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THIS VERSE, WITHOUT DOUBT, is one of the most misunderstood verses in the Bible; and is seldom if ever explained by the Judeo-Christian teachers, the priests of Ba'al which stand in the pulpits of America and the Western World today.

We know that He did not come to the Jews because He bore witness to this: "But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel." (Matthew 15:24)

As a second witness, and there are many many more but we show these two to show you that Christ did not come to the Jews: "I know that ye are Abraham's **SEED**; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath no place in you. I speak that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that which ye have seen with your father. They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, **IF YE WERE ABRAHAM'S CHILDREN**, ye would do the works of Abraham." (John 8:37-39)

Here Christ is showing that although the Jews (of His day) could claim to be the seed of Abraham, He told them they were **NOT HIS CHILDREN**.

To explain this verse so you can understand just what John is telling us here, let's turn to Paul. Paul, the author of many of the epistles, tells us

that he was an Israelites of the seed of Abraham and of the Tribe of Benjamin. (Romans 11:1)

This fact so conveyed it is necessary that we keep in mind, if we would interpret his epistle of Romans correctly. He introduces to our notice three parties; the Jews, whom most Christians assume to be of the Tribe of Judah, because they have been told this so many times by the Judeo-Christian clergy, the Israelites, who embraced the Tribe of Benjamin and the other Tribes that had been in captivity for about eight hundred years; the whole together are generally known as the House of Jacob, the House of Judah which includes members of the Tribe of Judah and Benjamin.

In the third party we have the Gentiles. This word Gentile usually denotes and includes the non-Jewish nations and people, but a careful study of this word and we find it means Nations of the Israelites, or Israelites. However, we will not present that study here because of its length.

Ignorance, brought on by false teachings, of these three parties, their place in Providence, and relation one to another, has given rise to much needless controversy and division in the Christian world. Men have argued over these for centuries, laying great stress on the 9th, 10th, and 11th chapters of Romans, which are seldom taught in truth.

Paul deals with a literal one, having reference to a distinct people, whom God has elected for a special work in this world. This people God calls "His people," "His inheritance," "His chosen," "His witnesses," "His servants," "This people have I formed for Myself; they shall shew forth my praise." (Isaiah 15:21) Hence exclaims the Psalmist "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom He hath chosen for His own inheritance." (Psalm 33:12)

It will be evident to any careful Bible student that God called Abraham from Ur, in the Chaldea, from his own kindred, for a special design. Through Abraham's seed Jehovah designed that blessings, temporal and spiritual, would flow to all nations. He selected this seed for His own training, instruction, and culture, to the end that they might train, instruct, and teach the rest of mankind.

Through Judah was to come spiritual blessings, because from Him was the Messiah; and through Ephraim, as representative of the House of Israel, was to come temporal blessings. And this in the past has been the order of providential procedure; it is the present order, and it is to be the future, the efforts of the anti-Christ Jews to the contrary notwithstanding. Look and verify this statement and order by an examination of the nations of the earth at this time, by asking yourselves the question: What form of religion among the many of the earth is best suited to develop man, to conserve his truest interest, and crown him with the greatest measure of peace, plenty, liberty, and security?

Surely to this question there can be but one answer; it is the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ. And it is evident that Christ came of the Tribe of Judah.

If we look around the world and seek among the nations for the best form of civilization and the best government, we find the same to be in the bounds of Israel and Manasseh; England and America.

Here we find individualism the best developed, and liberty the fullest grown. In this conclusion the intelligent of every other nation will concur. If anyone will be honest there is no disagreement in our making this statement.

Thus, without doubt, the world at large is greatly indebted to the religion of Jesus, who was of Judah, and to the Anglo-Saxon, Germanic, Scandinavian, Celtic peoples for the best and purest forms of political organizations or governments; until they come under the control of the anti-Christ Jews and are then turned into dens of iniquity.

The Anglo-Saxon, Germanic, Scandinavian, Celtic and kindred peoples of the earth being the descendants of the Children of Israel, it therefore follows that God has carried out the design included in Abraham's call, and the promise made that in his seed that all the nations of the earth would be blessed. To us it seems to have been a roundabout way. Had Israel been obedient to God in Palestine, and had Judah (note this carefully - **HAD JUDAH**), the remnants of the Tribe of Judah which were in Jerusalem and

Palestine at the time of Christ on earth) **RECEIVED JESUS AS THE TRUE MESSIAH**, the state of the nations most certainly would have been very different to what it is presently.

Note carefully, that Judah did not receive Christ, this is not speaking of the children of Satan (Matthew 13:38; John 3:10; 6:70; 8:44, Acts 13:10) Yet, through it all, and for all, the purpose of God in setting up His Kingdom here on earth has been carried forward in His people Israel.

