<u>What Does the Bible Say About the</u> <u>Future of Israel?</u>



Christians who support Israel have been deceived by false teachers of God's Word! God's promise to the children of Israel was contingent on their obedience.

<u>The Palestinians, a Brief Historical</u> <u>Sketch – by Reinhard Schaap</u>



My good friend Reinhard from the Netherlands sent this to me. He says it's part of a seminar he gave to the college of his Baptist Congregation about Jacob and Esau. I value history and this article certainly has information I was not aware of!

The emphasis in <u>underline</u> are mine.

"Behold, your house is left desolate for you," Matt. 23:38.

"If they build, I will destroy" Mal. 1:4.

"The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are Esau's hands." Gen. 27:22.

The destruction!

According to the Word of the Lord, the Roman legions came to put down the Jewish uprising and destroy Jerusalem in 70 AD. The army commander Titus did not originally intend to demolish the temple, but was ordered to do so by the emperor and his soldiers were so enraged by the fierce resistance of the

Jewish fighters that they left no stone unturned in the sanctuary.

The Jews also received a treacherous dagger in the back. The Jewish historian **Flavius DJosephus** mentions the following in "The Fall of Jerusalem": "Just before all the approaches to the city had been closed by the besiegers, the Romans, the Jews had admitted a large crowd of Idumeans (Edomites), who joined the defense would help." However, when one reads how suddenly these "allies", once they were inside the wall, changed their face and – quite unexpectedly – proceeded to massacre tens of thousands of civilians in the most brutal manner. An act with which they contributed not a little to the fall of the city.

It is also interesting what **Rabbi Maimonides** (A.D. 1135-1204) mentions about the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple in particular. In his tract Taanith, c. 4, he says: "The foundations of the temple were excavated according to Roman custom." He further said, "On the ninth day of the month Ab, the fatal vengeance was executed by the wicked Turnus Rufus, of the children of Edom, who plowed the temple and the places round about, that the word of Isaiah might be fulfilled." that Zion shall be plowed into a field" (Isaiah 64:10). This Turnus, or rather Terentius Rufus, was the left-handed general in the army of Titus, with orders, as the Jews assume, to destroy the city and the temple.

Not all expelled.

The Jews were not all taken into captivity in 70 AD. Roughly a third of the population was killed, a third taken captive and a third remained in Palestine. This became apparent in 132-135 AD at the time of the Bar Kokhba rebellion. Afterwards many were expelled from Judea who settled in Galilee and the spiritual center (Sanhedrin) initially resided in Jawneh on the coast and later elsewhere in the north of the country until the year 425 AD. Then the center was moved abroad to Baghdad. But many Jews remained in their homeland for centuries.

Under Byzantine (i.e. Eastern Roman) rule, they led a fairly quiet existence. When the Arabs conquered the country in the 7th century, they were not exterminated, but, probably forced, they converted to Islam and so <u>these Jews</u> <u>became Palestinians</u>! There may have been a mixture with the Arabs, but there is an interesting DNA study on this.

Sons of Abraham.

A frequently heard claim is that the Jewish settlers in the 19th century ended up in an uninhabited, empty country, which is not entirely true, to say the least. The priest **Elias Chacour** wrote in his book "Sons of Abraham" what he had experienced in the last century, before the Jewish state was founded in 1948.

Fighters of the Jewish Hagana, who wanted to liberate Palestine from British rule, had expelled the "Arabs" from their villages in Galilee. However, they were lucky, because some other villages had been massacred. The victims had been hastily buried 'sloppily', while arms and other limbs were still

sticking out of the sand!

Jews exterminating other Jews? That would be pure fratricide!

DNA research among Jews, Israelis and Palestinians:

The first scientist to conduct such a study was **Dr. Ariella Oppenheim**, biologist at the Hebrew Yeshiva University, who published her findings in a voluminous work in 2001. Her conclusion was that some Palestinians had Jewish DNA and that there was even a group that had a DNA chromosome showing that they were descendants of the "Cohens", priests of the ancient temple and synagogues of the Jews.

This study was confirmed several years later by **Dr. Eran Elhaik** and his associates at the McKusick-Nathans Institute of Genetic Medicine (John Hopkins University, School of Genetic Medicine), although he was primarily concerned with the Khazar ancestry of many Azkenazi Jews. Khazaria was a large empire in southern Russia that converted to Judaism in the eighth century.

That finding is also supported by Tel Aviv University professor of History **Shlomo Sand** in his 2007 book, "The Invention of the Jewish People," which caused a stir in Israel.

In this book, Sand quotes **David Ben Gurion**, the first Prime Minister of modern Israel, who publicly and in writing acknowledged that <u>the original</u> <u>Jews of Palestine had converted to Islam in the 7th and 8th centuries and had</u> <u>never left their homeland</u>.

Ben-Gurion then stated: "The Fellahin (the Palestinian people) are not descendants of the Arab conquerors who took over 'Eretz Israel' (the Land of Israel) and Syria in the 7th century (AD). The Arabs did not exterminate the ordinary population they found in the country. They only expelled the foreign Byzantine rulers, but left the local population untouched."

An article from the Daily Mail on May 4, 2013 reported that a documentary by Jewish producer **Ilan Ziv**, in which he also exposed these matters, was narrowly canceled by the BBC in the United Kingdom. This information is apparently too sensitive and puts a damper on Zionist efforts to "repatriate" the world's expelled Jews to modern Israel.

Those who want to know more about the "Palestinian cause" could read the English-language book by Israeli author **Ilan Pappé**, entitled "The Ethnic Cleansing of Palestine." Pappé currently holds a chair in History at the University of Exeter in England and has written several books about the peoples of the Middle East.

It is clear that both DNA research and the historical findings of scientists show that there are Jews in the Palestinian people and an infusion of Khazars among the Israelis. You can only wonder whether the percentage of Chazars in Azkenazi Jewry that they claim is indeed 90% or (much) less, is still the question in my opinion. It is notable that at the beginning of the last century there were only 500,000 Sephardic Jews, while the number of Azkenazi Jews exceeded 11,000,000, which is considerably more.

R. Schaap

<u>Scapegoating the Jews – By Darryl</u> <u>Eberhart</u>



This article confirms what I have been teaching on this website, namely the great satanic worldwide conspiracy to lead people to worship the Image of the Beast is not primarily led by Jews or Zionists, but by the Vatican and the Jesuit Order. The Jesuits and their co-conspirators are using the Jewish people as scapegoats to blame them for the evils they themselves are doing!

I believe the primary source of antisemitism or hatred of Jews is the Roman Catholic Church. Throughout the centuries the RCC killed not only Bible believers, but millions of Jews as well. I was raised Catholic and heard only negative things about the Jewish people from the Catholic nuns in elementary school.

