the Bible and in God had been completely wrecked in World War II. He returned to Canada an atheist, without God, and without hope. In Canada he heard broadcasts proclaiming that Britain and the British Commonwealth of Nations and the U.S.A. are that "great and mighty nation" and "company of nations" and "great people" God covenanted that the seed of Abraham would become, and that this great family of Celto-Saxon nations is that "Israel" that God "created and formed" to "bless all the families of the earth."

He saw that these nations do fit these promises in Genesis amazingly! ***He also saw that if these nations are Israel, then Genesis and all that Book built on Genesis is God's Book!*** He began to study the evidences determinedly, and today he is a firm and glad believer in God and in His Book, and in His stupendous fulfilling of His promises to the Fathers.

A young Jew, grandson of a Jewish Rabbi after whom an important synagogue in Jerusalem is named, lost all faith in God because these great promises to the Fathers seemed to be unfulfilled. He became an atheist, without hope, and even contemplated suicide. One day on the train journeying to Warsaw he saw an aged Jew reading a Hebrew Bible with

manifest joy. He drew near and greeted that aged Jew, then told him how those "broken promises" had wrecked his faith. That old man replied quickly, "My son, God *has fulfilled* those great promises." He then showed him in that Hebrew Bible that those promises were not to be fulfilled in the Jews, but in Ephraim-Israel, and that there is just such a great and mighty nation, and company of nations, and great people in the world today as God told Abraham his seed would become.

"Where can I learn more about this?" the young Jew asked. His new friend gave him a small, worn tract, bearing the address of the headquarters of the World Federation of those who rejoice in beholding God's fulfilment of these great promises. Arriving at Warsaw he took the first train for London, found the address, and there studied all the evidences thoroughly, was convinced, and became a glad disciple of Jesus the Messiah, made full preparation for the ministry, was ordained and became an earnest minister in the Anglican Church.

One who is now a Canon in the Church of England discovered soon in his ministry that he was trying to preach to his people what he himself no longer believed. His modernistic training had wrecked his faith, and he was an agnostic, and not quite sure he was that.

He was honest, and the situation grew intolerable. He decided to resign from the ministry. But this did not relieve the blackness of a lost faith. The darkness became intolerable, and one night he sank to his knees and cried to God for Light. Hour after hour he sought light. Long after midnight there came to his memory a book his mother had given to him years before. It told about this faith that the Celto-Saxon nations are God's Israel today. The idea seemed to him "preposterous" and when his mother had gone he put that book on a far shelf of his library. As the vision of that book came to him there on his knees, the idea still seemed to him "preposterous". But the vision of that book *would not depart!*

At last he rose from his knees went slowly to that corner, took out that dust-covered book and began to read. And he read on and on. He read until day-break, then sank to his knees, thanking our covenant-keeping God for a new and glad faith in Him and in His Book, and His changeless

faithfulness in keeping covenant. I have read his letter telling of that night of agony of soul, and the great light that came with the morning.⁴ He like others who have seen this great light, has continued exploring the wide vistas of truth it opens up. He has given all the time he could out of a busy pastorate to telling the good news to others, and has given us several extremely helpful books setting forth this truth.

An aged business man, retired from big business in India, who had lost faith in the Bible, dropped into my library for "something to read". On those shelves there is little of the kind he was looking for; but there were several shelves of books, large and small, dealing with evidences of God's faithfulness in fulfilling His covenants, and with the wide implications of this truth. The titles and the truth were all new to him. I saw him going over them systematically, pulling out one here and another there, and I came away. An hour or two later he came with one of the books in his hand and wanted to borrow it. The next day he came and spent some long time on those shelves, and borrowed other titles. He continued coming, and getting other books. Some times he brought questions. One day he said, "This truth seems so *obvious*, I don't understand why everyone doesn't believe it. Are there objections?"

I gave him the productions of the objectors, and he went through them with the same thoroughness that had marked a long business career. He began studying the wide implications of this truth, then came for a week-end. I noted that he was studying his Bible diligently, even far into the night.

One morning early he came into my study, walked straight to my desk, took my hand in both his, and said with deep feeling, "Mr. M., I've thanked God, and now I have come to thank you for this great new light."

He continued studying the many prophecies which are commonly "spiritualised" into meaningless nebulae, but which have become concrete realities in our own world. World history now had entirely new meaning as he saw how precisely it tallies with Bible prophecies, and he would often say, "What a *wonderful* book this Bible is!"

