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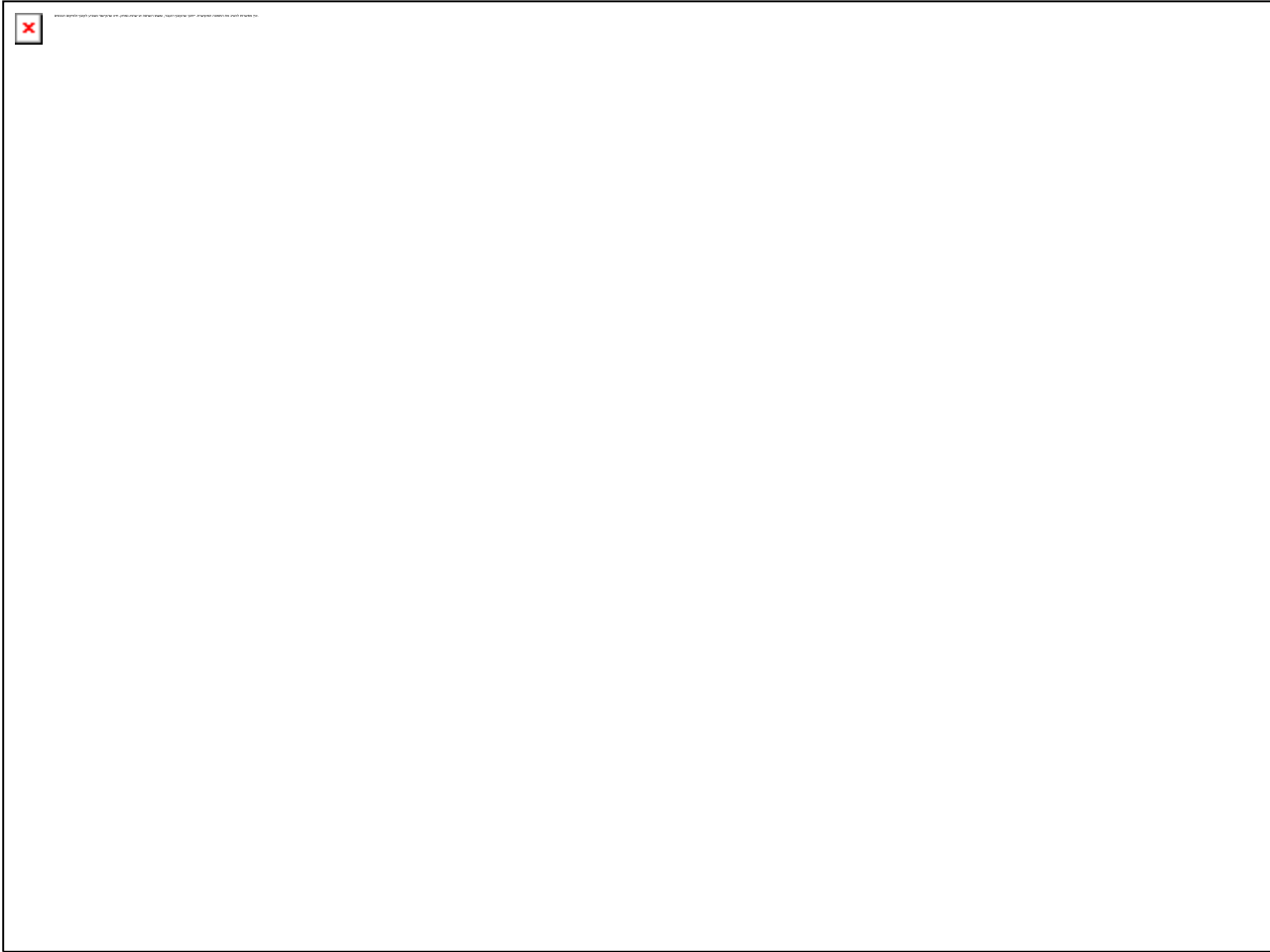
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Editorial

Christian Supporters of Israel Show Interest in Brit-Am

Shalom, This is the third issue of BRIT-AM.

A few days ago, I heard a lecture by **Rabby Tuvia Zinger** who heads an organization resisting missionary activity amongst Jewish people. Rabbi Zinger said that in the recent past many Christian groups have begun emphasizing their Jewish-Hebrew roots and have expressed a love for the Jewish people. The purpose of this change of heart in Rabbi Zinger's opinion is at least partly in order to missionize Jews. For eschatological reasons the conversion of Jews is considered extremely important by some groups.

There have been cases however in which this has backfired on the organizations considered. Many adherents of these churches, including some pastors, have become non-Christian Hebraizing Noachides or have converted to Judaism partly as a result of the Hebraizing policies of their own churches. Rabbi Zinger says that in his opinion this is because those becoming Jewish often have Jewish ancestry. We would agree with Rabbi Zinger but we would qualify his statement by adding "Israelite or Jewish", meaning or from Judah or from one of the Lost Ten Tribes.

On a related theme I recently attended a breakfast given by the **Christian Friends of**

Israel. I understood that the meeting was meant to be a political expression of support for Israel and not a religious assembly. I accompanied to the meeting representatives of settlements in the liberated territory of Judah. The CFI (“Christian Friends of Israel”) encourages support for these settlements. We received permission to distribute BRIT-AM literature all of which was eagerly grabbed within a few minutes by those present. The CFI works to encourage support for Israel in the Israel, to help migration of Jews from Russia to Israel, and to strengthen Jewish settlements in the Land of Israel especially those parts that appear at present to be in jeopardy. Attendance was by invitation and about 500 delegates were present. Some of them had heard of BRIT-AM though I knew hardly any of them. They were mostly people of BRIT-AM Israelite origin. A highlight of the meeting was the entrance of twelve standard bearers carrying hand-embroidered gigantic symbols of the twelve tribes of Israel. It was very moving. Everybody seemed very moved. The few people I talked to seemed open to the BRIT-AM beliefs.

The overwhelming attitude of the people there appears to be that the Jews are returning to their land. The Jews represent all the 12 tribes of Israel. This is God’s will and it is up to those Gentiles who believe in the Bible to do what they can to help the Jewish people settle the land. The idea that they themselves are descendants of Israelites touches many of those were present who quite frequently had reached instinctively the conclusion that they must somehow be related to the Jewish people since they feel drawn to them and to the idea of the Jews re-settling in the Land. Quite a few of those I chatted with said they had some Jewish ancestry or suspected that they did. Even so for some the notion that they belong to the Lost Tribes and therefore Israelite family membership pertains to significant proportions of their own nations is difficult to accept. They would at present prefer to feel that they may serve the Chosen People at a distance, voluntarily as a tribute to the Almighty and not necessarily as something

involving their own ancestry, that they are part of.

There is a difficulty and BRIT-AM believes it has the answer to this difficulty. The Jews are indeed chosen. They are bearers of the Law and of an unbroken recognition of their Israelite ancestry. The Lost Ten tribes are also chosen but they expressed their specialness in another way and still do. Eventually the two halves must re-unite and each side will learn from and be complemented by the other.

Meeting With Fellow Travellers

We met with John Stembridge (former Mayor of North Miami, and Chris Johnson widow of Elmer A. Johnson. They belong to a Christian group that does not believe in missionizing Jews and supports the State of Israel. Recently they have become convinced of the “Identity” truth. They are now based in Kansas and put out a magazine named “Bible Light”. In the USA they held a kind of marathon prayer meeting and spontaneous public acknowledgement of the Identity theme. They were interested in exploring the possibility of holding a conference on “Finding Ephraim” in Israel. In the past Brit-Am also planned a conference on the Tribes to be held in Jerusalem. The meetings Rabbi Feld and Yair Davidy had with Chris and John were fruitful but great differences exist between us on the religious, social, and psychological level. We hope to be able to co-operate but time will tell if and how the differences can be bridged.

Chris made a point that caught my fancy. She said:

**“If God leads, He feeds.
If God guides, He provides.”**

This is true but sometimes He also tests us and wants us to go on alone for a little while. As far as Brit-Am is concerned it appears that God also wants others to participate financially in our research discoveries. We keep going mainly by selling our publications and from the contributions of others. This enables us to

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dedicate time to accessing information and passing this information on.

Visitors From California

I met Dave, Linda, and Ron who were visiting from California. Dave works in construction and is of Scottish, North English, and German descent. Linda (Dave's "better half") is descended from Jews from Russia, and Ron has Scandinavian forebears. They belong to a group that studies Brit-Am and similar Biblical beliefs. Dave once drove 100 miles to a bookshop in order to buy a copy of "The Tribes"! When he got there the shop had one book left! The book has since been passed around the group and is still in circuit. Dave does not think it will be returned to him in the near future! They were young, sincere, intelligent, strong types with a refined yet natural quality. Many supporters of BRIT-AM are like that. They asked the same type of questions that most visitors ask: **How did you get started in this? Do you encounter any opposition? If so, from whom? Jews? Gentiles? What do you think the future holds for our nations according to the Bible? What do you think the course of action should be for those who adhere to BRIT-AM conclusions?**

It is always good to meet people who sympathize with us in person, to exchange impressions and meet up with each other. The answers are briefly given below:

How Did I Get Started in This?

I got started in fits and starts. My family had a traditional background in this area. Later, I came across literature supplied by the Armstrong group and after that of British Israel in Australia – my place of birth. Due to the presence of anti-Semitic elements in a small part of the literature and other factors I put the matter aside. I did attempt some independent research on my own behalf when I was young but came up with nothing conclusive. I moved to Israel and began studying at Rabbinical institutions. I also maintained an interest in history and contemporary events. In the course of my studies

I came across information that seemed to suggest that there may be something in the Identity notion after all despite numerous qualifications and uncertainties. I began to collect facts. An inner urge to settle the question one way or another developed within me. Finally I plunged myself into a long intensive period of concentrated research on the subject. I collected notes as I went. If I would have concluded that the Identity belief was untrue I would then have written a book as why it was not true since the idea in its own right has had historical importance. As it was, my conclusions were positive. I went right through the Bible several times over, -delving deeply into commentaries and articles on relevant sections. I tried to read everything that had ever been written in Jewish sources on the Lost Ten Tribes. This study caused me to read an enormous amount of history and related fields such as mythology, archaeology, and so on. As it was I became convinced that the Lost Ten Tribes today are to be found amongst western peoples. I feel that I have a duty to impart my findings to whoever is open to them. With me this borders on religious obligation.

Do you encounter any opposition? If so, from whom? Jews? Gentiles?

I encounter some opposition from both Jews and Gentiles but worse than that is the feeling of being deliberately ignored or arbitrarily dismissed as having nothing worthy of consideration. Some Jews do not like the idea because they have encountered anti-semitism in the countries amongst whom we believe the Lost Ten Tribes to be found. It is true that some groups who advocate similar Identity beliefs to ours are also amongst the most notorious anti-semitic hate groups in existence. This causes our approach to sometimes initially be regarded with suspicion by Jewish people. In addition the people whom we see as belonging to the Lost Ten Tribes are Christians. Jewish sources do say that the Lost Tribes would be pagans and from a Jewish perspective this would fit most (maybe all) forms of Christianity. Even so on a practical

level Jews have a difficulty in dealing with this. On the other hand many Jews are sympathetic and amongst our best supporters. They are prepared to listen and to consider the evidence on its own merits.

Amongst **Gentiles** I have encountered opposition from Racist groups –one of which wrote a whole booklet against me. They sent me computer viruses, hate mail, and death threats. There are also Liberal intellectuals who dislike the idea. It requires belief in the Bible which many reject. In other words, on the whole right-wing anti-semites and leftwing “Pinkies” do not like us but there are exceptions.

There are some things that in certain respects are worse than being opposed to. We really do not like unfair and untrue things being said about us and are frustrated if our message is prevented from reaching those who really are potentially interested.

What do you think the future holds for our nations according to the Bible?

Certain disasters may occur. The Lost Ten Tribes will renew the Covenant meaning some kind of re-acceptance of the Mosaic Code. There will be at least a partial return to the Land of Israel. Judah and the Lost Ten Tribes will reunite though retaining separate Tribal identities. *See future issues of BRIT-AM for details.*

What do you think the course of action should be for those who adhere to BRIT-AM conclusions?

At present it is important to spread Identity knowledge and to deepen one’s own awareness of it. Read the Bible, pray, seek the fellowship of those of similar convictions. Support BRIT-AM. Lead a good family life, raise children, prosper, and seek Divine guidance. A more complete answer will come to all of us when the time comes. I have not got one but I know that I should do what I am now doing, -only perhaps better. On the one hand we should beware of false prophets and easy answers. It is also not necessary to make life any more complicated than it already is. I would again

stress re-learning the Biblical “Old” Testament with renewed fervor, praying, and internalizing the message. John Hulley has suggested answers to other (more political) aspects of this question in an article in the present issue.