Antisemitism or hatred of any ethnic group of people is not of God. A true follower of Jesus Christ does *not* hate anyone!

Matthew 5:44 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

If we're supposed to love even our enemies, how can we hate someone we don't even know?

This article from Darryl Eberhart has all his emphasis because I took it from https://web.archive.org/web/20100125185129/http://toughissues.org/handoutsnew /Scapegoating%20the%20Jews%20Handout.htm.

"Scapegoating the Jews"

By Darryl Eberhart, Editor of ETI & TTT // Website: www.toughissues.org

A 4-Page Handout // All emphasis is mine unless otherwise stated. //

DEFINITIONS (hopefully in alphabetical order):

"Blood libel" (Per Wikipedia): "<u>Blood libels</u> are <u>false</u> and <u>sensationalized</u> allegations that a person or group engages in human sacrifice, often accompanied by the claim that the blood of the victims is used in various rituals and/or acts of cannibalism. The alleged victims are often children." (Per Wikipedia; <u>as applied to Jews</u>): "<u>Blood libels</u> against Jews are <u>false</u> accusations that Jews use human blood in certain aspects of their religious rituals and holidays."

"Communism" (Per "Webster's New World College Dictionary"; Fourth Edition; 2006; first two meanings): "1 any economic theory or system based on the ownership of all property by the community as a whole 2 [often C-] a) a hypothetical stage of socialism, as formulated by Marx, Engels, Lenin, and others, to be characterized by a classless and stateless society and the equal distribution of economic goods, and to be achieved by revolutionary and dictatorial, rather than by gradualistic, means b) the form of government of various, esp. former, socialist states which profess to be working toward this stage by means of state planning and control of the economy, a one-party political structure, and an emphasis on the requirements of the state rather than on individual liberties: cf. SOCIALISM..."

"Freemason" (Per "Webster's New World College Dictionary"; Fourth Edition; 2006): "a member of an international secret society having as its principles brotherliness, charity, and mutual aid..."

"Freemasonry" (Per "Webster's New World College Dictionary"; Fourth Edition; 2006; first two meanings): "1 the principles, rituals, etc. of Freemasons 2 the Freemasons..."

"Freemasonry" (Per I.A. Sadler, author of the book "Mystery, Babylon the Great"; 2003; Pages 175-181): "Freemasonry is another branch of the Babylonian Mysteries, which has survived under different names from the time of the fall of open pagan worship in the 5th century. ...Freemasonry is just as ripe for manipulation by the JESUITS and the CHURCH OF ROME, that it may be used for the purposes of ROME, as any Protestant denomination. [Ed.: Freemasonry has been manipulated by the Jesuits for many decades.] ...In Britain and the USA, Freemasonry appears as a 'Christian' organization. However, this is a most dangerous pretense, for the true god of Freemasonry is Lucifer, who is Satan appearing as an angel of light. ...Both Freemasonry and the CHURCH OF ROME [Ed.: at their highest levels] worship the same god... Masonic ceremonies implicitly deny the sufficiency of Scripture. ...[Ed.: Freemasonry] is particularly strong in many Baptist churches in the USA... Those in the lower levels of Freemasonry know nothing about the higher and even more secretive degrees."

(NOTE: The Jesuit Superior General controls the highest levels of Freemasonry. American historian James Parton tells us: "...If you trace up Masonry, through all its Orders, till you come to the grand tip-top, head Mason of the World, you will discover that the dread individual and the Chief of the Society of Jesus [Ed.: i.e., the Jesuit Superior General] are <u>one and</u> <u>the same person</u>.")

"French Revolution, The" (Per Darryl Eberhart, Editor of ETI & TTT): "The bloody French Revolution of 1789-1799 was planned, fomented, and orchestrated by a <u>JESUIT</u>-front group called the 'Illuminati" [whom some folks <u>falsely</u> believe is a Jewish-founded and Jewish-led group]. The 'Illuminati' had been set up on May 1, 1776 by <u>JESUIT</u> Adam Weishaupt – a man who had taught Roman Catholic Canon Law at <u>JESUIT</u> Ingolstadt College in Bavaria (southern Germany)."

"Illuminati" (Per Darryl Eberhart, Editor of ETI & TTT): "The modern version of the Illuminati [whom some folks <u>falsely</u> believe is a Jewish-led group] was formed on May 1, 1776 by <u>JESUIT</u> Adam Weishaupt, who had previously taught Roman Catholic Canon Law at <u>JESUIT</u> Ingolstadt College in Bavaria (southern Germany). <u>JESUIT</u> Adam Weishaupt <u>pretended</u> to leave the <u>JESUIT ORDER</u> so that he could set up a <u>JESUIT</u> front group called the 'Illuminati'. This <u>JESUIT</u> front group, the Illuminati, planned, fomented, and orchestrated the bloody French Revolution of 1789-1799. By using this Illuminati <u>front group</u>, the <u>JESUIT ORDER</u> was given a great degree of 'plausible deniability' about the key role that it had played in the French Revolution."

"International Banksters" (Per Darryl Eberhart, Editor of ETI & TTT): "'International Banksters' is an expression that I use to describe the <u>Jesuit</u>-controlled financial cabal that controls the leaders and governments of many of the nations on this planet. Some people <u>allege</u> that 'the Jews' run international banking; however, my research has shown me that <u>Jesuit</u>controlled Papal Rome is by far the number one financial entity in the world! (<u>Jesuit</u>-controlled Papal Rome rules the financial world through the Vatican's banking and financial interests – in Rome, throughout Europe, and in the USA – and through the wealthy <u>Jesuit</u>-controlled Knights of Malta Order.)

Dr. Stanley Monteith, on page 58 of his book 'Brotherhood of Darkness' (2000), tells us: '...Some sincere people believe that the Jews, or the Jewish bankers, are behind the world conspiracy. There are many clues that lead people to that conclusion, but I can assure you that the evidence has been <u>planted</u> to <u>divert attention away from the truth</u>.'

Indeed, some folks like to point to the Rothschild banking dynasty as proof that 'the Jews' run international banking; however, one of the titles of the Rothschilds, according to author F. Tupper Saussy, is 'Guardians of the <u>Vatican</u> Treasury'! Some folks would argue that the Rothschilds should be labeled as 'Court Jews' of Papal Rome.

Some would also argue that the Knights Templar Order was the first international banking cabal – at least on the European continent. It is worth noting that when the Knights Templar Order was suppressed, the Knights of Malta (a Roman Catholic religious-military order) 'absorbed' some of the <u>great wealth</u> of the Knights Templar. Many of the world's richest bankers have been <u>Jesuit</u>-controlled Knights of Malta.