I could tell you of many who through this truth have found the Bible a new and living book. That great leader of Methodism in London, Dr. Dinsdale Young, testified before a great gathering in London, "This truth sheds a wonderful radiance on the Old Testament." Do you wonder that I want to share this light and joy with as many as possible before I pass on? It is a high privilege to be able to help one's fellow-men to strong and glad faith in God and His word.

There are millions today who feel that God's great promises to the Fathers have *not* been fulfilled and these are very definitely *not interested* in the Bible—to put it mildly. More millions have lost all faith in the Bible because the traditions of men have taught them that Israel sinned so badly that God had to cast them off, and begin again with Gentiles. But in every Christian land many are testifying with joy, "God *has* fulfilled those promises—and stupendously—in our own day." Which of these groups is right?

It is vital and urgent that each one of us find the right answer, for it is *far more determinative* than we have been realizing of our real inward attitude to the Bible, and of a reasoned faith in God as One who keeps covenant unto all generations—including our own!

Many about you have no gripping, motivating faith in the Bible and in God because of a deep feeling (often unexpressed) that God has not "made good" on those vast, oath-confirmed promises to the Fathers. To such a man at your side what answer can you give that will help him to a reasoned, glad faith in God. I am sure your answer will be a glad one if you will investigate this vital truth seriously, asking God for light.

It is five years since the above message was first written, and I must now add something which happened off here on the border of Nepal after this booklet was first published.

It was a June day and "Old Sol" was making a record even for India. The writer was sitting by an open door rather lightly clad, vigorously wielding a palm-leaf fan. A shadow darkened the door, and there stood a smartly

uniformed orderly clicking his heels and saluting in proper military fashion. "Colonel Sahib sends his *salaams*, and wants something to read."

Colonel Sahib would want something very "light" to read on this record June day. My shelves had no Colonial fiction or near relatives. "Brother, I'm right sorry, but I have nothing that would interest the Colonel Sahib." The orderly was manifestly disappointed. Probably the Colonel had told him he must bring "something". My eye fell on some very fine pictures of H. M. George V with all his Commonwealth Premiers. These photographs were in a BIWF Annual with many other fine photos of the Statute of Westminster Conference, the Royal family, etc. etc.

"Wait a bit, brother, here are some pictures the Colonel Sahib may like to look at." I lifted that Annual, and underneath was another as interesting, and below that another journal with a lot of well-documented *evidence* that God had fulfilled and is fulfilling His great promises made to the Fathers nigh 4000 years ago. I hesitated a moment: "That journal won't be particularly 'light' reading for a Colonel Sahib on a hot day." Then I picked up *all three* and gave them to the orderly. "Tell Colonel Sahib I have no light reading, but he may like to look at these pictures. And tell him I'll call over in the evening." The orderly left, well pleased. Would the Colonel be as well pleased?

The day had been extremely hot so I did not go across until it was beginning to get dark. The Colonel was sitting out in front of the Dak Bungalow bent over a small table reading in the dim light. He did not hear my footsteps on the soft grass, so the orderly said quietly, "Padre Sahib has come." The Colonel sprang up quickly and came to me with both hands extended, grasped my hand and said with deep emotion such as British Colonels do not often show, "Padre, I *thank* you, I *thank* you! you have given me back my God—thank you again." He saw I was perplexed by this greeting, and said, "Come, have a seat."

There in that deepening twilight he told me his story of four faith-wrecking years in France in World War I, which I could appreciate fully, for I also had been there for four years. He concluded, "What I saw during those four years completely destroyed my faith that there is a God. I came

out an *absolute infidel*, and although I am nominally a member of the Church of England, I've not been inside a Church for more than 25 years. But Padre, you've given me back my mother's Bible and my God, *and now I'm going to Church!*" His commission kept him here several days longer, during which he dug into the evidences earnestly and with deepening faith and joy as he saw how wonderfully God has fulfilled those great Covenant promises to the Fathers. Later I received a grateful letter from him in Lahore where he was continuing his study of this great truth, and about to return to "Blighty".

Not long after receiving that letter, I received another from a lady in South Africa who had read God's "Broken" Promises. She had been many years a teacher in England --- a Roman Catholic at the time. One day, "a funny old lady left a copy of *The National Message* on my table as she was leaving. We called her 'funny' because she would often use the name of God in conversation in the club, and you know that just 'isn't done'".