New Research

In the field of research at present we are working mainly in the following fields:

1. We are going through the **Bible** with Classical Rabbinic Commentaries searching for passages directly concerned with the Lost Ten Tribes. We are also once more attempting to go through all Jewish sources and collating all references to the Lost Ten Tribes. Eventually these will be published with a Commentary.
2. We are maintaining an interest in Biblical **Archaeology** and the **revision of ancient history**.
3. In the field of **Human Genetics** we are developing the tools to understand and present latest developments. Some of these are directly of interest to BRIT-AM studies. The American Journal of Human. Genetics [1997, 61: 1015-1035] reports that a certain type of genetic marker borne only by females (mitochondria), “haplogroup, H”, “is distributed throughout the entire range of Caucasoid populations.” It is “by far the most frequent (40%-60%) haplogroup in Western Europe”. It is believed to have originated in the Near East 25,000- 30,000 years ago! By Near East the general area in which the Lost Ten Tribes originally dwelt is intended. 25,000 to 30,000 years ago is **ten times too many** but the researchers have made mistakes in other cases. The estimate given is based in part on a faulty understanding of archaeological evidence and therefore can be adjusted. Under 3,000 years ago would place it within the time scale of Israelite Exile. They believe it originated in the Near East since the greatest variety of the said type is found there even though it is relatively rare in the region at present. The logic apparently is that where the most variation occurs, there the place of origin most likely is.

4. We are also looking for material concerning the **ancient Scandinavians and Anglo-Saxons** and related peoples. We would like to put out a book on this subject to balance our work “Lost Israelite Identity” that concentrated on the Celtic world.

5. New information is constantly being received regarding ancient history and the Israelite origin of **Celtic and kinred peoples**.

We could use help, financial assistance, and research co-operation. We need sponsors for our research projects, to re-print our books, and to publish new ones.

May God Bless you all, Yair Davidy.

WHAT TO DO NOW?

What Action Should the Lost Ten Tribes Take?

by John Hulley

According to Prophecy the Lost Ten Tribes were to:

- 1) **lose their faith and thus their identity as Israelites;** *** already fulfilled.
- 2) **later restore their relationship with God and recover their identity;** ** partially fulfilled
- 3) **grow vastly in numbers;** ** partially fulfilled.
- 4) **join the House of Judah (the Jews) in reconquering the land of Israel;** ** partially fulfilled.
- 5) **settle in Israel** (e.g. in Samaria); ** unfulfilled.
- 6) **solve their differences with the Jews, uniting with them;** ** partially fulfilled.
- 7) **and together become a nation of priests, above other nations, a blessing to all the families of the earth, probably in the messianic era.** *unfulfilled

In addition the tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh are to:

- 8) **grow exceptionally in numbers,** ** partially fulfilled.
- 9) **benefit from the best of the earth's resources,** ** partially fulfilled.
- 10) **have the military status of a world power.** ** partially fulfilled.

Of the prophecies listed one (no.1: “**lose their faith and thus their identity as Israelites**”) appears to be already wholly fulfilled, some partially so (nos.2,3,4,6,8,9,10,) and two (nos. 5 & 7) not at all.

The prophecies which remain wholly or partially unfulfilled can provide a basis for an action program for JEWISH AND GENTILE (Israelite) Zionists!

Comments on each of the Prophecies follow:

*Prophecy #1*1) **lose their faith and thus their identity as Israelites; ******Jeremiah 3:8;*

[Jer 3:8] And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce;

Hosea 1:4, 6-7, 9;

[Hos 1:9] Then said God, Call his name Loammi: for ye are not my people, and I will not be your God.

Hosea 7:8;

[Hos 7:8] Ephraim, he hath mixed himself among the peoples; Ephraim is a cake not turned.

Hosea 8:8;

[Hos 8:8] Israel is swallowed up: now shall they be **among the Gentiles** as a vessel wherein is no pleasure.

Hosea 9:16-17;

[Hos 9:17] My God will cast them away, because they did not hearken unto him: and they shall be wanderers among the nations.

Micah 5:3,7

[MIC 5:3] **THEREFORE WILL HE GIVE THEM UP**, UNTIL THE TIME THAT SHE WHICH TRAVAILETH HATH BROUGHT FORTH: THEN THE REMNANT OF HIS BRETHREN SHALL RETURN UNTO THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL

[MIC 5:7] AND THE REMNANT OF JACOB SHALL BE **IN THE MIDST OF MANY PEOPLE** AS A DEW FROM THE LORD, AS THE SHOWERS UPON THE GRASS, THAT TARRIETH NOT FOR MAN, NOR WAITETH FOR THE SONS OF MEN.

The assimilation of the [Israelite-] Cimmerians among the Celts and other peoples in central and Western Europe appears to have been virtually complete, involving loss of faith and identity.

*Prophecy #2:*2) **later restore their relationship with God and recover their identity; *****Jeremiah 3:11-15;*

[Jer 3:11] And the LORD said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah.

[Jer 3:12] Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the LORD; and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the LORD, and I will not keep anger for ever.

[Jer 3:13] Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the LORD thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the LORD.

[Jer 3:14] Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:

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[Jer 3:15] And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

Jeremiah 31:18-20,

[Jer 31:18] I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself thus; Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed to the yoke: turn thou me, and I shall be turned; for thou art the LORD my God.

[Jer 31:19] Surely after that I was turned, I repented; and after that I was instructed, I smote upon my thigh: I was ashamed, yea, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth.

[Jer 31:20] Is Ephraim my dear son? is he a pleasant child? for since I spake against him, I do earnestly remember him still: therefore my bowels are troubled for him; I will surely have mercy upon him, saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 31:27; 33:7-8,14,23-26; 50:4-6,17-20; Ezekiel 36:25-31; 37:23; Hosea 1:10-11; 2:1,19-20,23; 3:5;

Hosea 14:4-8;

[Hos 14:4] I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him.

[Hos 14:5] I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon.

[Hos 14:6] His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon.

[Hos 14:7] They that dwell under his shadow shall return; they shall revive as the corn, and grow as the vine: the scent thereof shall be as the wine of Lebanon.

[Hos 14:8] Ephraim shall say, What have I to do any more with idols? I have heard him, and observed him: I am like a green fir tree. From me is thy fruit found.

Amos 9:9;

Zechariah 10:6,9,

Zechariah 10:12

[Zech 10:12] And I will strengthen them in the LORD; and they shall walk up and down in his name, saith the LORD.

Restoration of the relationship with God has been only partial. The Protestant Reformation is surely the brightest point in the spiritual history of the second millennium; but the job of cleaning pagan elements out of the religion inherited from Byzantium and Rome was incomplete.

Only a tiny minority of Bible-believers and other Zionists is aware of any Israelite identity. This means that most of Ephraim has been acting instinctively without benefit of knowing the role he is expected to play.

Prophecy #3

3) **grow vastly in numbers; ****

Hosea 1:10

[Hos 1:10] Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured nor numbered; and it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people, there it shall be said unto them, Ye are the sons of the living God.

The world population has grown enormously since Hosea's time. But the prophecy seems to suggest that the growth of the House of Ephraim will be remarkable in some distinctive way. Indeed it appears to have grown about twice as much as the rest of the world (cf. *Prophecy #10*). However this process may have further to go; the tasks remaining to be done (see below) may require still more growth.

Prophecy #4:

4) join the House of Judah (the Jews) in reconquering the land of Israel; **

Isaiah 11:14; Obadiah 17-21;

Zechariah 9:13-16;

[Zech 9:13] When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons, O Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man.

[Zech 9:14] And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the LORD God shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south.

[Zech 9:15] The LORD of hosts shall defend them; and they shall devour, and subdue with sling stones; and they shall drink, and make a noise as through wine; and they shall be filled like bowls, and as the corners of the altar.

[Zech 9:16] And the LORD their God shall save them in that day as the flock of his people: for they shall be as the stones of a crown, lifted up as an ensign upon his land.

Zechariah 10:3-7

[Zech 10:3] Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I punished the goats: for the LORD of hosts hath visited his flock the house of Judah, and hath made them as his goodly horse in the battle.

[Zech 10:4] Out of him came forth the corner, out of him the nail, out of him the battle bow, out of him every oppressor together.

[Zech 10:5] And they shall be as mighty men, which tread down their enemies in the mire of the streets in the battle: and they shall fight, because the LORD is with them, and the riders on horses shall be confounded.

[Zech 10:6] And I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph, and I will bring them again to place them; for I have mercy upon them: and they shall be as though I had not cast them off: for I am the LORD their God, and will hear them.

[Zech 10:7] And they of Ephraim shall be like a mighty man, and their heart shall rejoice as through wine: yea, their children shall see it, and be glad; their heart shall rejoice in the LORD.

The House of Ephraim has joined the House of Judah in the reconquest and defense of Israel. However a growing threat is arising from Moslem development of weapons of mass destruction -nuclear, chemical and biological, intended for use against Israel. The Moslem nations are using receipts from oil to buy the technology from sources further north in Asia, notably China, north Korea and the former members of the USSR.

The boundaries of the land of Israel are a considerable achievement. So far however they do not appear to be in line with the frontiers set forth in prophecy.

Meanwhile those frontiers themselves are in need of clarification.

Prophecy #5:

5) settle in Israel (e.g. in Samaria); *

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Isaiah 11:11-13, 16; 27:12-13; *Jeremiah* 3:18; 16:14-15; 23:7-8; 31:1-10, 13,15-17,20,27-28; 33:7-11,14; *Ezekiel* 36:6-12,16-24,28-38; 37:21-26; 47:13-48:34;

Hosea 1:11-2:1,

[Hos 1:11] Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great shall be the day of Jezreel.

[Hos 2:1] Say ye unto your brethren, Ammi; and to your sisters, Ruhamah.

Hosea 1:23;

[Hos 2:23] And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to them which were not my people, Thou art my people; and they shall say, Thou art my God.

Amos 9:14-15;

Micah 7:14-15;

[MIC 7:14] FEED THY PEOPLE WITH THY ROD, THE FLOCK OF THINE HERITAGE, WHICH DWELL SOLITARILY IN THE WOOD, IN THE MIDST OF CARMEL: LET THEM FEED IN **BASHAN AND GILEAD**, AS IN THE DAYS OF OLD.

[MIC 7:15] ACCORDING TO THE DAYS OF THY COMING OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT WILL I SHEW UNTO HIM MARVELLOUS THINGS.

Zechariah 8:12-13;

[Zech 8:12] For the seed shall be prosperous; the vine shall give her fruit, and the ground shall give her increase, and the heavens shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of this people to possess all these things.

[Zech 8:13] And it shall come to pass, that as ye were a curse among the heathen, O house of Judah, and house of Israel; so will I save you, and ye shall be a blessing: fear not, but let your hands be strong.

Zechariah 10:6, 10

[Zech 10:10] I will bring them again also out of the land of Egypt, and gather them out of Assyria; and I will bring them into **the land of Gilead and Lebanon**; and place shall not be found for them.

Up to now the numbers of Ephraimites in the land are few and scattered. Judah dominates the scene. Bible-believers in growing numbers continually arrive in hopes of settling in Israel. But they do not know themselves to be Ephraimites, nor do the Jews recognize them as such. Because of the religious differences, and in particular because Jews object to the continual efforts of Christian missionaries to convert them, nearly all of them are allowed in only as tourists on short-term visas.

Prophecy #6:

6) **solve their differences with the Jews, uniting with them; ****

Isaiah 11:13; *Jeremiah* 3:18; *Ezekiel* 37:19-26;

Zechariah 9:13

[Zech 9:13] When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons, O Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man.

Relations between the houses of Ephraim and Judah are generally better now than in the time of the First Temple; they are certainly much better than the lowest point during the two centuries of intermittent warfare between them after the death of Solomon. The Bible-believing wing of Protestantism has never been involved in persecution of the Jews, and Christian Zionists have done a lot in support of the goals of Jewish Zionism. But the lack of progress toward genuine spiritual unity is illustrated by the difficulties mentioned above under *Prophecy #5*.

Prophecy #7:

7) and together become a nation of priests, above other nations, a blessing to all the families of the earth, probably in the messianic era. *

Genesis 12:3; 22:18; 26:4; 28:14; Exodus 19:6; Leviticus 20:26;

Deuteronomy 7:6;

[Deut 7:6] For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.

Deuteronomy 26:19;

[Deut 26:19] And to make thee high above all nations which he hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be an holy people unto the LORD thy God, as he hath spoken.

Deuteronomy 28:1,

[Deut 28:1] And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

Deuteronomy 28:7,

[Deut 28:7] The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.

Deuteronomy 28:9-10,

[Deut 28:9] The LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways.

[Deut 28:10] And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of thee.

Deuteronomy 28:13;

[Deut 28:13] And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them:

Isaiah 27:6; Jeremiah 31:31-34.

The time when the tribes are to be a blessing to all the families of the earth is presumably to come during the messianic era, following the reunion foreseen in *Prophecy #6*.

Prophecy #8:

“All These Are The Twelve Tribes Of Israel” (Genesis 49:28).

8) The tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh are to grow exceptionally in numbers, **

Genesis 49:25

[GEN 49:25] EVEN BY THE GOD OF THY FATHER, WHO SHALL HELP THEE; AND BY THE ALMIGHTY, WHO SHALL BLESS THEE WITH BLESSINGS OF HEAVEN ABOVE, BLESSINGS OF THE DEEP THAT LIETH UNDER, BLESSINGS OF THE BREASTS, AND OF THE WOMB:

The multiplication of the two tribes combined appears to have been much more rapid than that of the rest of the Lost Tribes. The difference is clearer for Ephraim than for Manasseh. Continuing rapid growth relative to the rest of the world may be needed in order to fulfill all of its responsibilities according to prophecy (see *Prophecies ## 3 & 11*).