The <u>Jesuit</u>-controlled international banksters have helped to <u>foment</u> and

<u>bankroll</u> many of the revolutions and wars of the last 3 to 4 centuries – and in the process have <u>profited</u> nicely from the <u>murder</u> of <u>millions</u> of people."

"Jesuit Order, The" (Per Darryl Eberhart, Editor of ETI & TTT): "The Jesuit Order was founded in 1534 by Ignatius of Loyola, and was officially approved as a religious order of the Roman Catholic Church by Pope Paul III in 1540. The primary goals of this order are (1) to roll back the Protestant Reformation and the freedoms that it brought to many of the inhabitants of this planet; (2) to enhance the power and prestige of the Papacy (and its 'White Pope'); and, (3) to rule despotically over the governments of the world through the Papacy. The head of the Jesuit Order is the Jesuit Superior General – the 'Black Pope' – the real power behind the Papal throne. The Jesuit Superior General is also the master of all these: his Jesuit Order, the Knights of Malta, the Knights of Columbus, and the highest levels of <u>Freemasonry</u> – and of all that he controls through these powerful and influential organizations. The Jesuit Order is infamous for fomenting revolutions and wars, assassinating heads of State, and subverting nations. I believe that it is almost impossible to understand European history and Church history without a good understanding of the Protestant Reformation and the Jesuit-led Counter-Reformation."

"Knights of Malta" (Per Darryl Eberhart, Editor of ETI & TTT): "The Jesuitcontrolled Knights of Malta is a Roman Catholic religious-military order headquartered in Rome with, and under the command of, the Jesuit Superior General, the 'Black Pope'. Much of the wealth of the Knights Templar Order, when it was suppressed in 1312, was given to the Knights of Malta. Many Jesuit-controlled Knights of Malta have held top-level positions in various governments, in the world's foremost intelligence agencies, in international banking, and in the publishing world. A number of Jesuit-controlled Knights of Malta continue to hold such positions. According to author and researcher Eric Jon Phelps, the following heads of the Central Intelligence Agency were all Knights of Malta: William Donovan (head of the OSS – the predecessor to the CIA), Allen Dulles (who was also a high-level Freemason), John McCone, William Casey, William Colby, George Tenet, and Leon Panetta."

"New World Order, The" (Per Darryl Eberhart, Editor of ETI & TTT): "The New World Order (N.W.O.) is basically the 'blueprint' for ruling the world via a one-world economy, one-world government, and one-world religion. The real master of this coming N.W.O., who may continue to operate from behind the scenes, is the 'Black Pope' (i.e., the Jesuit Superior General). Since he controls his own powerful Jesuit Order, the wealthy Knights of Malta, the top levels of Freemasonry, and the Papacy itself, he is clearly the most powerful man in the world today. The one-world religion will most likely be headed by the Roman Pontiff, though the 'Black Pope' will continue to be the <u>real power</u> <u>behind the papal throne</u> – as he has been for centuries. When the 'game plan' for the N.W.O. is fully implemented, freedom of religion, freedom of speech, and freedom of assembly – as well as the Right to keep and bear firearms – will all be relics of the past. <u>No</u> dissent will be tolerated, and dissenters will be <u>terminated</u> with 'extreme prejudice'. One of the first acts of this N.W.O. will be the launching of another modern-day [Papal] Inquisition."

"Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion, The" (Per Brad and Sherry Steiger;

"Conspiracies and Secret Societies: The Complete Dossier"; 2006; Visible Ink Press; Pages 374 and 372): "'The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion', it would seem, is an amalgam of <u>plagiarized political pamphlets</u>, <u>fictional</u> <u>documents</u>, and various <u>inflammatory works</u> – many of which in their original context did <u>NOT</u> even concern themselves with Jews but were attacks on <u>Jesuits</u>. (Page 374)

(Note from James: former Catholic priest Leo H. Lehmann says the <u>Protocols of</u> the <u>Elders of Zion were written by Jesuit priests!</u> In that sense it's a forgery. It's also scapegoating the Jews because what the Protocols have to say actually became reality and the Jews are blamed for it! There are two articles on this website about the probable Jesuit authorship of the Protocols:

<u>Authors of the Protocols of the Elders of Zion – Jews? Or Jesuits!</u>

<u>Evidence of Jesuit authorship of the Protocols of the Learned Elders of</u> <u>Zion</u>)r

...In the opinions of some researchers, 'The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion' may truly be the 'Mother of All Anti-Semite Conspiracies'. No matter how often the work is proved to be a <u>forgery</u>, some conspiracy theorists will continue to cite the 'Protocols' as proof that an international group of Jewish bankers is plotting to take over the world. (Page 372)"

"P-2 Masonry" (Per John Daniel, author of the book, "The Grand Design Exposed"; 1999; Page 169): "There is a <u>Masonic</u> Propaganda group, number two...known as the 'P-2 Club', with its headquarters being in <u>Rome</u>. ...The P-2 Club is a propaganda society of the world's elite which includes high-ranking <u>Roman Catholic prelates</u> and, of course, <u>Jesuits</u>."

"Russian Revolution" (Per "Webster's New World College Dictionary"; Fourth Edition; 2006): "1 the revolution of 1917 in which the government of the czar was overthrown: it consisted of two distinct revolutions, the first ('February Revolution') being the uprising of March (February, Old Style [Ed.: calendar]), in which a parliamentarian government headed by Kerensky came to power, the second ('October Revolution') being the uprising of November (October, Old Style), in which this government was replaced by the Soviet government led by the Bolsheviks (Communists) under Lenin 2 sometimes, the October Revolution alone"

Ed. Comment to the preceding definition: We are told by some folks that "the Jews" financed the Russian (or, Bolshevik) Revolution. Please carefully consider the following quotation:

"Another point [that] is made [Ed.: to convince us that the Jews, or the Jewish bankers, are our enemy is] that Jacob Schiff provided \$20 million to finance the Bolshevik Revolution. ...Did Jacob Schiff really help the <u>Bolsheviks</u>? Because of the progressive dumbing-down of our people, most Americans don't realize that there were <u>two</u> Russian revolutions. The first revolution was in March 1917 (or February if you use the old Russian calendar); the second [Ed.: Russian Revolution] was in October of that same year. ...The March [1917] revolution began in St. Petersburg when a contingent of military recruits refused to fire on anti-government demonstrators. ...The Czar was forced to abdicate. Alexander Kerensky was chosen to lead Russia until elections could be held. When it became obvious that he intended to continue the war, the German High Command approached Lenin, who was living in Switzerland. ...They offered him money and transportation to go to Russia to overthrow Kerensky.

