

Timeless Teachings

TEACHING ON ISRAEL AND THE CHURCH

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The Missing Link in Christianity Part 2 CFI Conference Message

“A chain is only as strong as its weakest link.”

This phrase was coined around the 18th century and it articulated something very significant for believers.

Why is it important for Christianity, which according to the latest Pew Report is the world's largest faith community with an estimated 2.2 billion followers of Jesus (that's nearly 1/3 of all the people on earth).

Since Christianity has already established and grown to be the largest faith community anywhere, I believe pointing out a major missing part of the faith is significant to a person's personal belief and needs serious study.

- What is meant by “another gospel”? (Gal. 1:6-8). It was a Jewish Apostle who said *“if we...preach*

any other gospel than that which, we the Jews, have preached, let him be cursed.” The Jews were teaching from the only Scriptures they had, the Torah (OT). Why did the Jewish prophet Isaiah tell us that we are never to be separated or say we want to be separated from Israel, God's People? *“Neither let the son of the stranger, that hath joined himself to the LORD, speak, saying, The LORD hath utterly separated me from his people...”* (Isaiah 56:3).

- Why did Jesus repeat several times in the New Testament His family background, where He came from, and that His People were to be counted as imperative for salvation? We will speak about this.

What He stood as, and what people did He count as supreme importance to salvation?





When a Christian speaks against Israel, they belittle, the Jewish Apostles, who were Jews. They do not recognize the Psalmists, the early Jewish church and when they change Jesus to fit their own culture or society it is an affront to Jesus, and a warped view of who He really is. Historically, the Church distorted Jesus and did not face the reality He is a Jew! Period.

If I am talking to someone who has a warped view of the French, or the Scottish, or the Swiss people, then this person, without knowing it, is talking against my husband and I...because they are all a part of our family heritage. It would be pretty insensitive and hardhearted, showing no concern for our feelings.

Jesus told his disciples in Matthew 7:23 "Depart from me, I never KNEW you!" The Hebrew word for knowing is YADA.

The idea of "knowing" in Hebrew thought is one can only "know" someone if they have a personal and intimate relationship with someone. Have you ever heard anyone say "I lived with someone for a long time but I never really knew him...or her, I never really got close to them." This means that one of them kept to themselves and really never got close enough to really understand the other person - something like a bride getting married to a groom, but never really knowing him, or her, because they don't really know anything about their family background...they never took the time to "check it out." If they had, they would have understood their mate better, because they would know how they were brought up, how they were taught, why they talk the way they do and act the way they do.

So it is, with the Church

They say they know Jesus but for years we travelled and heard "I've been a Christian all my life but I never knew Jesus was a Jew!" "My Jesus: a Jew, never! The image of the Jewish people has been distorted and Christians don't even know that they are as if they were talking against Jesus Himself!

Jesus said "Considering you have done it (good or bad) unto the least of these (my brethren, or bros) you did it to ME!!! There was no church at the time He spoke this... so it can't mean other Christians, the Jews were the only people calling each other "brethren"...so here we have Jesus saying "you did that to my family--you did it to me!" I never

"knew" you...and furthermore, you never "knew" me! If you had known me, you would have loved my family.

This missing link of misunderstanding (or not understanding) Israel is significant because that which is missing in most of Christianity is the lynchpin or keystone, if you like...it is the foundation on which we base our belief. And our Christian Education books barely give it a mention.

If we don't continue to work to help others discover this "missing link," the way of life which the Master and Soon Coming King (Jesus) will never fully understand His Second Coming and why He's coming. It is not just to receive us to Himself, but He is going to set up a Kingdom here on earth, right here in Jerusalem. The part about the Coming Kingdom is rarely spoken about in today's churches.

If I bake a loaf of bread, but leave out the flour, I am omitting a main ingredient. If a family member goes missing - that family is not complete without them until they find them again; and put them back in their rightful place: the family tree.

Our **salvation** through Israel's Messiah, required Jesus to be **born of Jewish stock** (in the flesh) to be the real Messiah. He could not have been born gentile. By disregarding Israel, the Church gives no bedrock understructure to support its claims of Jesus being Messiah.

Christianity's chain of faith is a bit anemic and in a lethargic state in some areas of the world - often too comfortable and unresponsive.

We see western churches cozy and sheltered in various degrees of luke warmness.