Prophecy #9

9) benefit from the best of the earth's resources, **

Genesis 48:20;

[GEN 48:20] AND HE BLESSED THEM THAT DAY, SAYING, IN THEE SHALL ISRAEL BLESS, SAYING, GOD MAKE THEE AS EPHRAIM AND AS MANASSEH: AND HE SET EPHRAIM BEFORE MANASSEH.

Genesis 49:22, 25;

[GEN 49:22] JOSEPH IS A FRUITFUL BOUGH, EVEN A FRUITFUL BOUGH BY A WELL; WHOSE BRANCHES RUN OVER THE WALL:

[GEN 49:25] EVEN BY THE GOD OF THY FATHER, WHO SHALL HELP THEE; AND BY THE ALMIGHTY, WHO SHALL BLESS THEE WITH BLESSINGS OF HEAVEN ABOVE, BLESSINGS OF THE DEEP THAT LIETH UNDER, BLESSINGS OF THE BREASTS, AND OF THE WOMB:

Deuteronomy 33:13-16

[Deut 33:13] And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the LORD be his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath,

[Deut 33:14] And for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon,

[Deut 33:15] And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of the lasting hills,

[Deut 33:16] And for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof, and for the good will of him that dwelt in the bush: let the blessing come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top of the head of him that was separated from his brethren.

The Anglo-American and French groups of nations already benefit from some of the best mineral, agricultural, maritime and other resources of the world. However their remain resources of the highest quality to which they may need freer access.

Prophecy #10 According to prophecy the tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh are to:

10) have the military status of a world power. **

Genesis 49:23-24;

[GEN 49:23] THE ARCHERS HAVE SORELY GRIEVED HIM, AND SHOT AT HIM, AND HATED HIM:

[GEN 49:24] BUT HIS BOW ABODE IN STRENGTH, AND THE ARMS OF HIS HANDS WERE MADE STRONG BY THE HANDS OF THE MIGHTY GOD OF JACOB; (FROM THENCE IS THE SHEPHERD, THE STONE OF ISRAEL:)

[GEN 49:25] EVEN BY THE GOD OF THY FATHER, WHO SHALL HELP THEE; AND BY THE ALMIGHTY, WHO SHALL BLESS THEE WITH BLESSINGS OF HEAVEN ABOVE, BLESSINGS OF THE DEEP THAT LIETH UNDER, BLESSINGS OF THE BREASTS, AND OF THE WOMB:

Deuteronomy 33:17

[Deut 33:17] His glory is like the firstling of his bullock, and his horns are like the horns of unicorns: with them he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and they are the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they are the thousands of Manasseh.

Through political influence in the countries where they live Ephraimites have occasionally been able to exert world power. By this means Israel has been partially restored (see *Prophecy #4* above). However the degree of Ephraimite access to power is limited. Opposing forces in the same countries sometimes prevent its use in support of Israel, or even use it against that nation. Although public support for Israel is 5-1 greater than that for the Arabs in the region, American officials often describe U.S. foreign policy in the area as "even-handed".

Prophecy #11:

11) The tribe of Ephraim, younger son of Joseph, will be greater than that of his older brother, Manasseh, and may have ten times the population. Indeed Ephraim is to be "fullness of the nations" -- a difficult Hebrew phrase, variously translated, e.g. as "a multitude of nations" or as "fulfillment of the nations". **

Deuteronomy 33:17

Genesis 48:19-20: "and they are the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they are the thousands of Manasseh".

The two tribes are gradually becoming discernible among the Anglo-American and French groups of peoples respectively. This identification appears to be generally consistent with the prophecies about their relative age, size and power. If "fullness of the nations" means fulfillment of all that is prophesied to be accomplished by the Lost Tribes, Ephraim has done only part of it.

AGENDA

The extent to which some prophecies remain unfulfilled can provide a basis for a Zionist agenda. Whether and to what extent they are to be realized before or during the messianic era remains to be seen. Prophecies on which progress could begin right away include:

#Completing the Reformation – Purging Christianity of pagan elements could make it more effective and also simplify the task of spiritual reconciliation between the houses of Ephraim and Judah (see *Prophecy #6*).

Wider awareness of Israelite identity should make Ephraim more effective.

“All These Are The Twelve Tribes Of Israel” (Genesis 49:28).

#Defending Israel – More needs to be done to cope with the threat to Israel from the development of weapons of mass destruction in Asia, especially from Moslem nations such as Iraq and Iran. It would be desirable to make all Asia free of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons. On this issue Zionists should find strong support from other political forces in the U.S. and abroad. We are still sweating through the tail end of the 40-year Cold War with the USSR, which is not yet free of danger. With this background many people would like to avoid another cold war with China or Japan. They would also prefer not to take chances on any unpleasant surprises from Iran, Iraq or North Korea.

The majority of Jews are now living in the same countries as the majority of Ephraimites. This is surely no coincidence, since these are naturally the countries most favorable to them. It also gives them the opportunity to contribute to Zionist programs for the restoration of Israel, including military ones.

#Settling in the land – Some kind of a settlement could be an important step forward, both as an Ephraimite presence in Israel and as a focus of public attention abroad. The settlement should be subject to rules worked out between the two houses, taking into account Jewish objections to a flood of Christian missionaries. It would participate in Israeli defense. For historical reasons, Samaria would be a suitable location.

#Strengthening the political effectiveness of Ephraim – U.S. foreign policy on Israel needs to be brought into line with public opinion. It is important for Bible-believers and other Zionists to gain the influence they are entitled to in the executive branch of government.

A CONFERENCE on global organization of the House of Ephraim might be held to consider ways to combine the support of sympathizers among the English-speaking and other peoples!

Genetics:

Scientists May Be Able to Trace Individual Families!

English comedian Eric Sykes is one of the clan. Your surname may well be written in your genes, a study has shown. This surprising discovery suggests that forensic evidence left at the scene of a crime could be read in a DNA laboratory and reveal the criminal's name. Professor Bryan Sykes, at the University of Oxford, started the research as "a bit of fun", but it is likely to have an impact in both forensic science and genealogy. Professor Sykes used samples from 61 volunteers who shared his surname to establish a link between the name and the distinctive DNA. He has found similar results for three other names, but thinks the link may not hold for the most common surnames like Jones and Smith.

Fathering a dynasty

The research makes the first direct link between genes and genealogy, showing that successive generations of a family can inherit unique sections of DNA. This strongly implies that people sharing a surname share a single male ancestor. Genealogists had long assumed that there would be several founders for every family name. "It puts every family on a par with the aristocracy, in being able to trace ourselves back to an original founder," said Professor Sykes. The name Sykes means a boundary stream and is a

common landscape feature in Yorkshire, suggesting a number of people could have adopted it in the 13th and 14th centuries, when inherited surnames became common.

History of infidelity

It has been traditional in England for children to take their father's name and so Professor Sykes and colleague Catherine Irven looked at the Y chromosome, which fathers pass to sons but not daughters. They randomly chose 250 men with the name Sykes and asked for DNA samples: 61 replied with a swab from the inside of their cheek. Half of the group shared four unique sections of DNA which were not found in control subjects either in Yorkshire or other areas of the UK. The other half did not have the Sykes DNA, suggesting some infidelity in the Sykes dynasty. However, the estimated rate of infidelity over the 700 years the name has existed for is very low. If just 1.3% of the Sykes children in each generation were fathered by someone other than a Sykes, then the accumulation of "foreign" genes would mean that about half of today's Sykes would not have the unique DNA. This uncertainty means the DNA evidence of a name could not be used to convict criminals, but it could help to narrow down searches. It is also likely that families with the most common names, like Smith and Jones, do have multiple founders. The research is published in the American Journal of Human Genetics. *Am. J. Hum. Genet.*, 66:1417-1419, 2000

Clinton and Starr: Manasseh versus Ephraim?

by Philo-Israel II

The impeachment and impending trial of President Clinton by a Congress bitterly divided along partisan lines may be viewed as a cultural battle between his liberal defenders and his conservative enemies. The Republicans seek to remove Clinton from office for what they feel he and the Democrats symbolize: draft-dodging, pot-smoking, abortion, gay rights, sexual promiscuity, big government, free trade, UN sponsored internationalism and a general lack of moral values in society. Democrats seek to defend Clinton because he represents the last line of defense against what they feel the Republicans symbolize: religious Puritanism, a return to unrestrained free-market economics, business greed, union-busting, threats to Social Security and Medicare, intolerance to liberal life styles, rule by Ralph Reed, Pat Robertson, and the religious right and a general lack of fairness in society.

What is most interesting about the whole Clinton impeachment battle and this cultural civil war is that, to some extent, it reflects the old polarization between North and South that existed before, during, and after the Civil War. Mind you, Clinton is himself a born-and-bred son of Arkansas and many of those who seek to remove him are from the north and west. Nevertheless, the Democrats seem to reflect the values of the old Yankee Northeast, Scandinavian Upper Midwest, and Pacific Coast; the Republicans have become, for better or for worse, the party of the old Confederacy. Most 1990's top GOP leaders, Newt Gingrich, Dick Armey, Phil Gramm, Tom De Lay, and Trent Lott are elected from southern states. Kenneth Starr is from Texas. Even Henry Hyde, from Illinois, has always voted with his Southern colleagues and is 100% in accord with the Christian Coalition. Georgia historian, Dan

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Carter, remarks on the impeachment process:: "I've been surprised that there's been so little discussion of how much this whole process has been driven by the Southernization of the Republican Party. "A recent article in the New York Times of December 27, 1998 comments on the strong Southern regional flavor of the Republican Party in Congress and its anti-Clinton crusade: "Clinton, a Southerner as Johnson was, has his harshest critics in his native South, where the values that inflame conservatives are most intense. A recent New York Times/CBS News poll found support for impeachment higher in the South than in any other part of the country.

Many Southerners revel in the South's newfound Republicanism. One T-shirt shows the Confederate battle flag in the form of a Republican elephant with the words "Lincoln's Worst Nightmare!" The back features the flags of the Southern states and the words "A States Rights Republican Majority From Dixie. "In the last seventy years, the position of the two parties in national politics has completely reversed. In 1928, the Republicans had a strong majority in the Northeast, Midwest, and Far West; the Democrats were based in a solid Democratic South. Now, a majority of Southern whites are as staunchly Republican as their grandparents were Democrat. The reason for this is that the GOP in the South now reflects the traditional Southern philosophy of States Rights and limited government far more than the Democrats do. As well, the importance of cultural issues has driven many evangelicals into the Republican Party.

The core of the GOP are now Southern white evangelicals whom the party must appeal to. Those outside the South, in contrast, are, at least as far as national politics are concerned, have been driven into the arms of the Democrats, who dominate New England Congressional delegations. The party of Lincoln has become the party of Rush Limbaugh, Pat Robertson and of conservative values most deeply cherished in a resurgent South. Trent Lott, a strong Southern patriot, told Southern Partisan magazine during the 1980's: "I think that a lot of the fundamental

principles that Jefferson Davis believed in are very important to people across the country, and they apply to the Republican Party," and that the GOP agenda "from tax policy, to foreign policy, from individual rights to neighborhood security are things that Jefferson Davis and his people believed in.

Is the partisan battle over Bill Clinton but a continuation of the old North-South conflict? Is the North-South conflict itself the result of cultural differences that go back far beyond even the foundation of America itself? A brilliant book by historian David Hackett Fischer recently interpreted American history and its regional conflicts as continuations of a thousand years of English history and its regional conflicts. The New England Puritans, who set the tone for much of Northeastern and Midwestern politics, came from the region of East Anglia; Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridge, Essex. From Massachusetts, their descendants spread across the northern states: "The emigrants who came to Massachusetts in the great migration became the breeding stock for America's Yankee population.....They occupied much of southern New England, eastern New Jersey and northern New York. In the nineteenth century, their descendants migrated ...west to the Pacific. Along the way, they founded the future cities of Buffalo, Cleveland, Chicago, St.Paul, Denver, San Francisco and Salt Lake City. Today, throughout this vast area, most families of Yankee descent trace their American beginnings to an English ancestor who came ashore in Massachusetts Bay within five years of the year 1635", David Hackett Fischer, *Albion's Seed: Four British Folkways in America*, (New York, Oxford University Press, 1991), p.17. In contrast, many Southerners of Virginia and the Carolinas traced back to western England, and the Oxford region. They were much more conservative and royalist in their sympathies than the East Anglians who supported Oliver Cromwell in the English Civil War, replaced the monarchy with a republic, used the tune of Yankee Doodle as their Puritan anthem, and were willing to experiment with new ideas:"

A second historical region, which sent many sons to Virginia, was a broad belt of territory through the south of England, extending from Kent to Devon, and north as far as Warwick. It encompassed the ancient kingdom of Wessex and its Mercian protectorates-the realm of Alfred and Aethelred. This area had the least articulated sense of regional identity because it believed itself to be the heartland of the country- In Henry James's phrase, "midmost England, unmitigated England." Nevertheless, it had a cultural existence which was defined by its history, in ways that made it distinct from East Anglia, the North Country and the Celtic cultures of Wales and Cornwall to the west. Roughly 60 percent of Virginia gentlemen and servants came from this region." , Fischer, p.794. It would seem that the portion of England that colonized Virginia and the Carolinas was predominately Ephraimite in its origins. The English class system was transplanted to Charleston. Much of the Anglo-Saxon, as opposed to the Celtic, population of the American South I believe to be descended from Ephraim. The Southern gentleman and plantation system is a transplanting of conservative English values. The portion of the USA settled by the Puritan-Yankee stock of East Anglia is very likely, and many British Israel writers like Adam Rutherford agree, descended from half of the tribe of Manasseh, as are many from the north of England. The large contingent of German Americans from the Rhineland may be the other half-tribe of Manasseh. One of the Germanic tribes that settled on the Rhine was the USIPI , a name derived from Joseph. If it is true than much of the North-South conflict in the USA can be seen as a rivalry between A conservative Ephraim in the South and a liberal Manasseh in the North. The South controlled the USA between 1789 and 1861. Lincoln's election, the Civil War, Reconstruction, and the industrialization of the northern states shifted the balance of power from Ephraim to Manasseh after that time. Now the South appears to be making an economic and political comeback

based on economics and population shifts. US politics still mirrors the ancient division.