In a study of Scripture and God's Plan for the earth it is always well to remember that God is not dependent on the harmonious co-operation of His creatures for the accomplishment of His purpose.

He can gain His ends either through or hate or love, resistance or co-operation. When **THE JEWS CRUCIFIED CHRIST**, they naturally thought they had cut short His career and cut off His influence; for so it would appear by all human reasoning. And that they would seize upon His inheritance as the Parable of the landholders relate to us. Even the Disciples did not see how He could be the Messiah and Deliverer of Israel when He allowed Himself to be crucified. The hope of Israel was buried with the dead Christ. They had hoped that it would be He who should redeem Israel; but this hope was then dead.



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But by His resurrection they saw through the secret of God's Plan, and they saw that God WAS faithful in devising a way of escape, and able to bring to pass His own glorious purpose. So Peter voices their experience when he says, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which, according to His abundant mercy, hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." (1 Peter 1:3) In fact, the Jews soon found that they had made a mistake in crucifying Christ; for the risen Christ was mightier than the teaching One. They had crushed a seed to the earth, or so they thought, which sprang forth in

renewed beauty and grace; whose death was life and whose loss was gain. In fact, they had been outwitted.

The Jews in wrath had offered a sacrifice once and for all, even for the very sin in which they were then indulging; they unknowingly abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light for God's Israel people.

The critical and unbelieving Jews, who denied another life than this, gave aid to proving another and a better; for Christ risen condemned their unbelief. The proud and ritualistic Jews who loved the temple and its gorgeous ceremony, destroyed one and made the other of none avail, for in the death of Christ they laid the foundations of another and more grand temple; one composed of living stones, and made the old temple service meaningless; for the anti-type had swallowed up the type; the real, the ideal. In all this they had reasoned on a human plan, which is not high enough to wholly overlook and explore the Kingdom of god.

Paul in 1 Corinthians 2:7, makes this matter very plain: "But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery; even the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the world unto our glory, which none of the princes of this world knew; for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory." Christ committed His life to the wave-tide of their rage, and was floated to death in victory. On the man side there was purpose and hate, and for this they were responsible; and on the divine side we have wisdom and love working out the salvation of a lost race.

Christ came to His own (the Tribe of Judah, what was left of it in Palestine, for the greater part of it and the Tribe of Benjamin had been carried away into the Assyrian captivity a few hundred years after the other tribes) and they did not receive Him. Who were His Own? The answer, of course, is the Remnant of the Tribe of Judah and Benjamin in Jerusalem.

He was of Judah, but if His own did not receive Him, we ask, who did? The answer is clear for all to see, if they will only look, Israel received Him. The Israelites in the land at that time were part of the Tribe of Benjamin. They had been providentially selected for this work nearly a thousand years before.

This one Tribe of Benjamin has a very peculiar history; and if you will study it over, it will greatly serve to confirm your faith in the Divine inspiration of the Bible and the unity and forethought of God Almighty.

The original theocracy of Israel consisted of Twelve tribes; this theocracy was divided under Rehoboam, Solomon's son and successor. Ten Tribes succeeded, and formed a kingdom, which is ever after called the Kingdom of Israel; their first king was Jeroboam. But it is very singular to notice, that one of these Ten Tribes is lent to the Kingdom of Judah, and this one Tribe is Benjamin. In this was the Divine provision for the time of Christ.

We find in the first Book of Kings, eleventh chapter, that Solomon displeased the Lord by his wicked ways, and the Lord said: "Forasmuch as this is done of thee, and I will give it to thy servant (jeroboam was Solomon's servant at that time): notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it, for David thy father's sake; but I will rend it out of the hands of thy son. Howbeit I will not rend away all the kingdom, but will give one Tribe to thy son, for David My servant's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, which I have chosen." (1 Kings 11:13)

All the kingdom evidently meant the Ten Tribes. The same truth Ahijah, the Shilonite, taught when he rent his new garment into twelve pieces, and gave to Jeroboam ten. "And he said to Jeroboam, Take thee ten pieces; for thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel: Behold, I will rend the kingdom out of the hands of Solomon and will give Ten Tribes to thee." (1 Kings 11:31)

Then comes in the reserve clause again: "But he shall have one Tribe for my servant David's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the Tribes of Israel." (1 Kings 11:32) And the reason for the reservation of this Tribe is clearly expressed in verse 36: "And unto his son will I give one Tribe, that David my servant may always have a light before me in Jerusalem." Now it is plain why this Tribe was an exception.

The city of Jerusalem, God says, He has chosen out of all the cities of Israel, because to this city would the Messiah come. Beautifully agreeing

with the forethought is the fact that when the Tribes had their lots assigned them in Palestine, the city of Jerusalem fell in the portion of Benjamin.