Now in the church in developing countries or persecuted ones...great numbers are asking for more education and information on their Hebrew roots and foundations and wanting to learn about Israel and even Hebrew but in Europe and America it is not the case.

Christianity hit the rails as soon as the original apostles died. The young "Church" was educated in Greek which was immersed in philosophic ideas, particularly Plato, many heresies and the traditional "tendencies" to allegorize Scripture, would never have reached the speed it did which is almost unbelievable.

The Hebraic roots of the original olive tree that supports us from underground - **would have helped Christianity preserve, and cherish, a certain spiri-**



tual richness that it is missing today in many of our churches...but... instead, history reveals clearly that Christianity basically abandoned its roots!

Ben Rubin in his in comprehensive book, *What is Repentance?* sums it up. He writes, *"The Church is guilty of willingly choosing blindness toward the Jewish people. It pretends to exist without the original/Hebraic olive tree. He says, without Israel there is no Church."*

It is written: *"It is not us who supports the root, but the root supports us."* (Romans 11:18).

It is a bedrock link in the chain which is missing in the faith of a lot of Christian communities is definitely: Israel.

It is one thing for "us" to know it, but another thing to figure out how we can be used in more effective ways to bring Israel to light in our churches especially when often there seems to be a minimal amount of interest at all in Israel.

In the temple of Shlomo=Solomon, he created wreaths of chain work – like the links of a chain. He had them put on the top of the pillars. (2 Chron. 3:16). I do not know what they represented to him, **but to me the chain work was not only decorative but represents the true Israel of God and the redeemed from the nations of the world linked together for the purposes of the Coming Kingdom on earth--the coming Capital of the World: Jerusalem.**

Today, Judaism and Christianity have two **"settled identities"** like two brothers in a family neglecting one another for years.

After the "chain" which kept them as a family – snapped, a long separation of the Jewish synagogue from followers of the "Way" began. Rabbi Daniel Boyarin in his extensive study of history says, "the difference between Jews and Christians just didn't exist in the early centuries as it does today." We know followers of Yeshua worshipped with the Jewish people in the synagogues when the apostles were alive.

When the connecting chain snapped – it created "a parting of the ways."

The Temple had once been a unifying place, then following its destruction in A.D. 70, new ways were developed to secure each other's "identity".

The Jewish people held a Council similar to that of the Christian Nicean Council. Rabbi Yochanan Ben

Zakai held a Council at Yavneh, and set new rules. The chain was broken for sure.

And our forefathers saw to it, that from the Nicean Council which was held that teaching **Replacement Theology** tore us from our roots.

The Church then entered into centuries of false teachings, the most lethal was Replacement. It has made Christendom weaker than it looks, in view of the missing link. Some Christian pastors today are downright hostile towards Israel. Just last week there was an article in Israel Today magazine entitled **"Christian Evangelist calls on Christians to repent for standing with Israel."**

Thank God, we got it right when it comes to Jesus as Savior and Lord, hallelujah...but the "Church" must be careful not to take Israel so -----"I couldn't care less" or "indifferently" – and in a few moments **you will know why!**

Derek Prince used to tell us "We owe the Jewish people a great debt" ...because they gave us all we possess.

The link in the chain fell out when the Church accepted everything from the Jewish people – except the Jewish people. It basically kicked them out – It didn't want them.

After the death of the last Jewish Apostle, the new gentile Church said "we have the way" ... and it arrogantly declared it did not need Israel anymore.

But does that make us blind to the fact that Paul tells the followers of Jesus in Romans 11:18 **"do not boast against the branches?"** When one boasts they brag about their accomplishments or what they have done – with no concern about giving credit to others.

It is a gross sin to boast like this against Israel, but we hear a lot:

"we're not under the law,"
"we don't like Judaisers,"
or "we are the "new" Israel!"

If you do not remember anything tonight accept what I am about to tell you next, this is important.

I quote from a an informative article which David Silver, a Jewish brother here in Israel, wrote in the Kehilah News last year. It is a golden Hebrew nugget which you need to tuck away in your treasury of spiritual learning because when you realize the consequential and significant mistake that has been made in our Bibles, because of translation.



Right at the beginning of the Bible, one of the very first issues God addresses is that He gives mankind an option which they can take or leave-----to either bless or curse His Chosen People. He explains what He will do for them if they bless them, and what He will do to them if they curse them. *“I will bless those that bless you and I will curse those who curse you”* Genesis 12:3.