Prophecy suggests that the Clinton impeachment battle is only another step along the way towards a growing cultural civil war within the USA which could someday have regional implications. Internal divisions weakened ancient Israel long before their enemies did and even made possible their enemies, aggression. Abraham Lincoln himself recognized the Civil War as a judgment of God on his country. While another military war between North and South seems far-fetched in 1998, political and economic tensions between the regions could increase in the future as they have in the past, particularly in hard times. In this context, Isaiah seems to predict that the old tensions between North and South in the USA could resurface with a vengeance in some form if steps toward reconciliation are not taken: <<Through the wrath of the LORD of hosts is the land darkened, and the people shall be as the fuel of the fire: no man shall spare his brother. And he shall snatch on the right hand, and be hungry; and he shall eat on the left hand, and they shall not be satisfied: they shall eat everyman the flesh of his own arm: Manasseh, Ephraim; and Ephraim, Manasseh: and they together shall be against Judah. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still>> (Isaiah 9:19-21).

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In a coming issue of BRIT-AM we will review the book by David Hackett Fischer, *Albion's Seed: Four British Folkways in America*. We will discuss at greater length and

detail the ethnic divisions within the USA and how they relate to different Israelite Tribes dominating different areas in America.

This study will be shown to verify and strengthen the direction of identification we had already spoken of in *The Tribes*. Present-day findings of scientific sociology and historical research will be seen to conform with the descriptions of Tribal characteristics given in the Bible and Talmud.

It will be shown how the “Wild West” of the USA is the Biblical Gilead of Menasseh and how other areas correspond to different Tribal groups! Editor.

✉ LETTERS ✉

Scary Situation For Our Brother Judah

Shalom Yair Davidy, Sir:

Hope all is going well for you. I am mailing a check to help you in your efforts. Thanks for all the hard work. I visited the Land of Israel in the spring. I cannot get it out of my mind. Please be encouraged- Your work is bearing precious fruit. I am amazed at how many Xtian believers are now realizing they are definitely of the “Lost Sheep of the House of Israel.” Glory to God Almighty! May his safe armies surround you. We live in dangerous times. The so-called “Peace Process” is one scary situation for our brother Judah. I am sorry your leaders are selling you out for a “mess of pottage.” We are praying for you. The Holy Land is being delivered up to evildoers. -But His timing is perfect and the land will belong to the House of Judah and the House of Israel real soon. Shalom! Shalom! June, Belle, MO, USA.

From The Tribe Of Issachar

Please send list of books and prices to Jeanie D, I am interested in the lost ten tribes since the Spirit of God has told me I'm from the tribe of Issachar. I am by nationality Irish. Thank you, Jeanie D. CA, USA

Confederates Were Scotch-Irish. Should They Leave the USA?

Hi, Yair. I have a question that maybe you can answer, and maybe not. I am from South Carolina, where the debate over the Confederate Battle Flag is getting very heated. After researching our historical documents, I have found that most of what is being taught in our schools about our "Civil War" is a lie. Those who know the truth are starting to spread the truth, that the South wasn't fighting to keep their slaves, but for independence from the Federal Government, and their unfair taxes against Southern States. We are beginning to be ridiculed and persecuted, and in some cases people have been killed, for our Southern Heritage. Some are starting to call for independence from the United States. Most people from the Southern United States, including the Southwest, are Scotch-Irish decent. Could this possibly be a beginning point to the return of the Israelites? You have stated before that you believe that the Southwest would be the first to return.

I was reading our local newspaper yesterday and saw an article that was very interesting. There are states all over the United States that want to be their own country. The people of the States are supporting this movement. Some of the members of Congress are trying to get a law passed that if the Federal Deficit reaches a certain number, the Federal Government would be suspended permanently and each State would become responsible for itself without the Federal United States Government. This would return power to the States like it was before the United States was formed before adopting the

Constitution. We would be several nations instead of one superpower nation. Have you heard anything about this and is it pertinent to the Lost Tribes study? Thanks, Mark Mosley

Answer: *On the whole Division is not a good thing. The separation of the northern tribes from Judah was described as a terrible calamity the shockingness of which could scarcely be equalled:*

“The LORD will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father's house such days as have not come **since the day that Ephraim departed from Judah**-- the king of Assyria.” [Isaiah 7:17]. The Hebrew original can be understood to imply that **the day** of departure was a day of calamity.

This phenomenon of divisiveness is associated with troubles that will occur in the period preceding the Messianic era. It is considered a curse.

“They snatch on the right, but are still hungry, and they devour on the left, but are not satisfied; each devours his neighbor's flesh,

“Manasseh Ephraim, and Ephraim Manasseh, and together they are against Judah. For all this his anger is not turned away and his hand is stretched out still. [Isaiah 9:20-21].

On the other hand the Bible several times admonishes Judah for seeking too close an association with northern Israel and from learning from its bad example. In some cases separation is a necessity.

Blessings

May HaShem continue to bless your research and ministry, Eddie Chumney, Strasburg, OH, USA.

Dear Yair Davidy, A neighbor lent me a copy of Tribesman 1:4 and I loved it. I am so happy and excited to see that an Israeli Identity believer is seeking the fulfilment of Ezekiel 37:14-19. May HaShem enlighten, strengthen, and bless you, Marisha Hilemon, Toledo, OH, USA.

Shalom, I received information about “The Tribes” from a friend. May you be blessed and prosper in your work. Blessings Louis C., Florida, USA.

God's work

Shalom Yair, You must be doing God's work. He wants me/"us" (wife also) to sacrifice...and to do more than we have in the past to help you. Keep up the good work, JD, Hot Springs, Arizona, USA.

Dreams of Israel

Dear Mr. Davidy,

I have been reading your web site and found it to be most helpful in my gaining understanding of the dispersion of the Tribes of Israel. My mothers side is German and it has always been said that when her grandfather came to America they were told to drop the "S" from their name, "Meyers" because it was the Jewish spelling (they chose to keep the S). My mothers maiden name is Schurmann, her mothers was Meyers and her mother was Berger. The reason I am writing you is up until 5 years ago I had not given Israel a thought. Then I started to have dreams which had to do with Israel and the returning of the Stones. Being a painter I started to paint them. It was then that I found out the Ten Tribes were Lost. I attached one of the visions which is of the Temple and Water flowing from under the door. On the Golden Door is a pomegranate tree with twelve branches. I thought you might like to see it. I am also doing one which is called the singing stones. Then there is the one of the Gathering of the Stones and the Wall being built by the men of Old. Thank you for your web site. Shalom Janet L.

Great Interest

Dear Mr. Davidy

Thank you for sending the book “The Tribes” 2nd edition. It has been received here with great interest... I also thank you for all the research you have conducted on this subject.... Sincerely Gregg J., Nampa, Idaho, USA.

Meaning of Family Name

Dear Mr. Davidy

My family name “Dover” is Scottish. An etymologist told me that it is one of 5 Celtic words to survive intact and is the only proper name. This I do not know but trust her evaluation. As I began studying Hebrew I could not help but noticing [“DeVaR” or “DeBaR” meaning “speaker, spokesman,” or “shepherd” or “leader, manager”]. Interestingly a major publishing company is called Dover Publishing.. Most Sincerely, His Blessings to you, Mrs. Cherie D.

Why Do You Wear a Beanie?

Dear Mr. Davidy

I have read dozens of books and booklets on the subject of the so-called “lost” tribes of Israel and I’m very aware of who we are as Anglo-Saxons descendants.... What I find interesting about you is that you wear a beanie (why?) on your head and you live in Israel... I feel that one day all of the 12 tribes will be in Israel awaiting the Messiah. Do you foresee that happening? Mrs K., MN, USA

Interested in Migrations

Yair Davidy and Rabbi Feld, Thank you for sharing your information so freely... I believe it being done in a correct time and manner. Please find my check to cover cost of printed information and shipping. I am particularly interested in the whereabouts of the descendants of the TRUE kings and priests of Ancient Yisrael, migratory maps and other visuals. Also, in addition to the above, whatever else presents an overview with research. Thank you in advance... Shabbath Shalom, Niki, Libery New York, USA.

Appreciation

Yair, I really appreciate your Lost Tribes work and recommend you to others. Thanks, Jack Flaws, Redway, CA, USA.

Thank you for your excellent research, Betty Jyson, Montgomery, AL, USA.

Dear Mr Davidy, My husband and I are thrilled to learn that there are Jews who know the true identity of the Lost Ten Tribes of Israel. For many years we have known the identity of Great Britain (Ephraim) and the United States (Manasseh), that the Irish and Scots are Danites, the French are Reuben, and that the Dutch are Zebulon. To find out about the other Tribes is truly fascinating. My husband and I have known of the true identity of the Lost Ten Tribes through the writings of the late Herbert W. Armstrong!

We have always felt a close bond and affinity with the Jewish people. Probably because you are our brothers. Thank You, Patricia Mortimer, MS, USA.

Enclosed please find a check for a subscription to your magazine. I look forward to receiving the first issue. ER, Assistant Professor of History, USA.

I’m totally convinced that the recall of Israel is underway. My heart and mind began to stir in 1982. I had this feeling that I had to go home to Israel. (My wife and I had just realized the truth about the Sabbot and accepted [GOD’s] holy day as facts. We were raised Baptist/Methodist. Since then our travels have led us

to a knowledge that the Anglo-Saxons, Celtic, and kinred people are descendents of Israel. Lost Tribes is incorrect. GOD knew who they were all along and where they were at.

Carl J. Burmeister, Longville, LA, USA.

Dear Yair, I enjoy reading your magazine and look forward to the articles about the House of David. I hope all is well with you. I do hope you will give more information about Zebulun in future issues. Where did they stay in Scythia and under which names were they known to history? Is there more known about Sabalingoi? etc., Greetings and God bless, Fred Koeslag, Gouda, The Netherlands.

Dear Sir, Please send me "The Tribes". Enclosed is payment plus a small offering. I enjoy reading the material, although I don't always agree with the conclusions, Yours Truly, Irvin W. Christy, Midland, TX, USA.

Dear Davidy, I want you to know I buy all your books and subscribe to "Tribesman." I am excited about your future books. Can you tell me when your next book will come out? I would like to buy it as soon as it does. What is the title? God Bless You, Billy, KY, USA.

Dear Yair, I have been searching for books of this nature on this specific subject. You don't hear much about books or research covering the whereabouts of the Lost Tribes of Israel and where many migrated to before or after the "Diaspora". This is a subject I have pondered on at times but have not taken much time to pursue. God Bless, Frank Fletcher, MI, USA.

The articles on your internet site are interesting and appreciated, O. Ewing Jones, Texas, USA.

Descendant of Ezra the Scribe

To a son of God's people, Yair Davidy. I am a direct descendant of Ezra the scribe. This genealogy was inscribed on a family tree that was destroyed in the Holocaust along with my grand-uncle. What is your opinion on the Aryans? Are they actually a non-Israelite phenomenon? Yosef M.A. Hawaii, USA.

Answer: "Aryan" is a term applied to white people especially northern ones. In the late 19th century it was believed that the ancestors of all white European nations had come from India or from Central Asia and that some of them had gone from there to Persia and India while others went to Europe. This belief was based on linguistic comparisons and the oral histories of Indian priests. The idea has since been discredited or at least severely circumscribed. Some white peoples are Israelite, some are not. We consider the "Aryan" white peoples of India to be mainly descendants of Ham like most of their dark-skinned fellow countrymen. There may also be descendents of Abraham (through his concubines) and even of Israel amongst some of the numerous different groups in that country. The peoples we recognize as Israelite happen to be white on the whole. We believe this to due to a combination of both hereditary and environment.

Welsh Physical Appearance

Does that explain why several of Welsh people have olive skins and "Indian" looks?? I have always been very curious about them since I have observed the Welsh team at the Commonwealth Games at Brisbane in 1982. I have felt the same for the Cornish people too. Both of them seems to have a mixture of Celtic and Semitic heritage!! Andrew Correll, Australia

Norwegian Interest

From: STEVE M CARLSEN: Shalom; I like this "history" of how all people are from one tribe or the other. Being a 'Carlsen', (Norwegian for Karls Son) I've always wanted to know our family history, mostly the Christian history and the probability that Israel is in our blood. Thanks again and Shalom.