"As I looked down at that magazine on the table I found myself thinking 'I suppose I must have a glance at it anyway, just to please the old girl.' Its first article gripped me powerfully, for it revealed Bible truth I had never known before. So did the next article—and the next. Suddenly I saw how wonderfully God has fulfilled His great promises made to the Fathers so long ago, and I leaped from chair almost shouting, 'This is *true!*' This is *true!*', and I wanted to tell the whole world."

This truth led her to full faith in God's word, and in Christ as her personal Saviour, and during all the years since she has been proclaiming this truth earnestly and effectively.

A few weeks after receiving the above letter another came from an aged couple in Bloemfontein who had read this booklet. That letter contained two worn pages from a 1945 number of "Covenant Message" which told how Charles Bradlaugh had been brought back to full faith in the Bible by an elderly lady who knew her Bible well and had seen the amazing way God had fulfilled His promises to Abraham and his seed in the Anglo-Celto-Saxon family of nations.

"You are looking in the wrong place for the fulfilment of those promises, Mr. Bradlaugh", she said, as he was pointing to the fact that these promises have never been fulfilled in the Jews, as proof that the Bible is not the inspired word of God. That statement challenged the mind of the trained lawyer, and gave her the opportunity of showing him in the Bible that those great promises were not to be fulfilled in the Jews, i.e. the House of Judah, as he had been supposing, but in the House of Joseph. (Genesis 48:4 & 19).⁵ Reading those statements as there recorded he saw that she was right, and that he had indeed been "looking in the wrong place" for that promised "Great and mighty nation" and "company of nations" and "great people", and ***for this reason he did not find them!*** And that mistake had made him "an infidel, bold, able, violent and unwearied --- he was the terror of the Churches, and being exceedingly able he led many astray. Once he was one of the most noted and able infidels of England, a determined and undaunted opposer of all ministers and of religion.

"In the latter years of his life he heard of British-Israel truth through an able and devoted lady. He attended British-Israel lectures and it changed altogether his attitude toward the Bible. 'I love to come: it is most wonderful what light British-Israel truth throws on the Bible'.⁶

Commander Reader Harris, K. C., another highly trained lawyer who was also an active infidel was brought back to full faith in the Bible by British-Israel truth. Commenting on the wrecking of Bradlaugh's faith by false teachings Reader Harris wrote, "Do you not see the pity of it? And ***whom do you consider is the more*** to blame, truth-seeking and candid Bradlaugh, or his teachers?"

"I appeal to you to enquire into the matter for yourselves! You will be amply repaid. You will be surprised how much more easily you will be able to read your Bible with this new light thrown on its mysteries. And watching events of the world shape themselves as foretold, each day you will be more convinced that the Anglo-Saxon race is in very truth God's chosen race for the evangelising and subjecting of the world for Christ—and I challenge contradiction".

These two highly trained King's Counsels had been trained to base their decision on evidence. And they were trained to know what constitutes valid evidence. Once shown the right path, they sought and tested the evidence for God's fulfilling of His promises to the Fathers. And as honest seekers they accepted that evidence, and proclaimed their faith that the Bible is God's word written.

Yet there are millions today who call themselves Christians who scornfully *refuse to make any examination* of the abundant evidence now available. In so doing they shut themselves away from great and gladdening Truth. Is this wise? Is not the counsel of that able K. C. sound? "I appeal to you to enquire into the matter for yourselves. You will be amply repaid."

Some of the readers of this testimony --- I hope many---will decide to investigate this vital truth earnestly. You may welcome a little help in beginning this quest. The first step, obviously, is to know precisely what God did covenant to Abraham and the Fathers, since the understanding of these Covenants is:

**The Indispensable Key
to the interpretation of the Bible
and of world history.**

For this theme of God's covenants with the Fathers runs right through the Bible, and is basic in God's Great Plan for saving and blessing the world. The Bible is a big book to study without a guide, so you will find it helpful in the beginning to have some book that will guide in this vital study. Bible students in many lands have been studying this truth for some decades now, and excellent books are available (about which more later.)