But, David teaches us beyond the English translation...he looks at the meanings behind the world... he returns to the original Hebrew text, the language of the Bible.

The first part of the translation in the King James is correct in English - it is the second part which is mistranslated.

Let me explain:

God promises in the first part of the verse: “I will bless those who bless you.” We got that right.

But about the mistranslation: David points out that in the 2nd part of the verse, (Genesis 12:3) most translations say *“and I will curse those who curse you.”*

The original Hebrew text however uses to different two Hebrew words for the first time curse is used and the second time curse is used. The first word for curse is **ARAR**, which means “to curse or destroy.”

The second word for curse in the Hebrew translates to KALAL which means “to make light of.” “The first word is ARAR, which does mean “to curse or destroy,” but the second word is KALAL, which means “to make light of.” Therefore, the correct translation of the verse carries an even more serious warning. The God of Israel is warning that *He will curse or destroy those who take Israel lightly or who treat Israel as unimportant.*

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I will bless those who bless you, curse those who curse you (1st time) and destroy those who make light of you! (2nd use of the word).

Another popular author made a strong case of God taking issue with nations that mistreated the Jewish people, from The Roman Empire under Constantine to the British Empire, which lost most of their land after giving away 80% of the land they promised to

the Jewish people. Israel is the apple of God’s eye (Zech 2:8) and, while we don’t believe that Israel is perfect, she does have a special calling and destiny and the nations (and Christians) should think twice before ‘cursing’ or even ‘making light of her’!

For example, young and older people in the pews today say:

“Israel? I’m not interested.” “Why do I need to know anything about the Jews, they killed Jesus, God’s finished with them!”

“The Jews? They are under the “Law.”

The Jews, they are cursed for killing Jesus.”

“The Old Testament? “throw it in the Trash Bin!”

These are actual mind sets out there in the (mind-sets) coming from folks we love and know...**because of a lack of understanding Hebrew and often the deeper meanings behind the words.**

This results in taking Israel “lightly” ...to brush it off, overlook it, turn a blind eye or a deaf ear.

How about the evangelist? “Repent if you have helped Israel.” Thousands have either heard him or read about what he said! He may have influenced many!

You not only get cursed but destroyed=which means eradicated or “cut off” as Paul tells us in Romans 11:22. (If we don’t show the same mercy to the Jewish people, that God showed to us when we were yet sinners, we will be “cut off”).

Watch the next time someone rolls the eyes when you bring up Israel, or changes the subject. It is not as simple as they might think.

So then, the correct translation of Genesis 12:3 **carries a more serious warning.** The God of Israel is warning that He will take very serious measures to those ignoring her! **If you take away nothing else tonight from this message - take this to heart and share it with your friends who love Jesus.**

Also it would then pertain to those who take lightly God’s Promises **to build** Jerusalem, **to rebuild** a nation that had been broken down.

But you say “Israel isn’t so holy” ...”the Jews are so full of worldly ways” ...”they are not what I expected”true. They aren’t - neither is the Church.... but I tend to think, as I’ve seen so many times that when the chips are down, everyone here pulls together and they know how to cry out to God.



By the way, the best way for Christians to fulfill the blessing is to stand with them as the world comes against them, and praying and interceding for Israel's protection, for the return of all Jewish people to the Land (Ezekiel 36:8-10), and salvation for all Israel (Romans 11:27). Israel is strong because it is God's Chosen nation and God has not changed His Mind about His People - no matter how disobedient they may sometimes be.

Recently, American Ambassador to Israel David Friedman spoke at a Friends of Zion conference. In his message, he said.

Speaking about the growing strength of Israel, he said:

Israel has one secret weapon that not a lot of countries have, **Israel is on the side of God**, and we don't underestimate that." (In other words, Israel is fighting God's battles here on earth...she is actually defending His Decision to bring His Kingdom to earth and Jerusalem is His Choice.

Ambassador Friedman did not say God was on the side of Israel, but that Israel was on the side of God - **the same belief and faith as we have.**

He went on to say "Billions of people around the world accept the Torah (OT) as part of their faith (obviously he meant Christian).

Most of the prophecies are about the return of the Nation of Israel to their Land. And it is happening in our lifetime. The fact that God has fulfilled His prophecies and delivered the People of Israel to their Land is demonstrably true.

Israeli Prime Minister Bibi Netanyahu speaks about the Bible and Israel's right to the Land a lot to the United Nations. Ambassador to the UN Danny Danon just spoke at the UN and said "The Bible is our Title Deed to the Land (as He held it up in front of everyone).