...During World War I, the American State Department was responsible for collecting intelligence information. Their files confirm the fact that Jacob Schiff opposed the czar, and after Kerensky had taken power, Jacob Schiff sent Kerensky a telegram congratulating him – but the Bolshevik Revolution <u>didn't</u> take place <u>until seven months **later**</u>. ...When he [Ed.: i.e., author Antony Sutton] examined the State Department's intelligence files, he found evidence that Jacob Schiff <u>opposed</u> the Bolsheviks, and encouraged our State Department to oppose them.

...The document [Ed.: i.e., 'The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion'] first appeared in Russia in 1905; it claimed that Zionists were behind the wars and revolutions of the 19th century, and planned to seize control of the world. Many Russians believed 'The Protocols', and they began to persecute the Jews and [to] destroy their property. When the czar refused to intervene, Jacob Schiff began plotting to depose him. He provided revolutionary literature to the Russian soldiers captured by the Japanese during the Russo-Japanese War in 1905...It is even possible that some of the soldiers who participated in the March [1917] revolution read Jacob Schiff's literature, so he may have played a part in inciting the March [1917] revolution, but that was *not* the Bolshevik Revolution [Ed.: which occurred seven months **later**]. When Antony Sutton researched the State Department intelligence files, he found documents showing that English and American financiers provided funding for the Bolsheviks, but that fact is <u>never</u> mentioned today. Could it be that the story of Jacob Schiff's \$20 million gift to the Bolsheviks was contrived to divert attention away from the real source of their funding?" - Dr. Stanley Monteith ("Brotherhood of Darkness"; Pages 60-62)

"Scapegoat" (Per "Webster's New World College Dictionary"; Fourth Edition; 2006): [noun]: **"2** a person, group, or thing upon whom the blame for the mistakes or crimes of <u>others</u> is thrust – [verb]: to make a scapegoat of."

SCAPEGOATING THE JEWS: "The Jews" have often been <u>falsely</u> accused throughout the centuries of "blood libel" (i.e., using human blood in various religious rituals), of desecrating and torturing Roman Catholic Eucharistic wafers (i.e., the bread <u>allegedly</u> "transubstantiated" into the body of Christ during the Roman Catholic Mass), and even of causing "the Black Death" (i.e., probably the bubonic plague) in Europe and Asia in the 14th century. Simon Wiesenthal, on page 14 of his book, "Every Day Remembrance Day: A Chronicle of Jewish Martyrdom", sums up well this "blame the Jews for all evil" syndrome: "Hatred of the Jews grew as they came to be regarded as the cause of every catastrophe – if there was too much rain or too little, if the harvest was poor, earthquakes, floods, fire, famine, lightning, the plague, everything was laid at the door of the Jews; even though as many Jews were

among the victims of such catastrophes as the rest of the population, the Jews were responsible for all calamities."

In recent centuries, "Jews" have been accused of fomenting wars and revolutions; of creating Communism and Freemasonry; of conspiring to rule the world; of running Hollywood, the American mainstream media, and the U.S. government (via Jewish "neo-conservatives"); and of running International and U.S. banking.

The <u>false</u> accusations about Jewish "blood libel" started with the Greeks and Romans. Later, the Roman Catholic Church and the Orthodox Church used these false "blood libel" accusations against Jews, which often led to bloody massacres of European Jews. The only "evidence" presented in these <u>false</u> accusations of Jewish "blood libel" was testimony obtained from Jews who had been <u>tortured</u>! Ignored in all this are the commands found in the Old Testament <u>forbidding</u> Jews from consuming blood! Equally "ridiculous" is the idea that Jews steal Roman Catholic Eucharistic wafers in order to "torture" a piece of bread that has <u>allegedly</u> become "Jesus Christ" – yet this <u>allegation</u> has in the past been made against Jews by Roman Catholics– often leading to massacres of Jews!

<u>Who</u> is the "guilty party" for fomenting wars and revolutions? It's <u>not</u> the Jews! Please consider these quotes:

(1) "It is my opinion that if the liberties of this country – the United States of America – are <u>destroyed</u>, it will be by the subtlety of the Roman Catholic **Jesuit** priests, for they are the most crafty, dangerous <u>enemies</u> to <u>civil and religious liberty</u>. They have <u>instigated most of the wars of</u> <u>Europe</u>." – Marquis de Lafayette (1757-1834)

(2) "This [Ed.: <u>American Civil</u>] <u>war</u> would never have been possible without the <u>sinister influence</u> of the **Jesuits**. We owe it to **popery** that we now see our land reddened with the blood of her noblest sons." – Abraham Lincoln

(3) "The public is practically unaware of the overwhelming responsibility carried by the Vatican and its Jesuits in the starting of <u>two world wars</u>..." – Edmond Paris ("The Secret History of the Jesuits"; 1975; Page 9)

The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion has been used for several centuries to try to convince folks of an <u>alleged</u> "Jewish conspiracy" to rule the world. Yet the Protocols were originally written in France as a satire that accused the **Jesuits** – <u>not</u> the Jews – of lusting for world domination! But the Jesuits "edited" the Protocols so that *"the Jews"* were <u>substituted</u> in the place of the **Jesuits** as the conspirators who are lusting after world domination!

To find out <u>who</u> controls international banking, the international intelligence community, the highest levels of Freemasonry, Hollywood, the American mainstream media, etc., please read the last 3 articles listed below in #1 of "For Further Research"; and <u>especially</u> read the 1836-page book, "Vatican Assassins", by Eric Jon Phelps. (<u>Hint</u>: It's <u>not</u> the Jews! Rather, the "real controllers" are the agents of **Papal Rome** – especially agents of the Jesuit Order!)

FOR FURTHER RESEARCH (on the topic of "blaming Jews" – and also on <u>related</u> topics, such as <u>genocide</u>):

- Read these following articles on <u>www.toughissues.org</u>: "Multiple-Choice Quiz #1", "Bloody Hands & Wicked Hearts", "The Real Controllers", "Simply Amazing", and "The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion".
- 2. Purchase a copy of the book, "The Secret History of the Jesuits", by Edmond Paris by calling **1-909-987-0771**.
- 3. Purchase a copy of the 58-minute DVD, *"Innocents Betrayed"*, by JPFO by calling **1-800-869-1884**.
- 4. Watch the 58-minute DVD, *"The Inquisition"*, on the <u>Berean Beacon</u> <u>website</u>.
- 5. Do a "google-style" search on the Internet for the following books: "The History and Sociology of Genocide" by Frank Chalk and Kurt Jonassohn, "Death by Government" by R.J. Rummel, "The Vatican's Holocaust" by Avro Manhattan, "Hitler's Pope: The Secret History of Pius XII" by John Cornwell, "The Popes Against the Jews" by David I. Kertzer, "Every Day Remembrance Day: A Chronicle of Jewish Martyrdom" by Simon Wiesenthal, and "Our Hands Are Stained with Blood: The Tragic Story of the 'Church' and the Jewish People" by Michael L. Brown.