The Tribe then were the owners of the city, and they received Christ, but the unbelieving children of Satan, the Jews did not and sought to kill Him. (John 7:1) The disciples and first followers and converts were chiefly from this Tribe of Benjamin, but one of them whom Christ called a devil, was a Jew called Judas - the traitor who betrayed him. (John 6:70)

They were to separate from the kingdom of Judah, and seek out their own brethren and unite with them. The time of their separation had been foretold by the prophet, and pointed out by the Savior. The time of their departure would be coincident with the siege and destruction of their beloved city. So cried Jeremiah down through the centuries, "Oh, ye children of Benjamin, gather yourselves to flee out of the midst of Jerusalem, and blow the trumpet in Tekoan, and set up a sign of fire in Bethhaccerem, for evil appeareth out of the North and great destruction." (Jeremiah 6:1)

If any are mindful to examine history, they will find that war came, that the destruction was terrible, and more, they will find that the Benjamintes escaped. These points profane historians thoroughly confirm.

Having fulfilled their God-appointed mission with the kingdom of Judah and in Jerusalem, Heaven gave them to be light-bearers to the whole world; first to specially find their own brethren of the House of Israel, and carry them the Gospel, and they would carry it to all the earth. Thus the Savior said, "Go not in the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not. But go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel." (Matthew 10:6; 15:24) Peter in his epistle tells where these lost sheep were scattered.

Agreeable to the Savior's command they went forth, and preached as they went, and so carried the Gospel of Christ with them. As a Tribe they finally settled in Normandy, and gave to France her Protestantism, which, from that day to this, Catholicism has not been able to entirely uproot, though it has made several desperate attempts.

They finally, however, as a Tribe, a people, under the Norman conquest, entered England and united with the other nine Tribes. Their advent, and the way they came, is very graphically symbolized in the unicorn on the royal arms of England. The unicorn is looking Westward, and is attached to the crown by a chain; showing that it came from the East.

With these facts in one's mind, read those difficult passages in Romans, and all will be plain. Take, for instance, Romans 11:17: "And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert grafted in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree; Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee. Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in. Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not high minded, but fear: For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee."

Here it is manifest that we have three parties mentioned. The branches broken off mean the original Ten Tribes, the wild olive stands for the first ten tribes taken captive in the Assyrian captivity, the people in among whom they were grafted, or root of whose fatness they were partakers, mean the Israelites.

The hope of their restoration is nicely set forth in verse 24: "For if thou were cut out of the olive tree, which is wild by nature, and wert grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree, how much more shall these, which be the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree." Again, the wild olive stands for the Ten Tribes which went into the Assyrian captivity, the branches which were broken off, the good olive tree for Israel; Judah and Benjamin which God never divorced; and so could be grafted back into the original tree of the House of Jacob.

The calamity that happened to the Tribes of Israel in being carried captive has been turned into good by our heavenly Father; into good for them and all the world. "Therefore the Lord removed Israel out of His sight, as He had said by all His servants the prophets. So was Israel carried away out of their own land to Assyria unto this day." (2 Kings 18:23) Keeping back the Tribe of Benjamin and Judah is a marvel of goodness. And with Paul

we may exclaim: "Now if the fall of them be the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles, how much more their fullness." (Romans 11:12)

If Israel had been able to contribute so much of Christianity to the world, and evolve in her imperfect state such an equitable form of government, what will her contribution be when gathered, restored, and once again put into a theocratic relation to God? "For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead?" (Romans 11:15) This people who have been scattered among the nations and brought back from among them for His own glorious purpose and work are of course Israelites.

Can you not see that Christ came unto His own and they received Him not were His own Israel people of the Tribes of Judah and Benjamin who were in Jerusalem and Palestine at that time in history. The branches who were broken off were the Ten Tribes of Israel who were taken first into Assyrian captivity, and later most of the tribes of Benjamin and Judah were taken and carried away into captivity with the rest of Israel.

Therefore, because they were scattered among the other nations and lost their original name of Israel because of their collective sins they have been a mystery to the world; a mystery among the non-Israelite peoples of the world. Paul to the Colossians says: "To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you the hope of glory." (Colossians 1:27)

Though many will not accept it, because they have been lied to all their lives by the priests of Ba'al in the pulpits of America and the Western World, the Entire Bible, the Old Testament and the New Testament was written to, for and about Israel and no other people on the face of the earth no matter what one wishes to believe.

Christ came unto His own and they received Him not is not pertaining to the Jews who have never accepted Him, they have always hated Him because He is Righteous and Good and they are of their father the Devil who is (D)evil and bad.

Some have said: "Why did God create Evil and Good." Well when Satan and his minions rebelled against God in Heaven and was cast out, God had to prove to those that were left that He had acted justly and with love, and not unjustly and with hate. Therefore, he has allowed evil to flourish and to work its way on the earth to show those who remained in Heaven that His way was the right way and so would Live Him; not because of their fear but because of their Love.



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