I think many who do not take the Jewish nation, lightly...realize the nation has a destiny...and want to also say "**We are also on the side of God!**" ...and **here we will stand.**

We need to continue on this marvelous journey with Israel and to help other believers realize that **we are not the root. Israel is.** How many of us tonight have heard a sermon on this lately?

The Church carried the banner of spiritual superiority for centuries...but in these end times, I be-

lieve, it needs to allow Israel to also carry the banner, and be found standing beside her when Yeshua returns.

Oh yes, we need a Redeemed Israel, one whose hearts are open to the Coming King, it will happen....God has it all planned out.

A Reformation is needed that will overrule **Replacement Theology** and give back Israel her rightful place and accept a resolution that we are INCLUDED in the Commonwealth of Israel (**Inclusion Theology**).

We have been included in the number, to the coming Commonwealth of Israel (the kingdom of the Israel of God) through Jesus Christ ...the "one new humanity that will come forth. **It means we "join them" as a people, it is not them who "join us" or our church.**

Christians need to see we embraced Israel's Messiah, Our Savior, and converted from paganistic beliefs to the One True God through faith in Jesus, our High Priest. **He brings us into the Commonwealth not as strangers but as fellow citizens** in the Coming Kingdom. Well meaning Christian marchers with plans to come to Jerusalem to set up a Christian Kingdom are in for a shock. Well meaning groups who plan to march to Jerusalem and make this land a Christian Kingdom, had better ask the security guards and border patrol if their plans are ok before they try to enter Israel. If they would study the Kingdom Jesus taught us about through Jewish eyes...they might see that the book of Revelation is a very Jewish book describing a very Jewish kingdom ahead.

Christ must always be the Center, that is the Rock we stand upon...just don't expect the Jewish people to join another religion...the Jewish people will never do it. On the other hand, when Messiah returns, I believe a revelation something like Joseph to His Brothers, or "have you been here before?".... will trigger a sincere and deep repentance that will astonish most people of just how deep a Jew mourns when they are truly repenting. The sooner we learn this, the easier it will be to understand the future redemption of Israel and the "**one new humanity (Jew and nonJew) under Messiah's rule.**

According to the Didache, the 1873 rediscovered teachings of the twelve original apostles found in Istanbul in a monastery, the manuscript having been hidden away and forgotten...it was found in a monastery in Istanbul. The Didache had enjoyed a



wide circulation in the early church...but somewhere around the 5th century, the work disappeared. I love reading and studying how these "voices from the past" taught the gentiles the Master's "Way of Life." I encourage any serious Bible student to get a copy of it from First Fruits of Zion in the Bram Center in Jerusalem...for NIS 50 shekels you have a goldmine to share with others of what the original apostles taught the non-Jewish believers.

So, I personally do not believe Jesus ever wanted **His followers to disconnect from His Brethren... but it happened.** It went completely against Isaiah 56:3. **Let no foreigner who is bound to the LORD say, "The LORD will surely exclude me from his people. (King James) "separate me."**

Reading the Didache makes one feel they are traveling back in time. You feel as if you are sitting at the feet of the earliest Jewish disciples of Yeshua as they taught what daily Torah life should look like for gentile believers...in its Jewish context.

They indeed sought to bring the message of the Kingdom of Heaven to the nations. It is a beautiful study for discipleship classes and learning Torah.

It helps navigate the way through the obligations of discipleship and Torah life **while allowing us to maintain our identity alongside the Jewish people.** It is all about making choices every day that keep us on the right path. The Didache was meant to introduce gentiles into the world of Jewish monotheism, belief in the One True God and but the Orthodox Church discarded the book as no longer applicable to Christianity, after all it had to maintain its separate "identity".... separation from the Jewish world.

We are in need of another Reformation which includes Israel. The first Reformation threw her out... the next one needs to bring the redeemed from the nations INTO the Commonwealth of Israel—through Jesus Christ the King.

Sadly, we see Israel still omitted from our Christian Education curriculums and never really becoming a part of it.

So this is what we presently face. And the errors needs correcting. Reading, and understanding all of Romans Chapters 9, 10 and 11 in depth (especially as a pre-requisite for training leaders) will help to come to grips with helping others to see what the Church really is missing.