<u>"What is the Roman Catholic Church-</u> <u>State?" – By Darryl Eberhart</u>



One of the top goals of the Roman Catholic Church-State is the elimination of its competition! That is why for many centuries it has waged relentless war.

Roman Catholicism By Lorraine Boettner

Chapter III The Priesthood



There is no priesthood in the New Testament. Christ is our priest, not a man on the earth. Hebrews 3:1b "…consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;"

Evidence for the Resurrection Part II



Absolute proofs that the resurrection of Christ was an historical event.

The Root Of Antisemitism



Foreword from the Webmaster:

As Christians, we should not support Zionist Antichrist Israel, but neither should we hate the Jews as a people! The Apostle Paul loved his people the Jews and went out of his way to preach the Gospel to them. I believe all antisemitism comes from non-Christians, those who don't know true salvation by grace in Jesus Christ.

This article is from the Converted Catholic Magazine of which former Roman Catholic priest, Leo Herbert Lehmann (also known as L.H. Lehmann) is the editor. It was first put online in PDF format by the <u>LutheranLibrary.org</u>.

IT HAS BEEN ESTIMATED that after the war the Jewish people in Europe, as a result of wholesale slaughter by the Nazi-Fascists, will be so reduced in numbers that they will never recover from their losses. Germany, even if it loses 20 percent of its population, can make up for its losses in another generation. But not the Jews.

This wholesale extermination of a people in the twentieth century, simply because of their religious background, is something that both Protestants and Catholics have much to be concerned about. For anti-Semitism is a religious problem, intimately bound up with the most fundamental belief of Christians. It stems from the death of Christ, the central and essential point of Christian soteriology. **It is only in Protestant countries since the Reformation that Jews have ceased to be regarded as the 'scapegoat' for the responsibility and blame in connection with the crucifixion of Jesus Christ**. Even in the United States, while the ruthless slaughter of Jews has been taking place in Europe, the Catholic press has kept up this accusation that the Jews killed Christ – as the picture (below), syndicated by the American Catholic hierarchy's official N.C.W.C. News Service, shows. Implicit in this false accusation is an "explanation" of the horrors being meted out to Jews in Nazi-occupied Europe at that time.



It must seem impossible to Jews, and to Christians themselves if they give time to consider it, that the same death of Christ on the cross could bring the inestimable gift of salvation to one section of the human race, and at the same time be made the curse of another. Yet it has been officially pronounced by the Popes of Rome for centuries that the death of Christ forever made the Jews actual slaves of Christians whom the death of Christ made free. Here is how the great Pope Innocent III, and other popes for centuries after him, put it:¹

"Although Christian piety tolerates the Jews, whose own fault commits them to perpetual slavery... they must not be allowed to remain ungrateful to us in such a way as to repay us with contumely for favors and contempt for our familiarity... As they are reprobate slaves of the Lord, in whose death they evilly conspired (at least by the effect of the deed), let them acknowledge themselves as slaves of those whom the death of Christ made free."

It must first be asked, is this true Christian teaching? Did Christ so plan that one part of the human race would be saved and made free and another part be made the slaves of those thus freed – all by one and the same act of his saving work? This teaching was dogmatized into the history of Europe by the Popes of Rome up till the time of the Protestant Reformation, and is the root cause of the slaughter of millions of innocent Jewish people that has taken place under Nazi-Fascist domination of Europe during the past five years. It must further be remembered that this ruthless slaughter was carried out by the Nazi-Fascist regimes to which the Vatican allied itself by solemn concordats – and to which it remains allied to this date. But it is not, and could never be, true Christian teaching.

The Protestant Reformation, out of which came democratic freedoms and equality before God of all human beings, put an end to this Roman Catholic teaching and established it so that the Jews, even while remaining Jews by race and religion, are the equal of Christians in their right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. It is thus that Jesus Christ himself would have it, so that by justice, equality, love and kindness, the Jews might eventually be led to accept Jesus Christ as their Savior. Christ himself was born a Jew and all his apostles and followers were Jews. He was put to death by Roman soldiers after sentence by a Roman judge. The priests of the Jewish religion - who played politics with the officials of the Roman government over the heads of their people, much as the Vatican does today conspired to have Jesus put to death by the Romans. "It is not lawful for us to put any man to death," they told Pilate (John 18:31). But the Jewish people had no more to do with it than the Roman Catholic people in America have had to do with the political intrigues of the Vatican with Hitler, Mussolini, Franco and other Fascist dictators.

Saint Paul was a Jew, though he claimed Roman citizenship. He taught no such doctrine that Jews were the slaves of Christians because they conspired in the death of Christ. In his desire to bring all to Christ he declared (Gal. 3:28): "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." But that was before the Romans took over control of the Christian church and established their juridical concepts of 'interdict', 'delict,' and hierarchical authority.

Jesus Christ died to save all who truly accept him as Savior. He died to set all men free, and by his death could have enslaved no one. No true Christian, grateful for having been made free himself by the death of Christ, could ever bring himself to believe that the act that made him free made his Jewish neighbor his slave. But it is only in predominantly Protestant countries that Jews have been able to exercise their equal rights with Christians before the law.

The solution of the problem of anti-Semitism awaits official recognition of similar rights for Jews from the Roman Catholic church and governments of Roman Catholic countries.

1. cf. Migne, Patrologia, Vol. 27, p. 1291. For other decrees of the Popes against the Jews, see our pamphlet: "How the Popes Treated the Jews." [Available from LutheranLibrary.org –Ed]↔

The Third Temple Deception



A third temple would be an abomination. It would be blasphemous to build a temple. Why? Are you saying that the blood of Jesus isn't good enough anymore?

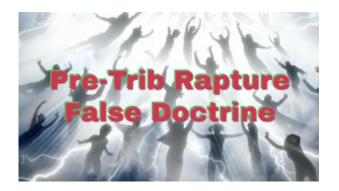
<u>Why Do Jews Not Believe Jesus As</u> <u>Messiah?</u>



A man asks, Why Do Jews Not Believe Jesus As Messiah? I need an answer from the Jews themselves.

<u>The Danger of Belief in a Pre-</u>

Tribulation Rapture



If events go against what we believe the Bible says will happen, it's not because the Bible is wrong, it means our interpretation of Bible prophecy was wrong.