Need For Open Minds

Shalom, I am very happy to have this opportunity to find out more about the "Ten Lost Tribes". I have been wondering for a long time now, having seen the name 'Britam' posted here and there, some with positive comments and others with..well..never mind those who do not care to open their minds to all possibilities. These are the types of people who tend to put G-d in a box. If there is anything I am sure of it is this: After these past few years of diligently seeking to know the G-d of Avraham, Yitzack and Yakov more and more personally as opposed to merely knowing about Him, I have discovered that it is true, "Then shalt thou call, and the L-rd shall answer; thou shalt cry, and He shall say, Here I am" (Isaiah 58:9). And when all is said and done I know beyond a shadow of a doubt there will be many, many, many surprises in that day! In that day, I should think there will be a space of silence in heaven when all things are revealed. The secrets, or should I say "secret" the Almighty has hidden in Himself from the foundation of the world and reserved in His heart until the consummation of the ages will be of such magnitude and magnificence yet simple and plain, that it will cause every living creature to be at a total loss of words or even sound. We will all marvel at the wisdom of His plan, something so hidden and veiled yet I think we will wonder all the more how clear and amazingly conspicuous it has been all along.

The reason I decided to write to you is because now, having read some of your postings about names, I am curious about where my name may come from. You mention many names from Great Britain but you have yet to mention mine, the name of a 'county' in England itself, that is Essex. Essex is my maiden name. We can trace our history back to where some of our family moved from England and settled in the 'New World' in the late 1700s and early 1800s. They first settled in North Carolina but, under the homesteaders act in the mid 1820s under Andrew Jackson, they moved north to Indiana and carved out of the woods farmland, using the native timber to build their barns and houses. That was in 1829 and we have been there ever since, indeed on the same plot of ground! Growing up, I slept in the same bedroom my grandfather Essex did when he was a boy. He (Leonard Alvin) was born in January 1900. He married the daughter (Helen Joann) of a "Norris" (Pete). Her mother's (Maud) maiden name was Miller. My mother (Elizabeth Joann) came from a line called Trimmell. My mother's father (Martin) married an "Andrew" (Nancy Ruth). Sorry to bore you with all the details but I am just wondering if I came from any tribe on either side of the family. If you have ever heard of these names, I would appreciate it if you could let me know whenever it may be convenient to you. I look forward to reading all future posts from the Britam group. Be blessed in your labour of love. Sincerely, Kathy Essex Au

Message from Sweden

Shalom, Twice every month a special radio program about Israel is broadcast from a local radio station here in my home-town of Karlskrona. The program is always concluded by the Israeli anthem Ha-Tikva and lot of Hebrew Jewish songs are played throughout the program. The program is produced by Christian organizations who work and pray for Israel and the Jewish people. It appears like they primarily work with missionary activities but they also send contributions and aid to persecuted Jews in the Baltic states. One of those organizations was founded already in 1885 here in Karlskrona and they have worked continually since then. I listened to the program last week. It was quite interesting. ...They also said however that the Jewish faithfulness to the scriptures has to be admired, and that Christians should learn much from this faithfulness. According to the radio program Christians should feel the same joy as Jews who dance with Torah scrolls every time they open the Bible. Orjan, Sweden

People in Office Interested

I am very interested in your publications... I have appreciated the information I have received through E-mail. It has been very informative. Many of the people in my office have taken copies of the information. Thank you for your efforts and the great work you do.

Sincerely, Doug, MT, USA.



THE LOST TEN TRIBES IN PROPHECY: by Yair Davidy

Transcript from a lecture: In two Parts: Part One:

Introduction: The following lecture will prove that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** migrated to Northwest Europe and settled there and that their descendants are now in those places as well as in North America, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa. This can be proven from historical, linguistic, archaeological, mythological, and related evidence BUT the present talk is going to concentrate almost entirely on proof from the Bible.

Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob were the forefathers of the Israelite people. Promises made by God to the Patriarchs were destined to be fulfilled by their descendants and some of these promises have been fulfilled only by peoples in northwest Europe. This proves that these peoples are descended from them. This subject of the Patriarchs and the Promised Blessings made to them having come about, -will be returned to, -but first we will take about who the **LOST TEN TRIBES** were and how it was prophesied that they would go to western Europe.

Part 1.

The Early Hebrews: Tensions Existed From The First

The first Hebrew was Abraham. Abraham begat Isaac and Isaac begat Jacob who was re-named Israel. Israel had 12 sons who fathered the 12 Tribes of Israel. The Twelve Tribes were Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Asher, Gad, Nephtali, Dan, Joseph and Benjamin. Joseph had 2 sons, Ephraim and Menasseh, who became important Tribes in their own right. Two of the most important tribes were Judah and Ephraim. The Tribe of Ephraim believed it should be the head tribe and there was sometimes tension between Ephraim and the other tribes on this issue. Judah also was an important tribe. Judah headed the tribes in the south and there was also tension between the tribes in the south (headed

by Judah) and those in the north. King David was from the Tribe of Judah and he made Jerusalem the capital city of all Israel. Jerusalem was on the border between Judah and Benjamin. It was Solomon the son of David who built the Temple in Jerusalem.

The Division of Israel

It says in the first Book of Kings (chapter 11) that during Solomon's lifetime it was prophesied that after his death the kingdom of Israel would be split in two and that ten tribes would be headed by Jeroboam the son of Nebat from the Tribe of Ephraim. Jeroboam was an official of king Solomon and in charge of the House of Joseph (11;28) meaning most of the northern Tribes of Israel.. Jeroboam rebelled against King Solomon and fled to Egypt where

he remained until Solomon died. After Solomon died, Rehoboam the son of king Solomon became king.

In 1-Kings, chapter 12, it says:

(12;1) *“And Rehoboam went to Shechem for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him king.*

Shechem was north of Jerusalem, it was in the territory of Ephraim. It continues to say,

(12;2-3) *“And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who was yet in Egypt, heard of it (for he was fled from the presence of king Solomon, and Jeroboam dwelt in Egypt,)*

“That they sent and called him. And Jeroboam and all the congregation of Israel came, and spake unto Rehoboam, saying,

-i.e. When Solomon died, Jeroboam was called back from Egypt, He returned to Israel and was made the spokesman of the Tribes. A delegation of the Israelite headed by Jeroboam came to Rehoboam and asked for an alleviation of duties. They said,

(12; 4-6) *“Your father made our yoke grievous: now therefore make lighter the grievous service of your father, and his heavy yoke which he put upon us, , and we will serve you.*

“And he said unto them, Depart yet for three days, then come again to me. And the people departed.

“And king Rehoboam consulted with the old men , that stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, and said, How do you advise that I may answer this people?”

The elders answered Rehoboam and advised him to give the people a conciliatory answer but Rehoboam would not listen. He went and took alternative advice from the young men whom he had grown up with. The young men advised Rehoboam to give a harsh, negative, and threatening answer.- Just to show the people who was boss!

In the Book of Kings, it says that

(12;12-15) *“And the king [meaning king Rehoboam] answered the people roughly, and forsook the old men’s counsel that they gave him;*

“And spake to them after the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke

heavy, and I will add to your yoke: my father chastened you with whips, but I will chasten you with scorpions.

“Wherefore the king hearkened not unto the people; for the cause was from the LORD....[and it goes on]

Notice the words: **“the cause was from the LORD”** that means that God had His own reasons for bringing these events about. The Bible continues,

(12;16-7) *“So when all Israel saw that the king did not heed them, the people answered the king, saying, What portion have we in David? neither have we inheritance in the house of Jesse: to your tents, o Israel: then Israel departed unto their tents.*

“But as for the children of Israel which dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

From the above we see that the northern tribes rebelled with only Judah and Benjamin remaining faithful in the south.

It says further,

1-Kings 12;19-24: *“ So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.*

“And it came to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was come again, that they sent and called him unto the congregation, and made him king over all Israel: there was none that followed the house of David, but the house of Judah only.

“And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he assembled all the house of Judah, with the tribe of Benjamin, a hundred and eighty thousand chosen men, which were warriors, to fight against the house of Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam the son of Solomon.

“But the word of God came unto Shemaiah the man of God saying,

“Speak unto Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and unto all the house of Judah and Benjamin, and to the remnant of the people saying,

*“So says the LORD, You shall not go up, nor fight against your brothers the children of Israel: return every man unto his house; **FOR THIS THING IS FROM ME.** They hearkened*

therefore to the word of the LORD, and returned to depart, according to the word of the LORD.

We see from the above that the expression “*house of Judah*” included both the Tribes of Judah and Benjamin.

We see therefore also that Judah and Benjamin were faithful to Rehoboam son of Solomon, king of Judah from the house of David. All the rest of Israel rebelled. The House of Judah and Benjamin who remained faithful to Rehoboam were told not to go up to fight against the rebelling tribes in the north,

“FOR THIS THING IS FROM ME.....

“FOR THIS THING IS FROM ME, SAYS THE LORD.....”

The Division was from God who had his own purposes in the Division.

In the same chapter of 1-Kings 12;25-31:

(12; 25-27) *“Then Jeroboam built Shechem in mount Ephraim, and dwelt therein; and went out from there and built Penuel.*

“And Jeroboam said in his heart , Now shall the kingdom return unto the house of David.

“If this people go up to do sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people turn again unto their lord, unto Rehoboam king of Judah.

In Ancient Israel the people were accustomed to go up to Jerusalem three times a year at the Festival times to sacrifice. Jeroboam was afraid that if his subjects continued to go up to Jerusalem they would eventually want to reunite with the House of David and he would lose his kingdom.

(12;28- 31) *“Whereupon the king took counsel and made two calves of gold, and said unto them, it is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold your gods, o Israel who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.*

“And he set the one in Beth-el, and the other put he in Dan.

“And this thing became a sin, for the people went to worship unto one, even unto Dan.

“And he made a house of high places and made priests of the lowest of the peoples, which were not of the house of Levi.

So we see that Jeroboam instituted the worship of golden calves, one in Dan, the other in Beth-el. And he replaced the service of the Levites with that of people from the lower classes. Consequently (it says in 2-Chronicles 11;12-14) that the Levites left the northern kingdom and moved to the south to the kingdom of Judah ruled by Rehoboam.

The Israelites in the Northern Kingdom continued to degenerate and eventually became almost complete pagans.

The Exile: Ahijah the Prophet was given a message by God which he gave to the wife of Jeroboam to pass onto to him (1-Kings chapter 14). What did the message say? It predicted the death of Jeroboam and the exile of Israel:

(1-Kings 14;7-10): *“Go tell Jeroboam..... I will bring evil upon the house of Jeroboam....and will wipe away the remnants of the house of Jeroboam”*

Then it says, further on (verse 15),

“For the LORD shall smite Israel as a reed is shaken in the water, and he shall root up Israel out of this good land, which he gave to their fathers, and shall scatter them beyond the river.

beyond the river -means Beyond the river Euphrates- i.e. to the area of Assyria and the Assyrian Empire.

Why ?? Why?? Why was it prophesied that they would be exiled:

“Because” (says the Bible) *“they have made their groves provoking the LORD to anger.*

Because they had adopted idolatrous practices it was prophesied that they would be taken away, out of their land.

14;16: *“And he shall give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, who did sin, and who made Israel to sin.*

So we see from this that in the time of Jeroboam it had already been prophesied that Israel (meaning the northern tribes of Israel) would be exiled.

Much of the rest of the Books of Kings and the corresponding chapters in Chronicles deal with the separate histories of Judah and Israel: “Israel” being the northern Ten Tribes and

“Judah” being the southern two: Judah and Benjamin. Both groups frequently worshipped foreign gods and went in the ways of the nations around them, then Prophets would come and bring them back to the right path for a time.. On the whole it seems that the Northern Kingdom degenerated more than the southern.

We find more than 200 years after the Division that the Northern Kingdom was exiled.

In Chronicles 5;25-26 it speaks of the Israelite Tribes that dwelt on the other side of the Jordan. The Tribes of Reuben, Gad, and the half-tribe of Menasseh were exiled. The king of Assyria exiled them and took them to places in the northern parts of the Assyrian Empire and settled them there.

“And they transgressed against the God of their fathers, and went a whoring after the gods of the people of the land, whom God destroyed before them.

“And the God of Israel stirred up the spirit of Pul king of Assyria, and the spirit of Tiglathpileser king of Assyria, and he carried them away, even the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, and brought them unto Halah, and Habor, and Hara, and to the river Gozan, unto this day” . (1-Chronicles 5;25-26)

In 2-Kings 15;29, it says, *“In the days of Pekah king of Israel came Tiglathpileser king of Assyria, and took Ijon, and Abel-beth-maachah, and Janoah, and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Gilead, and Galilee, all the land of Naphtali, and carried them captive to Assyria.*

Se we see that the Israelites were exiled from their lands east of the Jordan and also from the whole of the northern part of their kingdom and from Galilee. This left only the area around the city of Samaria in the southern section of the Kingdom of Israel and from here too, they were also exiled:

2-Kings chapter 17, it says, *“...The King of Assyria took Samaria, and carried Israel away into Assyria, and placed them in Hala, and in Habor, and in the cities of the Medes” (2-Kings 17;6).*

-In other words he placed them in the same areas as the other tribes, the tribes from east of the Jordan, had been placed in.