The New Testament quotes the Torah/*Tenach* of

what was required for Messiah to come (i.e. how He would be born of a virgin, the place of his birth in Bethlehem, the time of his death, and His setting up a kingdom in Jerusalem!)

Joseph Farah of World Net Daily (by the way he is extremely ill and needs prayer from a severe stroke)...he wrote a book recently about **a Jew** ruling the world from Jerusalem. Something the world and the anti-Semites do NOT like to hear. A Jew ruling the world????? Not just any Jew...but the one who is the Lion of the Tribe of Judah.

The Lion of the Tribe of Judah felt it important to leave us with **His Last Words** in the book of Revelation to bring to mind His Jewish heritage. At the end of the book of Revelation 22:16, He felt to tell us He is "a Jew."

When Dan Pearl was beheaded a few years ago by ISIS, his last words were: "I am a Jew."

"I am a Jew" is paraphrasing Jesus' Words which actually say: **"I am the Root and the Offspring of David" ...the taproot, the seed, the family, the child and successor of David's Throne.**

Before He spoke those words He had an encounter with the woman from Samaria at the well. He had no problem telling her who He identified with in John 4:22. "WE JEWS know what we believe!"

So why haven't we heard more about Jesus' background, and His manhood in our churches? Two reasons:

1. **Because minds often are not open to it.** It has been said a mind is like a parachute. It doesn't work if it isn't open.

2. We can't blame our pastors and leaders who never received any teachings in seminary or Bible college about the Jewishness of Jesus or our Hebraic heritage.

Well, the woman at the well received her lesson the day she met Jesus in that hot Israeli sun. She "got it," and she took that revelation to her village. For that gentile woman to understand who Jesus really was, He not only felt it important to identify with His People but He also stood up for them because He said **"...salvation (that is Redemption and Atonement for sins) is of the Jews" (John 4:22).** He might as well of said **"You can't have it without us!"**these are the words of Jesus! Have we heard any messages on this bold statement lately in our church services?



The Lord's main message was a Jewish message about the coming Kingdom to Israel, and His Jewish disciples revealed it to the world of non-Jews. Jesus made it clear **His** message was for Israel – to His Brethren, the Jews, first. Tell them I am “the way,” and tell them about “the kingdom.”

One of our problems is that when missionaries go to many non-Jewish nations and talk about Jesus they talk very little about the Coming Kingdom which Jesus will rule from. Often the case is that they haven't learned themselves about our Hebraic heritage and then, if they did know, it would need to include Israel...many just don't want to deal with it.

This is relating only part of the Great Commission...but you can't teach what you don't know... so we pray for our Bible colleges and institutions to include the whole truth in potential leadership study. Jesus' Teachings came out of the Torah and out of obedience to His Father.

This missing link **has** been lost to the Church through **neglect** for centuries. And it seems many Christians choose to believe “whatever they've been taught” rather than to gain deeper insight.

But when someone opens up their mind, and heart, and begins to study – they realize what they have been missing.

“Brethren, do not be children in understanding... in understanding be mature” (1 Corinthians 14:20, NASB).

Churches who use the “bandwagon approach,” and jump on the latest move will continue to ignore the **missing link**.

The Jewish people, and the important role they play in the redemption of the world – **cannot be repudiated by playing it down...so we must go forward teaching others as much as we can.**

Until the **link** is reattached, the real fullness of the Church will never be reached... **it will continue to diminish the beautiful love story between the Almighty, a Chosen People.**

How much longer can Christians read Jewish Scriptures, believe in Jewish prophets, Jewish Psalmists, repeat and sing Jewish psalms and proverbs, and trust in a Jewish Messiah as Savior of our world, and not want all the richness which the Jewish Olive Tree brings to us?

We are to rejoice with Israel in that God's Word is being fulfilled. *“Rejoice ye Gentiles, with my*

people” (Romans 15:10).

Replacement Theology's rotten fruit is proof that God's promise of Genesis 12:3 has been taken lightly, and blood-soaked stains of guilt have been left on Christendom's spiritual garments. Anyone, teaching or instructing Christians, must come to grips with this truth.

Not every church or group advocates Replacement Theology boldly, but at the core of many sermons, it is there. We must do our part if we understand so that the history of the Church will not end up being an embarrassment to God when it comes to Israel.