<u>True Christianity Vs Evangelical</u> <u>Zionism</u>



Pharisaic Judaism's influence on evangelical Christian leaders which has had a detrimental effect on churches, especially in America

Famous Jews Against Zionism



"Zionism is a nationalist movement that emerged in the 19th century to enable the establishment of a homeland for the Jewish people in Palestine." Source – Wikipedia

Some Orthodox Jews are against Zionism:

The anti-Zionist world-view of the ultra-Orthodox groups Neturei Karta and Satmar Hasidism perceives Zionism and the establishment of the State of Israel as an anti-messianic act, conceived and born from sin. These groups vigorously deny the very legitimacy of the collective political return to the Holy Land and to Jewish sovereignty. For them, this is the handiwork of humans, violating the Jewish people's oath of political quietism." Source – https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/ultra-orthodox-anti-zionis t/

Not only Orthodox Jews but also many secular Jews are *also* against Zionism! And it turns out there's a movement called <u>International Jewish Anti-Zionist</u> <u>Network (IJAN)</u>. The "<u>Who We Are</u>" page on its website says,

IJAN is an international network of Jews who are uncompromisingly committed to struggles for human survival and emancipation, of which the liberation of the Palestinian people and land is an indispensable part. We are committed to the right of return for Palestinian refugees and to ending Israeli colonization of historic Palestine, which is reinforced by US economic and military power. We support full Palestinian self-determination and the right to resist occupation. We look to the Palestinian grassroots and Palestinian-led organizations as our primary points of reference in this struggle.

Anti-zionism is not the same thing as antisemitism. Antisemitism is hostility and prejudice directed against Jewish people. I do not have any such hostility toward the Jewish people. When I was a teenager in Chicago, I had a Jewish friend, Rodney Martell. It's wrong to have prejudice against any people. I'm against racism. I believe racism is connected to Darwinian evolution, the notion that certain ethnic groups are lower in the evolutionary scale than others, especially lower than white people. That's what Hitler believed. It justified his genocide against Jews, Gypsies, and even non-German white people he didn't like such as Slavic nations, Poles, Serbs and Russians. I've been a minority white guy most of my life having lived 40 years in Japan, 5 years in Guam, and am now living in the Philippines. I'm thankful to never have felt any racial discrimination toward me ever in spite of the fact of being part of an ethnic minority living outside mainland USA.

In the early 1990s, many young Israelis visited Japan. I used to love talking with them about their lives in Israel and their views on the Palestinian people. And of course I tried to share with them the Gospel. Saved born again true Christians do not hate Jews as a people! The Bible says,

1 Peter 2:17 Honour all men...

To be an anti-zionist is to be against a political movement, not a people. Here's a compilation of quotes from Jewish people who spoke out against Zionism, some of whom I didn't know to be Jews.

Sigmund Freud:

"I concede with sorrow that the baseless fanaticism of our people is in part to be blamed for the awakening of Arab distrust. I can raise no sympathy at all for the misdirected piety which transforms a piece of a Herodian wall into a national relic, thereby offending the feelings of the natives."

Albert Einstein:

"The (Israeli) state idea is not according to my heart. I cannot understand why it is needed. It is connected with many difficulties and a narrowmindedness. I believe it is bad."

Erich Fromm, social psychologist:

"The claim of the Jews to the Land of Israel cannot be a realistic political claim. If all nations would suddenly claim territories in which their forefathers lived two thousand years ago, this world would be a madhouse."

Isaac Asimov, novelist:

"I find myself in the odd position of not being a Zionist … I think it is wrong for anyone to feel that there is anything special about any one heritage of whatever kind. It is delightful to have the human heritage exist in a thousand varieties, for it makes for greater interest, but as soon as one variety is thought to be more important than another, the groundwork is laid for destroying them all."

Hannah Arendt, political scientist:

"The trouble is that Zionism has often thought and said that the evil of antisemitism was necessary for the good of the Jewish people. In the words of a well-known Zionist in a letter to me discussing the original Zionist argumentation: 'The antisemites want to get rid of the Jews, the Jewish State wants to receive them, a perfect match.' "

Note: History and observation tells me the main source of antisemitism is the Roman Catholic Church. I heard lots of antisemitic rhetoric from Catholic nuns when I was a kid going to parochial school. By the way, Hannah Arendt was no relation to me. I was raised a Catholic.

Henry Ford was was deeply antisemitic, making him a hero of Hitler and the Nazis. I believe one reason for Ford's antisemitism was because he read the Protocols of the Elders of Zion. But according to former Roman Catholic priest Leo H, Lehmann, <u>The Protocols of the Elders of Zion was written by</u> <u>Jesuits</u> to shift the blame on what they are doing to the Jews!

Richard Cohen, US columnist:

"The greatest mistake Israel could make at the moment is to forget that Israel itself is a mistake ... the idea of creating a nation of European Jews in an area of Arab Muslims (and some Christians) has produced a century of warfare and terrorism of the sort we are seeing now. Israel fights Hezbollah in the north and Hamas in the south, but its most formidable enemy is history itself."

Noam Chomsky:

"In the Occupied Territories, what Israel is doing is much worse than apartheid. To call it apartheid is a gift to Israel, at least if by "apartheid" you mean South African-style apartheid. What's happening in the Occupied Territories is much worse."

John Hagee vs. the Bible



Millions of Christians today, especially American Christians, have been deceived by false doctrines of dispensationalism formulated by John Nelson Darby in the 19th century that say God has two covenant peoples, the Church and Israel. Dispensationalism rejects the longstanding teaching that there is one church that consists of both old covenant saints and new covenant saints. Dispensationalism rejects the teaching that old covenant Israel was the church and that, in the new covenant, God grafts believing Gentiles into that same church (Rom. 11:17–24).

Dispensationalism is a false unbiblical doctrine! The Book of Hebrews clearly says God will give the house of Israel a *new* covenant, the *same covenant* the Church is under, the covenant of grace through the belief that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God Who died for our sins and was resurrected on the third day.

Hebrews 8:10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people: 11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest. 12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more. 13 In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

Darby's doctrines of dispensationalism became popular because it was promoted by C.I.Scofield and his reference Bible. It was further promoted by the Dallas Theological Seminary It led to so-called "Christian Zionism" and the promotion of the restoration of the Jews in Palestine which has resulted in the bloodshed in Gaza we see today! And why do Christian Zionists want to promote the State of Israel? Because they believe Israel has a role in the end time to bring about the return of Christ! They believe the Antichrist will make a deal with Israel and the Muslims creating peace so that the Jews can rebuild their temple to renew animal sacrifices. They believe the Church will be raptured to heaven just before that happens. They believe that three and a half years later the Antichrist will set up his image in the temple, tell everyone to worship it, and have all those who don't killed. They believe Jesus will return three and a half years later with his raptured saints to fight the Antichrist and his people in the battle of Armageddon. All these doctrines are *false*! They are all based on the erroneous interpretation of Daniel chapters 9, 11, Matthew 24, and the Book of Revelation. I wrote extensively about this subject on this website.