Why did this come upon them?

It continues in the next verses, verses 2-Kings 17;7-17 and tells in detail how the northern Israelites had sinned and served idols and rejected all of the laws and the covenant and went after the people around them and did all bad deeds.

“And they left all the commandments of The LORD their God, and made them molten images, two calves, and made a sacred pole, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served Baal.

“And they caused their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire and used divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to do evil in the sight of The LORD, to provoke him to anger” (2-Kings 17;16-17). So we see, that because they worshipped idols and adopted foreign practices they were exiled.

The exiled Israelites were taken to places in the north of the Assyrian Empire. In their places of exile they became identified with the Cimmerians, Scythians, and Goths. From the Middle East they moved to the north: into Central Asia, Russia, and Eastern Europe and from those places over the course of time they moved westwards. They had split up into different peoples and they migrated at different times due to wars and climatic changes BUT they DID all move to the west and in the end they all converged on the same regions. Historically they can be traced to Northwest Europe and the British Isles.

Lose of Identity: It had been prophesied that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** would lose their identity; that they would be spiritually considered non-Israelites and culturally assimilate to the ways of the nations around them.

“Ephraim is smitten” -says Hosea 9;16-17: *“.....My God will cast them away, because they did not hearken unto him: and they shall be wanderers among the nations”*

In Hosea 7;8 it says “Ephraim, he hath mixed himself among the people....” that is how the KJ translates it. The actual Hebrew is “**Ephraim be-Amim Hue Yitbolel...**” which literally means “**Ephraim will be assimilated amongst the peoples....**”.

Jeremiah (3;8). says- *"Backsliding Israel had committed adultery, I had put her away and given her a bill of divorce"* . Likewise the Prophet Hosea, referring to the Lost Tribes of the Kingdom of Israel, echoed, *"Ye are not my people and I will not be your God,"* (Hosea 1;9).

According to the Talmud (Yebamot 17a) the **LOST TEN TRIBES** were legally classified as *"Gentiles to all extents and purposes"* -even though they were destined to return, at the present time they have the status of non-Jews and that is how it was prophesied their status would be.

The **LOST TEN TRIBES** are frequently referred to in Prophecy as “Ephraim” and in chapter 28 of Isaiah the northern Tribes are condemned because of *"the drunkards of Ephraim"* and it is prophesied that Ephraim shall be punished and it says, *"with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people"* (Isaiah 28;11): This indicates that they would forget their own **language** as indeed they did.—

Historically, it can be proven that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** reached northwest Europe and the British Isles. The Prophets spoke frequently of and to the northern Tribes and they addressed themselves largely to the Ten Tribes in their own time or in the future; They spoke unto the Ten Tribes in the Latter days. From these words of Prophecy it can be discerned exactly where the **LOST TEN TRIBES** are today. On the whole the indications of Scripture (and of the Talmud and Midrashim) are that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** would be associated with each other and in the same general areas. The Prophetic indications should be taken as parts of a whole: For instance, one Prophecy says they are in the west, other

prophecies say in the north, and another says they are in the north and west: So taking them all together we can assume a northwesterly direction from the Land of Israel and then see how this ties up with other signs-of-direction.

LOST TEN TRIBES in The West

It was also prophesied that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** would be in the west.

Hosea 11;9-10: *"I will not execute the fierceness of my anger, I will not return to destroy Ephraim: for I am God, and not man; the Holy One in the midst of you: and I will not enter into the city.*

"They shall walk after the LORD: he shall roar like a lion: when he shall roar, then the children shall tremble from the west.

-From this we see that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** would be in the west.

LOST TEN TRIBES in the north

It was also prophesied that they would be in the north:

Jeremiah the Prophet spoke of the **LOST TEN TRIBES** in the “North Country”:

"In those days the House of Judah shall walk with [in Hebrew: “walk unto”] the House of Israel, and they shall come together out of THE LAND OF THE NORTH to the land that I have given for an inheritance unto your fathers" (Jeremiah 3;18).

Again Jeremiah (16;14-15) says, *"THEREFORE, behold, the days come says the LORD, that it shall no more be said, The LORD lives, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;*

But *the LORD lives, that brought up the children of Israel from THE LAND OF THE NORTH, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again unto their land that I gave unto their fathers"*

From the above expression “**THE LAND OF THE NORTH, and from all the lands whither he had driven them**” it may be inferred that “**THE LAND OF THE NORTH**” is the

main land or area spoken of but other lands are also involved.

Again in Jeremiah (31;8-10) it says: "*Behold, I will bring them from the **NORTH COUNTRY**, and gather them from the COASTS OF THE EARTH, and with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travails with child together: a great company shall return hither.*

"They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of water in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: *for I am a father to Israel and Ephraim is my firstborn.*

"*Hear the word of ye nations , and declare it in the isles afar off, and say He that scattered Israel shall gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd does his flock.*

"*For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of him who was stronger than he. Declare in the **ISLES AFAR OFF**, He that scattered Israel will gather him.."*

The above verses speak of northern Israel headed by EPHRAIM. "**A great company**" meaning very many people is mentioned. The verse in addition to the North Country includes "*isles afar off*" and "*coastlands*" and connects "Ephraim" with all of them.. The expression "*He that scattered Israel will gather him*" shows that the situation referred to is just before the Ingathering in the Last days. The expression "*and gather them from the COASTS OF THE EARTH*" is consistent with the fact that most LTT nations are adjacent to coastlands, -their borders are on the shores of the Sea.

LOST TEN TRIBES in Isles of the Sea

Other verses show that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** are in *in Isles of the Sea*:

Jeremiah in the Bible describes Ephraim as the "Firstborn" and also connects him with "the ISLES": In the verses we just read above from Jeremiah (31;9-10):

"I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the LORD, O ye

*nations, and declare it in the **ISLES** afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him and keep him, as a shepherd does his flock".*

So far we have the west, the north, and we have "isles".

Other Biblical references also appear to indicate that the Lost Tribes (or at least part of them) are in the "Isles":

*"Wherefore glorify you the LORD in the fires, The name of the Lord God of Israel in the **ISLES of the sea**" (Isaiah 24;15).*

*"The **ISLES** shall wait for his law" (Isaiah 42;4).*

"Hearken unto me, MY PEOPLE: and give ear unto me O my nation: for a law shall proceed from me, and I will bring my judgement to rest for a light of the people.

*"My righteousness is near: my salvation is gone forth and mine arms shall judge the people, the **ISLES** shall wait upon me, and on mine arm shall they rest" (Isaiah 51;4-5).*

LOST TEN TRIBES, Isles of the Sea and Tarshish

The **LOST TEN TRIBES** as well as being in the Isles of the sea were also connected with a place called Tarshish:

"Who are these that fly as a cloud and as the doves to their windows?"

*Surely the **ISLES** shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring your sons from far, their silver and their gold with them , unto the name of the LORD your God, and to the Holy one of Israel, because he has glorified you" (Isaiah 60;9).*

The above verse speaks of the "sons" (of Israel) returning "far", from the isles. They are returning by plane, -flying, as it says "*fly as a cloud and as the doves to their windows*". They are also being brought back in "*the ships of Tarshish*" meaning ships plying the Atlantic Ocean.

Historically, "Tarshish" is referred to a major city-port named "Tarsis" or Tartessos and located on the southwest coast of Spain, near

Gibraltar. Tartessos-Tarshish at one stage was part of a maritime domain that had establishments in Britain and Gaul as explained in "Lost Israelite Identity". At least one Assyrian reference to "Tarsis" appears to refer to Britain. In Ancient Middle Eastern Thought "Tarshish" represented the beginning of the Atlantic Ocean expanse.

In Psalms (72;10) "The Kings of Tarshish and of the ISLES shall bring offering", i.e. "The Kings of Tarshish and of the ISLES" are mentioned together. The Aramaic Paraphrase explains that the "Isles" mentioned are those in the "Oceanic Sea". "Oceanic Sea" meant THE ATLANTIC OCEAN according to Talmudic commentators. The Talmud also infers (Hullin 91b) that Tarshish can mean the Atlantic Ocean. The Biblical expression "Ships of Tarshish" means primarily those plying the Atlantic Ocean and therefore the "ISLES" mentioned in association with Tarshish and Israelites are presumably those of Britain, America, and the coastline of Northwest Europe.

The verse THEREFORE says that in the future the SONS of Israel FROM the Isles are going to return in ships of Tarshish meaning ships belonging to Britain or to the USA, meaning at all events ships from the Atlantic Ocean area.

LOST TEN TRIBES, Isles of the Sea, and Colonialism

So far, we have traced the exiled northern Israelites, represented by Ephraim, to the Isles of the sea, to the north and to the west, and to the "Tarshish"-Atlantic Ocean area. Other verses connect the exile of northern Israel with colonial expansion.

Isaiah -49;1-12 is a very important passage since it brings together the various signs of identification that otherwise are scattered throughout Prophecy. Isaiah connects Israel with Isles:

"Listen O ISLES unto me..

"Thou art my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified..

[it continues] *"...to bring Jacob again unto him ..to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give you as a light to the nations, that you may be my salvation unto the ends of the earth.*

" ...and I will preserve you and -[he goes on]- give you for a covenant of the people [in Hebrew: a "Brit-am"] to establish the earth, .to inherit the desolate heritages

"Behold these shall come from far, and lo these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of Sinim". (Isaiah -49;1- 12):

Taking the above altogether, in addition to Isles, we also have a "Brit-am" (Covenant of the people) is spoken of connected with *to "establish the earth, to inherit the desolate heritages".* DESOLATE HERITAGES denote colonialism and the settlement of regions that had been relatively unpopulated such as North America and Australia and even South Africa since many of the Black peoples came to South Africa after the whites had come there.

"I will also give you as a light to the nations, that you may be my salvation unto the ends of the earth.

" I will also give you as a light to the nations," : **"a light to the nations"** means some type of humanising or civilising influence that is also connected with *"Ends of the earth"*.

"That you may be my salvation unto the ends of the earth.": -The term, "ends of the earth" or "end of the earth" is a term frequently connected with the **LOST TEN TRIBES** in Prophecy. "Ends of the earth" denotes Geographical extremities such as the ends of Continental Masses and islands, such as the British Isles, Australia, South Africa, Scandinavia, North America etc.

If you look at a Map you will see that those nations which we believe to contain amongst them substantial numbers of the **LOST TEN TRIBES** are nearly all at the "end" or at the Geographical Extremity of some Continental Land Mass when approached from the Land of Israel which in the Bible is considered the centre of the earth. Literally speaking nearly all of the

LOST TEN TRIBES live at the “ends of the earth”. Taking the land of Israel as the centre with the Continental Masses radiating out from Israel you have Australia at the “end”, at the Geographical extremity, in the southeast. South Africa is in the south, Britain, Holland, Belgium in the northwest, France and North America in the West, Britain and North America also in the northwest, Scandinavia to the North, and the pacific coast of North America to the northeast. All the “ends of the earth” are Israelite!!!

"A LIGHT TO THE GENTILES"

It was said that Israel would be "A LIGHT TO THE GENTILES". *"..Though Israel be not gathered..to raise up the TRIBES OF JACOB, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the END OF THE EARTH"* (Isaiah 49;5-12): Note the phrase "End of the Earth" associated with The Tribes of Jacob who need to be gathered, and also the expression "a light to the Gentiles". It should be realised that despite all the mistakes, corruption, and evil that the Anglo-Saxon nations may have done, they have been a civilising influence amongst the Gentiles (on the WHOLE), and modern "western" concepts of human rights and innate dignity and related values are due to these peoples more than to others. Humanitarian Trends of thought, altruistic motivation and actual reforming measures that are actually workable are often derived from these peoples. At least, they are due to them more than they are due to anybody else. To the extent that the Humanism of modern civilisation is attributable to non-Anglo-Saxon elements then these too are usually from nationalities identified by us as containing a significant proportion of Israelites. French, Scandinavians, Swiss, Dutch, and the Jews, together with the Anglo-Saxons are responsible for most of what good exists in the world today. On a relative scale these nations have the best record for socially-conscious policies in the world.

Isaiah (49;5 -12) continues to say : *"..I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the*

people [i.e. a "BRIT-AM" in Hebrew], to establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages; That you may say to the prisoners, Go forth; to them that are in darkness, Show yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures shall be in high places.

"They shall not hunger nor thirst, neither shall the sun smite them: he that has mercy on them shall lead them even by the springs of water shall he guide them

"Behold these shall come from afar: and lo, these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of SINIM. For the LORD has comforted his people."

The words *"They shall not hunger nor thirst, neither shall the sun smite them"* suggest a moderate well-watered climate. It says the sun shall not smite them but it does NOT say they will **not** be cold: Therefore we may assume that it would be and this fits Britain and Scandinavia.

The expression "Raise up the Tribes of Jacob" and "BRIT-AM" meaning Covenant of the people, is reminiscent of Britain, the Commonwealth, and the **UNION JACK**, "Jack" is short for Jacob. "Union Jack" in Hebrew would be considered synonymous with the same words that mean Covenant of Jacob and it would be written in the same way. The U.S.A. in Modern Hebrew is called "Artsot-HaBRIT" meaning literally "Lands of the Covenant".