After informing yourself accurately as to the vast promises God did make, and *in what people these promises would be fulfilled*, you will want to trace the precise ways in which God has fulfilled these vast promises to the Anglo-Celto-Saxon peoples, and is fulfilling them today: You will want to follow the many trails of the Israel peoples trekking to

the "Isles of the West"; also the wonderful way David's Sceptre and Throne were transferred to Ireland and Britain; also the coming of the Coronation Stone to Ireland and Britain; also the wonderful way the Gospel was brought to Glastonbury by the Apostles of Christ *within five years of His resurrection*; and the ultimate assembling of all the tribes of Israel in the British Isles to build up their strength, and in due time to "spread abroad to the West and the East and to the North and to the South" just as God told Jacob-Israel his seed would spread abroad. Genesis 28:4.

Excellent books dealing with the many phases of this vital truth are available today in Evangelical Book Depots of all Christian lands. You will want to know which books are best to begin with, interests differ, and where to get them and some will be keen to begin with one phase of this truth and some with another phase. To attempt in this little booklet to advise on these different phases would expand it too much. So the addresses of national Book Depots in each English-speaking nation will be given. The Manager the Book Depot nearest you will be glad to advise you, and will give you the address of the Book Depot or Reading Room nearest you where you can see these books—perhaps in your own town, and you can contact fellow citizens who have already searched and found this truth which has made them glad and the Bible a wonderfully new Book to them. (**NB** books on the identity of true Israel were widely available in most Christian bookstores when this book was first published, but sadly this is not the case today (2007). However, if you wish to obtain further information or literature see contact details on page 23.) The writer believes that if you begin this quest prayerfully now you will always be glad you did not delay.

Footnotes

1 Rev. W. M. H Milner, M.S., F.R.G S., A.V.I.

2 "Nineteen hundred years ago the Son of God told His disciples when alone with them in that upper room that His purpose in telling them "before it is come to pass" (Prophecy) was "that when it is come to pass they might **BELIEVE**". This is the basic and continuing purpose of all Prophecy—to create and confirm our faith in God and in His word. That

was the purpose of those vast and millennia-spanning prophecies of the Old Testament, and of the prophecies of our Lord also.

In 1832 Dr. Keith published his first book, *Evidences of Prophecy*, which has been re-published scores of times since and has been translated into many languages, and is still a standard work on this important subject. In that little book he presents the testimony of many travellers and explorers of his day who have **SEEN** the ruin of the great cities precisely as foretold by the prophets of the Old Testament thousands of years ago. Celebrated Deists and other opponents of the Bible admitted that they "had no answer" to the testimony of fulfilled Prophecy. Reading these testimonies, and in later days seeing the photographs of the ruins of Babylon, Tyre, Egypt, Jerusalem and many other ancient cities *precisely as pre-written* by the ancient Prophets did indeed lead multitudes to firm and glad faith in God and in His Book.

But if the mute evidence of those dead and ruined cities does thus powerfully create and confirm faith, how much more powerfully are faith, certainty and gladness created and maintained by the seeing of that "great and mighty nation," and "company of nations" and "great people" living and functioning in our own world today precisely as covenanted by our covenant-keeping God nigh four thousand years ago!

And how wonderfully up-to-date becomes that "old" Book that records and enshrines those covenants! How I do wish that I could persuade every reader of these lines to *begin* the rewarding Quest today!

3 Read "We have a Guardian" by W. B. Grant (The Covenant Publishing Co. Ltd. 121, Low Etherley, Bishop Auckland, DL14 0AH)

4 A reply to "The Sign," by Canon R. G. F. Waddington, M A. The organisation and bookroom that distributed this book closed down in the 1970's and is now out of print!

5 Genesis 48:4 & 19. Do read that entire chapter with your "*seeing eyes*" for it is absolutely vital to any true understanding of the Bible and God's Great Plan revealed therein. And while you have your seeing eyes on,

read I Kings 11:26 to 12:24, and note carefully that God says in 12:24 that this division of the 12 tribes of Israel into the House of Judah (the Jews) and the House of Israel "is of Me"! And this division of the Children of Israel into two kingdoms continues still, and will continue until God re-unites them in that great day so positively foretold in Ezekiel 37:22-2. This truth is an *indispensable key* for the true interpretation of the Bible. Sec Chapter 4 of "*Judah's Sceptre and Joseph's Birthright*" by J. H. Allen. Prof. Totten of Yale University said "*Fully half of the Bible cannot be understood without this vital key*"—and he was right.



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