If this surprises you, it's because you have been influenced by popular dispensational preachers today who promote Christian Zionism. One of the loudest and most influential Christian Zionist preachers is pastor John Hagee.

"John Charles Hagee (born April 12, 1940) is the founder and Senior Pastor of Cornerstone Church in San Antonio, Texas, a nondenominational evangelical church with more than 22,000 active members. He founded John Hagee Ministries, which telecasts to the United States and Canada. He is also the founder and chairman of the Christian Zionist organization Christians United for Israel." – Source Wikipedia and Hagee Ministries website.

Let's compare what John Hagee teaches to what the Bible says:

"I'm not trying to convert the Jewish people to the Christian faith. . . trying to convert Jews is a waste of time. The Jewish person with his roots in Judaism is not going to convert to Christianity" (Houston Chronicle, Apr. 30, 1988)

"The first rule adopted by Christians United for Israel was that there would be no proselytizing at our events. CUFI exists only to honor and support the Jewish people, never to convert them" (Hagee, "Why Christian Zionists Really Support Israel," May 13, 2010).

On the day just before Jesus ascended back to Heaven, He told His disciples:

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Witnesses to whom in Jerusalem and Judaea? To the Jews!

Acts 2:5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

Peter preached the Gospel in Acts chapter 2 to those Jews.

Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

Those 3000 souls who were saved were all Jews! Jesus clearly told His disciples to share the Gospel with them!

Hagee says,

"I'm delighted to present my latest book, "In Defense of Israel." This book will expose the sins of the fathers in the vicious abuse of the Jewish people. "In Defense of Israel" will shake Christian theology. It Scripturally proves that **the Jewish people, as a** whole, did not reject Jesus as Messiah. It will also prove that Jesus did not come to Earth to be the Messiah. It will prove that there was a Calvary conspiracy between Rome, the high priest and Herod to execute Jesus as an insurrectionist too dangerous to live. Since Jesus refused by word and deed to claim to be the Messiah, how can the Jews be blamed for rejecting what was never offered?" (also declared on p. 145 of the book)

Anybody who believes that statement by Hagee doesn't read their Bible! Even a Sunday School kid should be able to disprove Hagee's heretical statements. Jesus identified Himself to the Samaritan woman at the well as the Messiah.

John 4:25 The woman saith unto him, I know that **Messias** cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell us all things. 26 Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am he.

In the KJV, the word Messiah is found twice in the Old Testament in Daniel 9:25 and 26. The spelling variation of Messiah in the New Testament is Messias. Besides John 4:25 it's also found in John 1:41.

John 1:41 He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messias, which is, being interpreted, the Christ.

As you can see, both times the name Messias is used, Christ is also used as the Greek meaning of the Hebrew word Messias / Messiah. Messais / Messiah and Christ are synonymous! Christ occurs 60 times in the four Gospels! It occurs 555 times in the entire New Testament! For Hagee to say, "Jesus did not come to Earth to be the Messiah" is the same as saying that Jesus did not come to Earth to be Christ! It's even saying that Jesus is *not* Christ! Does that make John Hagee an antichrist? It does if he denies Jesus is Christ!

Jesus unequivocally told the high priest He is Christ!

Mark 14:61 But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? 62 And Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

Jesus also told it to the elders of the people, the chief priests and the scribes:

Luke 22:66 And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came

together, and led him into their council, saying, 67 Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe: 68 And if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor let me go. 69 Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God. 70 Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am. 71 And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

Jesus identified Himself to the man who was blind from birth who He healed as the Son of God, the Messiah, the Christ.

John 9:35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on **the Son of God?** 36 He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him? 37 And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee.

Hagee says,

"If God intended for Jesus to be the Messiah of Israel, why didn't he authorize Jesus to use supernatural signs to prove he was God's Messiah, just as Moses had done?" (p. 137)

The Bible says that God *did* authorize Jesus to use supernatural signs!

Luke 7:20 When the men were come unto him, they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto thee, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another? 21 And in that same hour he cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many that were blind he gave sight. 22 Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the **blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised**, to the poor the gospel is preached.

Hagee says curing the blind, the lame, the lepers, the deaf and raising the dead are not supernatural signs?!

"Jesus refused to produce a sign ... because it was not the Father's will, nor his, to be Messiah." (p 138)

Jesus refused to produce an *immediate sign* to the Pharisees when they demanded one! The fact is Jesus already did many signs!

John 10:31 Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him. 32 Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?

John 20:30 And **many other signs** truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:

"The Jews were not rejecting Jesus as Messiah; it was Jesus who was refusing to be the Messiah to the Jews. . . They wanted him to be their Messiah, but he flatly refused. . . . He refused to be their Messiah, choosing instead to be the Savior of the world." (pp. 140-141, 143)

I hope this convinces you that John Hagee is a false teacher. His book *In Defense of Israel* is rank heresy. If you support the modern state of Israel in its genocide of Palestinians, many of whom are Christians, it means you have their blood on your hands as much as he does.

<u>Christian Zionists Await the Final</u> <u>Battle Against the Palestinians and</u> <u>Iran to Bring on Armageddon and the</u> <u>Rapture</u>



Christian Zionist pastor, John Hagee perceives the state of Israel's establishment and conflict with Palestinians as part of an apocalyptic Endtime scenario, contrary to Christian teachings of love and peace.

American Christian Zionism History, Theology and Implications



The history of American Christian Zionism, why it's bad theology, and how it's used as a political weapon to fulfill the goals of evil selfish people.

<u>The Historical Roots of Christian</u> <u>Zionism, its Theological Basis and</u> <u>Political Agenda</u>



The historical roots, theological basis, and political consequences or political agenda of Christian Zionism

<u>Munther Isaac's Speech: "Palestinian</u> <u>Christian Response to Christian</u> <u>Zionism" In Text Format</u>



Christian Zionism has ignored us Palestinian Christians at best, demonized us at worst. Whenever they speak about prophecy and Israel it is as if we don't exist!

An Open Letter to U.S. Christians from <u>a Palestinian Pastor</u>



By Dr. Munther Isaac

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I believe the heretic footnotes in the Scofield Reference Bible and the Dallas Theological Seminary's promotion of the message in those footnotes are to blame for American evangelicals embracing the false doctrines of Christian Zionism. It has led to their support of the antichrist state of Israel which has resulted in the suffering today.

"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!"