The passage of Isaiah (49;8 -12) mentioned a "Brit-Am" i.e. A COVENANT OF THE PEOPLE". A parallel passage in Isaiah 42;6 says *"And give you for a COVENANT OF THE PEOPLE (a "Brit-Am"), for a light to the Gentiles, to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, them that sit in darkness out of the prison house"*. Here a Covenant of the People is associated with the freeing of prisoners. Also in the previously-quoted passage concerning "Brit-Am" (i.e. "Covenant of the People" in Hebrew) the release of prisoners was mentioned *"..say to the prisoners, go forth, to they that sit in darkness, shew yourselves"*. A freeing of the prisoners was mentioned together with inheriting desolate

heritages and a return from afar from the north and the west and from the land of Sinim.

The whole passage can be understood as referring to the Latter Days but it also bears an intermedial sense of surprising historical applicability.

"BRITANIA"

A "BRIT-AM" meaning "Covenant of the People" has a similar meaning to the idea underlying The Commonwealth of Britain, or Commonwealth of NATIONS of the British Empire and also to the concept of a People's Covenant in North American thought. The French have a different though related concept. A "BRIT-AM" ("Covenant of the People") implies duties and rights with the governed having a moral and legal contract with each other and with their governors. The Hebrew Bible's Original Words for "COVENANT OF THE PEOPLE" are "BRIT-AM". "Brit" means covenant and "am" means people [*Similarly we have "Brit-Ish"; "Brit" means covenant and "Ish" means "man", or "belonging to the same", thus "Brit-ish" means "Man of the Covenant" or "Belonging to the Covenant"*].

"Brit-Am": In Hebrew "Brit-am" in the northern dialects and in later spoken Hebrew would have become "Brit-aN" the final "m" being pronounced as "N". Not only that but on the British side the name for Britain itself in old documents was sometimes rendered by the English as "Britammia", in other words as a "Brit-Am". This phenomenon of A "BRIT-AM" meaning "Covenant of the People" being parallel to possible pronounciations of "Britain" and vice-versa could otherwise be considered as entirely co-incident where it not for the fact that all of the other signs given also describe the British Isles and related areas. From Biblical proof alone it can be shown that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** really were to become a "BRIT-AM" (meaning "Covenant of the People") dwelling in Britain, in the British Isles of the Sea..

The "Brit-am" of Isaiah related to the "inheritance of waste heritages" and to the establishment of a land together with the freeing

of prisoners, which connotes the doing of social justice. When Britain first began to colonise America she sent prisoners to serve their sentence there at the end of which they received lands and became settlers. After the American Revolution the same system was applied to Australia. The founding of colonies in Australia and North America by Britain had altruistic motivations. Anyone who studies the Literature of the relevant period sees that in those times there were very limited resources. Life was much harsher and tougher than it is today. Nevertheless, the motivating factors behind colonistaion to a large degree was for good: to re-habilitate prisoners, to give the poor and indigent a chance to support themselves and regain their self-respect, while at the same time hopefully contributing to the welfare of the mother country. The passage spoke of re-settling the "WASTE Heritages". Both North America and Australia were very much underpopulated and could have been termed "WASTE Heritages". North America is north and west of the Land of Israel - Isaiah's standard of reference.

LOST TEN TRIBES and Australia

The verse said, "*Behold these shall come from afar: and lo, these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of SINIM.*" "SINIM" is understood as meaning, "Land of the South" according to the Jewish Commentators e.g. the Aramaic Paraphrase and Rashi. The name of AUSTRALIA is derives from a concept in Medieval European thought. "Australia" in Latin means "South land". The existence of Australia was unknown though suspected. It was thought that a great South Land existed but it was not until a few Portuguese and Dutch sailors followed by captain Cook of England actually sailed there that its existence was confirmed. In the standard Latin (Vulgate) translation of the Bible "the land of Sinim" was translated as "AUSTRALIS" or as "Australia" and was apparently identified with the great South Land whose existence was suspected and which was later identified with the Continent of Australia. A complementary (but NOT

contradictory) meaning to the verses in Isaiah 42 and 49 speaks of early help to the Zionists.

The **LOST TEN TRIBES** have up to now been therefore linked by the Bible with Isles, with the west, with the north country, with coastlands, with the north and west (in Isaiah 49) meaning the NORTHWEST, with a Brit-Am or Covenant of the People, with the Ends of the Earth, with being a light for the Gentiles, a colonising power of desolate areas and of socially-positive motivation, and with the South Land meaning Australia, and there is more to come. When all of these varied elements are considered alltogether it is apparent that the British and the descendants of the British in North America and Australia and other areas are the one group of peoples who DO fit all of the given signs. And they are the only ones who do.

The Scandinavians, Dutch, Belgians, north French, and British are all related to each other and their lands together with that of North America could all be encompassed by the phrase “Eretz Tsafon” meaning North Country wherein Jeremiah located the major section of “Ephraim” meaning the **LOST TEN TRIBES** as a whole. The major branch of these peoples are those of the English-speaking nations in Britain and North America. “Britain” is describable as “Isles of the sea” and North America both with North Country and Tarshish of the Atlantic Ocean. Offshoots of these nations are on the “coastlands” in Europe and at the geographical extremities or literal “ends” of the earth. They are also the main ethnic element in Australia and New Zealand, i.e. in the “Land of Sinim”. Taken as a whole these interrelated peoples are one ethnic and even cultural family and as a whole they do fit every descriptive sign given in the Propetical books of the Bible.

Other points identifying signs in the Bible predict that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** especially Joseph would be wealthy, powerful, enjoyers of good health, of agricultural plenty and mineral resources, and possessors of internationally important strategic thoroughfares. All of these points (and many more) are to be found in the described nations and these additional signs

should be added to those above and considered together with them as parts of a whole. The Northwest European and British-descended peoples are those whom the Bible indicates as being Israelite exiles from the former northern Ten-Tribed Kingdom of Israel which was destroyed by the Assyrians and whose inhabitants were all exiled. Even though we are restricting ourselves at present to Biblical evidence it should be remembered that Historical, archaeological and related studies confirm our conclusions.

LOST TEN TRIBES & Kedar

The **LOST TEN TRIBES** are also linked with “Kedar” which in the Bible was a term for North America.

In Isaiah 42:6 -7 the words are *“I the LORD has called you in righteousness, and will hold your hand, and will keep you, And give thee for a COVENANT OF THE PEOPLES [Hebrew: “Brit-Am”] for a light to the Gentiles, “To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, them that sit in darkness out of the prison house”*. Then he goes on -

Isaiah 42:10-12: *“Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth,*

- “end of the earth” [-notice it] -

“ you that go down to the sea, and all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof.

“Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up their voice, the villages that Kedar does inhabit: let the inhabitants of the rock sing, let them shout from the top of the mountains.

“Let them give glory unto the LORD and declare his praise in the islands”.

So here we have once again, a “Brit-Am” (Covenant of the People), freeing of prisoners and social justice, end of the earth, we have those *“ that go down to the sea”* (i.e. a sea-going people), we have islands, and we have *“wilderness and the cities thereof”* and *“ the villages that Kedar does inhabit “*.

What is “Kedar”? In my book “Ephraim” it is proven that **“Kedar”** refers to North

America wherein descendants of Kedar son of Ishmael somehow reached and settled in the American Continent and intermixed with the natives. The term “Kedar” may therefore be applied to North America. The above verses therefore link Israel with “inhabitants of the isles”, with a people’s covenant [Brit-Am], with seagoers and with North America.

When one reads the words of the Prophets there is much that one cannot understand even after a time BUT there is also much that it is immediately clear and other things that become clear after a while.

Our own study concerning the **LOST TEN TRIBES** helps us better to understand the Bible and furthers our advancement towards achieving a greater awareness of the truth. The Prophets predicted that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** would be at the geographical extremities of the continental land masses i.e. at the ends of the earth, that “Ephraim” would be in Islands, that they would be in the north and in the west and in the northwest, that some of them would be in “The Land of Sinim” meaning Australia, that they would be a “Brit-Am” (A Covenant of the People) and socially-conscious;

they would be sea-goers; connected with Tarshish and the Atlantic Ocean and with “Kedar”, and so on. There were also other Prophecies made concerning the **LOST TEN TRIBES** that were fulfilled and that supplement and confirm those we have already used to show that the **LOST TEN TRIBES** settled in northwest European areas and in regions colonised from Britain and Northwest Europe. Additional proof is to be found in Prophecies throughout the Bible. An important Category of additional Prophecies providing further evidence concerning the **LOST TEN TRIBES** are the Promises made to the Patriarchs.

The second installment of this article (in the next issue) describes how the promised blessings were irrevocable. The Israelites were to number many millions, to have (in most cases) monarchical governments, to be a great and mighty nation, to exercise justice and judgement and to possess “the gates [strategic jumping-off points] of his enemies”.

Curiosities:

CASTAWAYS: LOST WHITE TRIBES

Riccardo Orizio's Book Reviewed by the London Times:

In 1973, the Steve McQueen/Dustin Hoffman film Papillon, about an escape from the infamous French penal colony on Devil's Island was shot in Jamaica. Extras were needed to play the wretched French inmates. The first search was fruitless; the island's whites all looked too well-fed and healthy. Then someone remembered the Germans. In Riccardo Orizio's words, they "only had to play themselves". These Germans were descendants of those taken to Jamaica in the 1830s by a couple of entrepreneurs on the bizarre premise that there might be a labor shortage come the impending abolition of slavery. Ironically, their roles as convict film extras was the first occupation to which they had been truly suited since their unfortunate forefathers arrived. Their story is typical of those of the other white lost tribes Orizio finds, human jetsam stranded by freak tides of history on distant and disconsolate shores:* The Dutch burghers of Sri Lanka, remnants of 17th-century Dutch rule there, are still unwittingly treated as tourists by the indigenous Sri Lankans.* The Confederates in Brazil were refugees from the defeated Southern states at

the end of the American Civil War. Every April they read General Robert E. Lee's letter of surrender, in Portuguese.* There are French who are isolated in Guadeloupe and* Boers who are stranded, with a flag but no state, in Namibia. This is an absorbing, if somewhat loosely structured book, by an accomplished Italian journalist blessed with an outstanding translator in Avril Bardoni. Those displaced groups which are studied have nothing more in common than their sense of isolation and grievance. Theirs are complex, rootless communities, now uncertain that they ever belonged anywhere. If there is anything positive in such a chronicle of unhappiness it is, perhaps, that none has suffered racial discrimination. On the evidence here, white minorities in general fare very much better in black societies than the other way round. For most, the preservation of language is more important as a cultural raft than the purity of their skin colour, their religion more significant than nationality. The sorriest group are the Poles in Haiti who live in "little lost Poland", a remote, Godforsaken enclave without electricity, running water, phone, medical help, cars, shops, school or church. Their ancestors were soldiers dispatched by Napoleon's brother-in-law to put down an uprising of slaves. Two hundred years later they still live in the hope of a white stranger, presumably a Pole, turning up to rescue them. So when Pope John Paul II, Karol Wojtyla, visited Haiti in 1983 they thought their saviour had come. Fifty of them turned up at the airport to explain their predicament and ask His Holiness for help. They are still awaiting a reply. There are Germans in Jamaica who would sympathise.

LOOK TO JUDAISM, BISHOP SUGGESTS

An Anglican bishop is suggesting that people who believe in God should convert to Judaism if they cannot accept the claims of Christianity. The Right Rev Richard Harries, Bishop of Oxford, who is chairman of the Council of Christians and Jews, said: "I would far rather people come to belief in the living God through Judaism than have no spiritual home at all." Bishop Harries's remarks are unlikely to be welcomed in the Church of England, which has reached the end of the Decade of Evangelism without any noticeable increase in converts. Bishop Harries makes his suggestion in *Manna*, the journal of the Sternberg Centre for Judaism in North London, the British centre of Reform Judaism. He says that Judaism is ideal for monotheists who cannot bring themselves to believe in the Resurrection or other aspects of Christianity. At one time, such people became Unitarians. "Now Unitarianism, in this country anyway, has virtually died out. The Quakers, who might offer a spiritual home, admirable though they are, have a distinctive approach which clearly appeals to some but not many. Looking at people's spiritual needs, I see a category of people who are natural monotheists and who cannot believe Christian claims about Jesus but who would love to have a spiritual home. While New Age religions offer some spiritual insights, Judaism offers a tradition, a way of believing and behaving that has been tried and tested for nearly 4,000 years." (The London Times).

ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNION?

(Extract from the *International Herald Tribune - Opinion*)

The Washington quarterly *The National Interest* recently published an article by the distinguished historian Robert Conquest calling for political union of the English-speaking nations. Mr. Conquest is an Englishman, a poet as well as a historian, now installed in California at the Hoover Institution. His article proposed that Britain and the United States form a political association or federation together with Canada, Australia and New Zealand. He thinks that this would be a "natural rather than artificial grouping

"since it goes "with the cultural grain" of the participating nations rather than across it, which he says is the case with the European Union.