Many will just remain satisfied with what they know, what they have always believed and since they don't really want to see the boat rocked – they may turn a blind eye. **But we have to do our part, where we can, to guide others out of dangerous apostasy. If we do not do it – it will be an mistake on our part...and many will end up taking Genesis 12:3 “lightly.”** Rabbi Daniel Boyarin, said it with clarity...“**sometimes investigations shake old certainties.**”

WE are progressing with Jewish-Christian relationships today in Israel. Some Jewish people are just now learning how to relate to us after centuries of negative treatment. I experienced it personally after about 3 years in the Land with a Bergen Belsen survivor who said to me “you are not like the Christians we saw back there (during the holocaust)... you really do love us!” But it took time to prove it.

Elie Weisel once stated, **“There may be times when we are powerless to prevent injustice, but there must never be a time when we fail to protest.”**

We must protest Replacement Theology, **which was rarely challenged down through the centuries.**

We must remember that we will need to show evidence that will stand under examination. We must educate our own selves before talking with others. Yad Va Shem, here in Jerusalem offers some great courses on the history of Anti-Semitism.

As we teach others **our faith can heal.**

In Judges 3:31, “Shamgar...struck down six hundred Philistines with an ox-goad...He refused to be intimidated...grabbing his ox-goad and charging six hundred Philistines...he assaulting the forces of darkness. It is time to take our “ox-goads” (in this case it will be our Bibles) and speak the truth in love.



We can help stop the menu of sermons, penned by non-Jews influenced by Western mindsets, serving an incomplete meal and robbing the sheep from **drinking water from the wells of Jacob.**

Remember what took place at the **Council of Nicaea, in 325.**

Show others how the unconcern and coldness during those meetings, toward the Jewish nation stirred up anti-Semitism in the hearts of indifferent, and narrow-minded people. Then they rubbed salt into the already festering wound of betrayal ending with a cold shoulder towards the Chosen People.

Elie Wiesel so aptly said, **"The opposite of love is not hate, it's indifference." ...taking something "too lightly."** The Nicean Council emerged with **indifference towards the Jewish people and the connection between prior relationship the Church and Synagogue had cracked.**

We have to care about the condition of the Church in the United States and in Europe and around the world.

Our leaders must intensify prayer for what God has commanded us to pray for: the peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6).

Jewish scholar, David Nekrutman reminded us, "You (Christians) have poked God in His Eye" by committing the cruelest of actions toward us.

Everyone here can help repair the breach (Isaiah 58:12) between us and reattach the link. One morning an Orthodox man stuck his head in the door of our CFI offices on Shevtei Israel street, he had known us for quite some time....all he said was **"Sharon, why didn't the Christians follow the Judaism of Jesus?"**.....a great question for which at that time in my life, I did not have an answer...I think he was trying to say "Why didn't the Christians follow the Torah which Jesus taught?"

It is a responsibility for all Christians to make certain that once we learn to love as Jesus taught us, we will "never again" allow the chain that binds us together with the Jewish people to be broken. We must never separate from Israel again.

I say to every Christian **"Run!"** Run from heresy! Just like Jesus, our dear Rabbi Yaakov who worked with CFI so many years, was always teaching. He left us with the words **"Educate, Educate, Educate!"** **Yaakov showed us a love for the Torah we had never before experienced. We showed him unconditional love, something he had never before seen. Too**

many confessing, and professing Christians, went to their graves hating the Jewish people because they believed a lie of Replacement Theology.

Now just so I am not misunderstood, I don't want anyone leaving thinking I do not see the great job many are doing in the Church in worship and helping others. There is an eagerness out there in **many places** (in different countries) to learn about our Hebrew roots and it is not coming from seminaries and institutions, but from among ordinary people.

But I'll never forget one precious lady from the UK who told me when travelling there, "I've been a Christian all of my life, and tearfully she said "I didn't know Jesus was a Jew!" Another Christian told a friend of mine, **"Knowing the truth now, I have to empty out all the years of rubbish, and start all over again."** So many of our brothers and sisters are just waiting to hear truth, and when they do, they receive it.

We need to teach others what Dr. Michael S. Heiser, scholar of the Israel Bible Center Round Table said: **"The proper context for interpreting the Bible is in the context of the Biblical writers—the context that produced the Bible. Every other context is alien to the Biblical writers and therefore, to the Bible."**

In every form we can, we must continue to reach those who love God's Word and the Wonderful Coming Messiah, whom we love, Jesus (Yeshua).

Let us know of your passion for truth, and we'll be there to help you...to connect you and others back in to the chain of faith without a missing link.

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