Palestine and Israel are back in the news. So again, we Palestinians hear this common refrain. But such calls for prayer are no longer enough. I say this as a Palestinian pastor who believes in prayer, leads prayer services for peace, and genuinely values your good intentions.

But good intentions are not enough.

In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus didn't say, "Blessed are the peace prayers." He said, "Blessed are the peacemakers." (Matthew 5:9, emphasis added).

Peacemakers of every faith pray – and they discern what's really happening, call things by their names, then speak truth to power. Here's how this works.

Call things by their names

Peacemaking begins by refusing to repeat the common descriptor of what is happening in Palestine and Israel: a conflict. Palestinians are not experiencing a conflict between two parties. We Palestinians are experiencing

an occupation: one nation controlling another; the laws, policies, practices, and military of one state oppressing the people of another, controlling nearly every aspect of our lives. Palestinians in Jerusalem are not facing evictions from their homes. They are experiencing ethnic cleansing, which the U.N. has described as "a purposeful policy designed by one ethnic or religious group to remove by violent and terror-inspiring means the civilian population of another ethnic or religious group from certain geographic areas."

Non-Jewish citizens of Israel are not just enduring discrimination. They are experiencing apartheid. Israel's infamous 2018 <u>nation-state law</u> – which, among other things, stated that Israel's right to "exercise national self-determination" is "unique to the Jewish people" – along with other policies and practices, has transformed *de facto* discrimination into racism *de jure*.

The more than 2 million people living in Gaza are not choosing to experience hardship, food deprivation, a lack of clean water, and consistent energy. They are confined to the world's largest open-air prison where – unable to come and go, import and export, or even fish in the open waters off their shore without Israeli permission – Israeli snipers <u>pick off their</u> <u>children</u> and Israel's air force bombs their city indiscriminately.

For over 70 years, Palestinians have not been arguing over who owns what land. No, we have experienced the terror and loss that comes from settler colonialism, the systematic removal and erasure of native inhabitants from their land, most recently in the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood of East Jerusalem.

Calling things by their names is a necessary step toward resolving any conflict. Using the words racism and apartheid may cause pause – but these are the descriptors that define our daily lives.

Do not take our word alone for it.

Read the January <u>report</u> issued by the respected Israeli human rights organization B'tselem, "A regime of Jewish supremacy from the Jordan River to the Mediterranean Sea: This is apartheid." Read the April <u>report</u> from Human Rights Watch, "A Threshold Crossed: Israeli Authorities and the Crimes of Apartheid and Persecution." Read Nathan Thrall's <u>analysis</u> in the London Review of Books.

Until peacemakers use terms that accurately describe our realities, the opportunities for peace remain distant.

Don't misuse Christian-Jewish dialogue

For years, Christian-Jewish dialogue was misused as a tool to silence criticism of Israel. In the 1990s, Jewish theologian Marc H. Ellis <u>wrote</u> about a significant, unspoken "agreement" between Christians and Jews. He observed that the "ecumenical dialogue" between liberal Christians and Jews had turned into what he described as an "ecumenical deal": repentance on the part of Christians for having aided in or having failed to speak out against the atrocities committed by Germany, and the prospect of an ongoing conversation devoid of any substantive criticism of Israel.

While the "deal" has broken down in many Christian denominations in the U.S. and in many quarters of the Jewish community, it is still used to silence Palestinian Christians, labeling us antisemitic when we criticize the state of Israel or speak out against the secular project of Zionism.

It is time Christians begin engaging new Jewish partners. Listen to groups like Jewish Voice for Peace, IfNotNow, B'tselem, Yesh Din, Rabbis for Human Rights, Breaking the Silence, and others who challenge the occupation. Listen to and dialogue with people like Marc H. Ellis, Mark Braverman, Rabbis Brant Rosen and Alissa Wise, and others who defend Palestinian rights out of their Jewish beliefs and convictions. Take the word of Bernie Sanders, who recently challenged the racist policies of the state of Israel.

Reexamine the church's theology

For years, Western Christian theology has been part of the matrix that empowers the Israeli occupation. It's a theology that describes God's unique faithfulness to Israel, the fulfilment of prophecy, and the "return" of Jews to "their" land. Adherents embrace the myth that the land was devoid of people when the state of Israel was created, or worse, that it was occupied by the enemies of God.

It is time for Christians in some communions to confess and repent from their total disregard for the existence of Palestinians. It is time to change the theological narrative that renders the state of Israel invincible to errors and beyond any judgment.

Theology matters. And if any theology trumps the ethical-biblical teachings of Jesus on love, equality, and justice, then we must rethink that theology. If any theology produces apathy to injustice, it must be re-examined.

Don't describe Palestinian Christians' efforts at creative resistance as criminal: We believe the call for sanctions, economic measures, and our nonviolent demonstrations are *justified resistance*. To insist on our dignity and God-given rights in our own land is not antisemitic; even the recent <u>Jerusalem Declaration on Antisemitism</u>, a statment produced by more than 200 scholars of antisemitism and related fields, acknowledges this.

Some have accused Palestinian Christians of hating Jews and of rejecting the right to nationhood for Israel. Though they have gone unacknowledged or been rejected as disingenuous, our statements have clearly rejected antisemitism and racism of any form. Our hope, our desire, is to live side by side with our Jewish neighbors in a reality of a just peace.

My plea to fellow Christians

I call upon you to share — both in word and action — our vision of a reality in which we both end the occupation and live together in peace with our Israeli neighbors.

We do not hate Jews. We do not seek to destroy Israel. We want our freedom. We want to live in dignity in our homeland. We want to live in a reality where all the people of the land, Palestinians and Israelis, Jews, Muslims, and Christians, have the same rights and live under the same laws, regardless of their faith, nationality or ethnicity.

Many years from today, when our descendants look back on the long misery of the Palestinians, they will not judge kindly the willful neglect of the global church. We Palestinian Christians will not let you pretend that you did not know.

You will either take a stand to end the oppression of the Palestinian people or continue to be part of the matrix that allows it. The words of Elie Wiesel in his 1986 Nobel Prize acceptance <u>speech</u> cannot be more true today:

We must always take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented. Sometimes we must interfere. When human lives are endangered, when human dignity is in jeopardy, national borders and sensitivities become irrelevant. Wherever men or women are persecuted because of their race, religion, or political views, that place must — at that moment — become the center of the universe.

<u>The October 2023 Israeli Palestinian</u> <u>War</u>



The modern state of Israel is a creation of the Rothschild family and Hamas is a creation of Israel.

<u>A Biblical Perspective on the Jewish</u>

People



God called and chose Abraham to raise up a people who would live and preach His truth, to create a nation that would love and serve the one true God, and thus become a Godly example