

# **GOD'S PERFECT PLAN: FROM ISRAEL TO YOU**

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**WITH BIBLE REFERENCES**



# ISRAEL AND THE NATIONS IN GOD'S PLAN

The Bible is full of God's promises that can encourage our faith. Together, these promises make up one master plan of God.

You are part of a kingdom—the Kingdom of God. But did you know that your story is part of Israel's history? God has chosen the Jewish people to demonstrate His own kind and promise-keeping character to the world.

You're about to discover God's perfect plan through the lense of 25+ references throughout Scripture.

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# IT STARTS WITH A PROMISE TO EVERY BELIEVER

We are saved by grace through faith, which is a promise that God made (Ephesians 2:8). We are the work of the Lord's hands, created for good works which God created before we were born (Ephesians 2:10).

We know we can trust the promises of God. He is not a man, that He would lie (Numbers 23:19). When we trust God's promises, we know that:

“Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us” (Romans. 5:5).

## WE ARE PROMISED:

- Salvation from judgement. (Joel 2:32)
- A place in the world to come. (John 14:3)
- To share in spiritual blessings with the Messiah. (Ephesians 1:3)
- In Heaven, we will have a new name. (Revelation 2:17)
- We can never be separated from the love of God. (Romans 8:35-39)
- There will be no more suffering and pain. (Revelation 21:4)



# GOD'S PROMISE TO ISRAEL

God loves every tribe and every nation. However, God chose one people to be an example. It's like being the eldest child in a family with many siblings. And there is only one first-born: the people of Israel.

Paul speaks of the people of Israel as the recipients of God's election, gifts, and calling – which “are irrevocable” (Romans 11:29). And not one of those terms speaks of their future redemption as dependent on Israel's worthiness or merit.

God lovingly chose Israel and declared to keep that covenant regardless of their sin (Ezekiel 11:16-17). But He made it clear that it was not due to their righteousness, but for His name's sake.

**Israel is God's very own possession. The Apostle Paul promises that the future hope for Israel's salvation is sure and that God will make good on His promises (Romans 9-11). God also promises that the Messiah would come out of Israel, out of the kingly Davidic line. (Isaiah 11:1, Genesis 3:5, Isaiah 7:14)**

Israel will come to the fullness of revelation of Yeshua as their Messiah and will be fully re-grafted into their own olive tree (Romans 11:23). That, in turn, will be a spark to ignite a great awakening worldwide.



# FROM ISRAEL TO THE NATIONS

God promised Abraham that He would multiply Abraham's descendants as the stars in the sky (Genesis 15:5). He would be their God and give them a specific piece of land forever. They would inherit a land with wells that they didn't dig and vineyards that they didn't grow (Deuteronomy 6:11, Joshua 24:13).

God said He would bless Abraham and his descendants so that all the families of the earth would be blessed:

**"I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you, I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse, and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."  
(Genesis 12:2-3)**



The disciples' last question to Jesus before His ascension was, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" (Acts 1:6). Jesus responded, "It's not for you to know the times..." He was not saying no, but He did not say when. Instead, He said:

**"You will receive power from the Holy Spirit when he comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and Judea, and Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth" (Acts 1:8).**

**The nations are the uttermost parts of the earth!**

# GOD'S PROMISE TO THE WORLD

There is a direct connection between Israel's salvation and unprecedented world redemption: "For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?" (Romans 11:15)

Just as God gave special promises to the Jewish people, He also promised a place within His family to the gentiles. They were grafted in to the "wild olive branches" which is Israel and the Jewish people (Romans 11:17).

In Ephesians 2, Paul says that before receiving salvation through Jesus, we were "excluded from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise" (Ephesians 2:12). The "covenants of promise" are the promises God gave to Israel.

Jesus promised that He will never leave us nor forsake us (Hebrews 13:15). And that He is with us unto the end of age (Matthew 28:20).

We are promised a place in the world to come, as well as the riches and grace of being seated with Jesus in heavenly places (Ephesians 2:6).



# THE FULFILLED PROMISES

All of this is a cause for celebration and hope, as we can see that God's redemptive plan included both Israel and the nations all along! Jesus said, "And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed to all nations, as a testimony to all nations. And then the end will come" (Matthew 24:14).

To the Jewish religious leaders in Jerusalem, Jesus said: "You will not see me again until you say 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord'." (Matthew 23:39)

For us as believers, this means that first, the gospel of the kingdom must be proclaimed to all nations. Second, the Jewish people in Jerusalem, must accept Jesus as King Messiah and welcome Him back.

And one day the Lord would make His house a place for all nations (Isaiah 56, Zechariah 8). In other words, the nations will join themselves to Israel in varying ways in order to draw near to the Lord.





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