He compares the European Union to such unsuccessful past multinational federations as the Soviet Union, Yugoslavia and the United Arab Republic, expressing belief that it will in the long term be destroyed by the nationalism of its member states. That displays a considerable underestimation of the European reconciliation that already has taken place at nearly all levels of society since the 1950s, and of the moral consequences of the political rupture produced by the two world wars. Mr. Conquest has been in California too long. Nonetheless, what about the argument for a federation of the English-speaking peoples? It has been around for a long time. A book that the late Edmund Stillman and I published in 1964 included a plea for just such a union or federation of the English-speaking states. Washington had -and has - larger ambitions, and considered Britain and Canada already acquired. Britain had turned its back on Australia and New Zealand, while attempting to cultivate the favor of the U.S., for reasons that even then seemed an abdication of self-interest.

The turn away from what then was called the "white Commonwealth" has yet to find its historian, although such revisionist writers as the late Alan Clark and the academic historian John Charmley have argued that Britain perversely subordinated its interests to those of the U.S. during World War II. Mr. Charmley writes that under Winston Churchill's leadership (his mother, of course, was an American), Britain willfully abandoned its imperial interests to appease the U.S. because Churchill possessed a romantic vision of eventual union of the English-speaking peoples. The United States unsentimentally pursued its interests at Britain's expense. A poll in June 1942 found that 60% of Americans thought the British to be "oppressors."

One reason why the U.S. Navy resisted Franklin Roosevelt's decision to give the war in Europe priority over the Pacific War was that the Navy Department traditionally held that American and British Empire interests could never coincide. One of Roosevelt's war aims was to see the European empires ended. During the war, Canada, Australia and New Zealand made enormously large troop contributions, in proportion to their populations, to British forces in the desert war and in Northern Europe, and to the air war and battle of the Atlantic. In the summer of 1940, after Dunkirk, the only effective military unit in Britain to defend against German invasion was a single Canadian division. Afterward, Britain seemed indifferent to any strengthening of Commonwealth links. Toward Europe, British policy under the postwar Labour government, according to Churchill's private secretary, Anthony Montague Browne, was to "embrace destructively." Everything was pinned on the American tie. It was a curious policy, which won no particular favors from Washington, as the Suez adventure demonstrated. After Britain joined the EEC in 1973, European arrivals in Britain joined the short line at immigration while Australians, New Zealanders and Canadians queued up with the Japanese. The revival of the idea of English-speaking union comes much too late, and one understands why Hugo Young, columnist for *The Guardian*, calls it "the last blast of a perverted Anglo-Americanism which has become a parody of itself." Nonetheless it has prompted discussion in Britain. There even has been a book, from the trendy New Labor camp, enthusiastically proposing that Britain become an American state - ignoring whether the U.S. would want such an odd encumbrance. English-speaking union is promoted by the Canadian press lord Conrad Black through his London newspapers, and finds support from Margaret Thatcher and others hostile to the EU and nostalgic for the wartime alliance. In the United States, the idea has attracted a few elderly fellow nostalgics but otherwise is going nowhere. The Atlanticist generation is dead or dying, and for most younger Americans Britain, like the rest of Western Europe, is part of Disneyland.

TRADITION IS BEST, HAGUE TELLS ISRAEL

from The London Times

Nation states are doomed if they ignore tradition and place their faith in the new technologies of the modern world, William Hague said yesterday. He said that democracy and freedom in Britain would be threatened if the Government continued to undermine the country's institutions. Those arguing for Britain to join the single currency said it would increase Britain's influence - "but if it undermines our free economy, it will undermine our biggest source of influence, the power of example". He said politicians had to do battle against the "foolish idea" that the nation could not survive the 21st century. "The very forces that are always cited as making the nation obsolete are in fact those that make it essential," he said.

Speaking during a six-day trip to Israel, the Tory leader told the British Israel Chamber of Commerce in Tel Aviv that nations had to keep their nerve in the face of global pressures to conform. He pointed out that both Britain and Israel understood that the relative size of a country had no necessary bearing on its influence.

"Britain and Israel alike understand that power and size are not the same thing," he said. He used yesterday's speech to hold up Israel's example of a nation struggling against the odds as an example to all others. Mr Hague said he was often accused of defending all that was small, narrow and petty when he stood up for the nation. But, on the contrary, he was defending much that was "great and large and generous in life. And the people of Israel know more than this. They know that when they are defending the nation they are defending life itself."

The Messiah Son of Joseph and the Lost Ten Tribes

in Jewish Sources and Especially in Those Attributed to Elyahu of Vilna

In Jewish tradition the concept of Messiah is derived from the concept of "Mashiach" meaning "anointed one". In times of war, a special priest, for instance was "anointed" to declare before the soldiers their God-ordained duty to fight bravely. The kings were ALSO anointed. The idea of an anointed savior is contained in the Prophets. This "messiah" was to be descended from King David. He was to be the "Messiah son of David," – MSD for short.

In addition a tradition existed that MSD would be preceded shortly before or accompanied by a "Messiah son of Joseph," – MSJ for short.

MSJ was to be a descendant of Joseph from the Tribe of Ephraim. According to the Biblical Commentary known as the Malbim (1809-1879). MSJ was to head the Lost Ten Tribes in the latter days in the period leading up to the return of the Lost Ten Tribes [i.e. "LTTs] and their eventual re-unification with Judah.

It should be noted that belief in MSD is an article of faith. It is considered to be an integral part of Prophecy and anybody who denies the coming of MSD is denying Prophecy. On the other hand belief in MSJ though strong and advocated by leading Biblical Commentaries still remains a matter of opinion contingent on how one understands the sources. Even so,

notions concerning MSJ are largely derived from a fine interpretation of Biblical passages supplemented by traditions. MSJ is connected with the LTTs. I personally believe in the coming of both MSD and MSJ. However, even if one remains not completely convinced concerning the eventual coming of MSJ there is much to learn from what was said about him since he is identified with Joseph and the LTTs. What was said about MSJ is also pertinent to how the LTTs are viewed and their task in the Latter Days.

The traditional Aramaic Translation of the Prophets (Targum Yehonathan on Exodus 40:11) traces MSJ to Joshua the son of Nun. Other sources say he is a descendant of Jeroboam the son of Nebath (Zohar Chadash, Balak 56b) who led the northern Ten Tribes into exile and broke away from the House of David (1-Kings chapter 12). MSJ the descendant of Jeroboam will thus rectify the sin of his ancestor by re-uniting with Judah.

MSJ was in later generations taken to represent an historical process in which the Jewish people return to their land and rebuild themselves by natural means. Later MSD would appear and impart a spiritual dimension to what the process associated with MSJ had prepared. This does not nullify the belief that MSJ is to be a real person it merely supplements it. MSJ was to appear before MSD and therefore in some of the extracts below MSJ is referred to as “The First Redeemer.”

The following points concerning MSJ are collated from the book “Kol HaTor” (“The Voice of the Turtledove” as given in *HaTekufah Hagedolah* by Rabbi Menachem M. Kasher) which is a collection of the sayings of **Eliyahu of Vilna** in the eighteenth century and his followers about MSJ. Rabbi Elyahu of Vilna is considered to have been one of the greatest Rabbis of all time. Anything he said was based on Biblical or related sources.

Similar to Cyrus king of Persia

[1.6.1] MSJ is similar to Cyrus the Persian Monarch who encouraged the Jews to return from Babylonian Exile and rebuild the Temple. Cyrus in some respects may be considered a forerunner of MSJ. Verses associated with Cyrus (Isaiah 42) are actually to a degree applicable to MSJ. In the Bible references to “Zion” (usually found in juxtaposition with “Jerusalem”) from one aspect hint at Joseph or MSJ. MSJ will be revealed little by little. MSJ in some sources is referred to as “Messiah son [descendant] of Ephraim.” MSJ is associated with the saving of lives and rescue and in this he is assisted by Judah or by MSD. MSJ is connected with the ingathering of the exiles.

Our Prayers Are Needed

[1.24] “With our deeds and prayers we shall come to the aid of MSJ. Through our exertions with all our might of self-arousal [arousal from below as distinct from arousal from heaven] we will achieve the union of the two messiahs, MSJ and MSD, ‘the stick of Joseph and the stick of Judah.’ First they will be one in your hands and afterwards they will be one in my [God’s] hand.” (chapter one p. 479).

Comes From the North

[2.11] “His glory is like the firstborn of his bull” (Deuteronomy 33;17). He comes from the north side and will be aroused by himself.

Defeats Esau

[2.17] The guardian angel of Esau will be pulled down by the guardian angel of Joseph (see Obadiah).

Paralleled by Mount Zion

[2.32] “Mount Zion on the sides of the north” (psalms 48;2). What happened to Zion happened to Joseph according to the Midrash Tanchuma. The MSJ is in the north according to the Midrash. Zion in [some respects] equals Joseph.

Expands Borders of Israel, Wars Against Amalek

[2.36] “Enlarge the place of your tent and let them stretch forth the curtains of your habitations...” (Isaiah 54;2). The commandment to expand the borders is part of the task of MSJ as the commandment of God to Jonah which contained aspects of MSJ, to return the border of Israel (2-Kings 14). ...His duty involves the war against Amalek and of expanding the borders versus destruction.

Unrecognized by Judah and His Brothers

[2.39] “And Joseph knew his brothers but they knew him no” (Genesis 42;8). This is one of the aspects of Joseph not only in our generation but in every one.. The MSJ recognizes his brothers but they do not recognize him. Satan conceals the characteristics of MSJ so that the steps of the messiah remain unrecognized and due to our sins are regarded with contempt.. If it was not for this there would be an end to our troubles. If Israel [i.e. the Jews] would recognize Joseph, that is the traces of MSJ, that is the ingathering of the exiles, then we would already have received a complete redemption.

Ingathers the Exiles

[2.40] “His [i.e. Joseph’s] bow abode in strength” (Genesis 49;24). This should be an important principle for us. We have to stand obstinately strong in the holy work of gathering in the exiles which is the task of the first redeemer [i.e. of MSJ].

Purifies the Land of Israel

[2.41] “And Joseph was governor over the land” (Genesis 42;6). This means he will overcome all the forces of impurity. This is one of the great tasks of the First Redeemer [MSJ]: to extirpate the spirit of impurity from the country by means of settling the Holy Land. When the Holy Land is unsettled [by Israelites] a spirit of impurity settles over it.

Joshua ben Nun Was a Forerunner

[2.44] The First Redeemer [MSJ] fights against Amalek with total warfare... This was the task of Joshua ben Nun who was [a forerunner and ancestor of] the Messiah Son of Joseph.

Aroused by Elijah

[2.71] “Behold I will send you my prophet Elijah...and he will return the hearts of the fathers to their sons” (Malachi 3). One of his tasks is to arouse the spirit of the MSJ.

Causes Non-Israelite Nations to Repent

[2.75] Arouses to Repentance – Not only Israel but also the Peoples of the World. Jonah the Prophet had the aspect of MSJ in his generation. His task is, “to rebuke many nations” (Isaiah 2).

Turns Defeat Into Victory

[2.91] The characteristic of MSJ is that out of tribulation he brings salvation.

An Aspect of MSJ exists in Each Generation

[2.92] The Messiah ben Joseph [MSJ] exists in each generation...Mount Zion represents Joseph..What happened to Joseph happened to Zion (Tanchuma).

The Heavenly Ladder

[2.97] A ladder on the ground and its head reaching to heaven (Genesis 28). This is an aspect of Joseph as is known. What happened to Jacob happened to Joseph. All of his deeds were an arousal from below with an accompanying assistance from heaven. Joseph was the son of Jacob and Rachel and had characteristics of both.

The Two Sticks Must be Joined Through Our Initiative!

[2.101] Ezekiel (37) speaks of the stick of Joseph [and Judah and the union of Judah with Joseph]. This concerns MSJ. The Redemption is dependent on the union of the two sticks, the stick of Joseph with the stick of Judah. These are the two Messiahs, MSJ and MSD. [It says: “Join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in your hand” (Ezekiel 37;17)]. At first it comes about through arousal from below by way of nature [through our actions] as it says, “Join them one to another into one stick.” And afterwards in a miraculous manner, “they shall become one in *Your* hand” meaning in the hand of God!

Ingathers Exiles, Rebuilds Jerusalem, Settles the Wilderness

[2.117] The rulership of Joseph overcomes all impurity. The task of MSJ is to remove the spirit of impurity from the Land through the ingathering of exiles, rebuilding Jerusalem, and the planting of the wilderness.

Ransoming Captives

[2.118] “And the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion” (Isaiah 35;10): The task of ransoming captives belongs to MSJ who performs it by ingathering the Exiles...The Major Ingathering of Exiles cannot be less than 600,000...They will come with rejoicing and happiness.

Reveals Secrets of the Torah

[122] “And Pharaoh called Joseph’s name Zaphenat Paneah” [i.e. Uncover of Secrets] (Genesis 41;45). One of the tasks of MSJ in each generation is to reveal the secrets of the Torah.

Horns of a Unicorn

[131] “His horns are the horns of a unicorn with which he strikes the peoples” (Deuteronomy 33). The main task of MSJ is the everlasting war against Amalek.

Dan Assists

[150] The Prince of Dan will assist MSJ.

We Must Do Our Utmost

[p.453] “We have to do our utmost for the sake of the union of the two Messiahs, MSJ and MSD, the stick of Joseph and the stick of Judah [that Ezekiel described as uniting]”.

**<<Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim and for all the house of Israel his companions:
<<And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand”**
(Ezekiel 37;16-17).