HEIRS

OF THE

PROMISE

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INTRODUCTION

THIS IS YOUR INHERITANCE

If a person were to knock at your door, and inform you that on the basis of legal documents, charters, covenants, and the last will and testament of a testator, you were heir to a great inheritance, you would be truly overjoyed. By the same reasoning, this tract will demonstrate that if you are a natural born child of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob-Israel, you are heir to an inheritance in Jesus Christ. If you believe that you are called to be a Christian, then you must be indeed a natural born child of Abraham, and are, therefore, heir to the promises of the Holy Bible. It can be demonstrated that there is a people upon the face of this earth today, who by legal documents, charters, covenants, and a last will and testament recorded in a Book called the Bible, are the heirs to the Grace of Jesus Christ and are thereby called to inherit Eternal Life. This tract is knocking at your door today! You may be heir to the promises of the Holy Bible! If you are called to be a Christian, and believe that the Holy Spirit is guiding you into truth, then you should carefully study this tract. This could be the most important day in your life! Please do not shut the door! Open that door and let the truth of Jesus Christ come into your life. “And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.” John 8.32

Heirs of Promise

“And if ye be Christ's then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.” Galatians 3.29

To All Christians who are searching to understand the Holy Scriptures, Genesis to Revelation:

From the Ministry of the CHURCH OF ISRAEL at Schell City: Greetings in the glorious Name of Jesus Christ:

The Purpose of this exposition is to demonstrate from the Holy Scriptures that those people who are called, and who believe, and become Christian do so because they are the physical descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob-Israel. “God has not cast away His people which he foreknew...” Romans 11.2. The promises made to the physical seed of Israel in the Old Testament, beginning with Abraham, confirmed in Isaac and established in the twelve tribes descended from Jacob-Israel have been faithfully kept by Jesus Christ. “Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers.” Romans 15.8.

The basic presuppositional ground upon which this lesson is established is to be found in Romans 9.4-5. “Who are Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God and the promises; Whose are the fathers, and of whom as concerning the flesh Christ came, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.” In this scripture St. Paul very clearly establishes the 1) the adoption, 2) the Glory, 3) the Covenant, 4) the giving of the Law, 5) the Service of God, 6) the promises, and 7) the fathers through whom Christ came in the flesh all belong to Israel. It is imperative that the ground and foundation for this Bible Study be established upon the truth that the Bible is a Book written to, for, and about Israel beginning with Genesis 12.1 and continuing through the remainder of the Bible. It will be important to hold to a consistent thread of divine truth as we establish that all those who are called, chosen, and quickened to believe and become Christian do so because they are the physical seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob-Israel. True Christians do not become children unto Abraham because they believe; they believe because they are the children of Abraham. Herein lies the foundation for understanding the Bible message of salvation. To depart from this basic premise is to forfeit the basic presuppositions upon which the Holy Scripture is written.

To clearly establish the Old Testament foundation for this study, let us turn to Genesis 12.3 wherein Yahweh had declared to His servant Abraham, “And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.” The families spoken of are those nations, or families of people who were to come forth from the loins of Abraham and who were to be counted as children of the promise. Confirmation of this may be found in Jeremiah 2.4 where the Prophet declares: “Hear ye the word of the Eternal, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel.” Again in Jeremiah 31.1 we read: “At the same time, saith the Eternal, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.” Finally, we read in Amos 3.2 as follows: “You only have I known of all the families of the earth: therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities.” We conclude that the promise made to Abraham in Genesis 12.3 is that all of the families
(nations) of the Israelite people would be blessed through faithful father Abraham. To read anything else into scripture is to distort the Word of God. Jesus Christ Himself declared in Matthew 15.24: "...I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel." Turning once again to Genesis 17.7 Almighty God had declared to Abraham, "And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee." This Covenant of Promise, made to Father Abraham, was made to him and his seed after him, throughout their generations, to be an everlasting covenant. This Covenant of Promise made to faithful Abraham was an unconditional covenant made to Abraham and his seed after him. This Covenant of Promise was made to bring about the eternal purposes established in the Covenant of Grace, which was the Master Covenant established by God in Christ before the foundation of the world for His people Israel. Before this Covenant of Grace would be fulfilled in the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ upon the cross, the Israelites would be given the conditional Covenant of Law which would mirror their sin, causing them to know that their salvation was not through the works of the Law, but rather through the Covenant of Grace wrought by the Blood of Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, slain from the foundation of the world. I Peter 1.19-20

The Promise of salvation was made then to Abraham and his seed after him for an everlasting covenant. This Covenant was not established in Ishmael, nor in the children of Abraham born to Keturah; rather it was confirmed in the Seed of Isaac. In Genesis 17.21 we read: "But my covenant will I establish with Isaac..." Again in Genesis 17.19 we read: "...And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for any everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him." In Genesis 21.12, Romans, 9.7, and Hebrews 11.18 we read that in Isaac was the seed to be called. This is absolute confirmation that the Promises made to faithful Abraham would be fulfilled in the seed of Isaac. Again in Genesis 17.5 Almighty God promised Abraham that he would be a father of many nations. Although Abraham was to become the father of nations through Ishmael and through the sons born to Keturah, it was to that family of nations descended through Isaac that the Covenant of Promise would be fulfilled. Again we recall Genesis 21.12 which declared that in Isaac would the seed of Abraham be called. This company of nations that would descend from Isaac would be the recipients of the promise Almighty God made to Abraham in Genesis 22.18 - "And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth (Amos 3.2) be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice."

We can gather the great importance of the Israelite people who descended from Abraham, through Isaac by reading Deuteronomy 32.8-9. "When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel. For Yahweh's portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance." Israel was to be the Eternal God's measuring line. Israel was to be the Elect of the Eternal God. (Isaiah 45.4). In Isaiah 41.8-9 we read of the exhausted station to which Israel was chosen. "But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend. Thou whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou art my servant, I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away." The Promise made to father Abraham was fulfilled in Israel, the people who descended from Isaac. In Psalms 135.4 we read: "For the Eternal hath chosen Jacob unto himself, and Israel for his peculiar treasure." Since the unconditional Covenant of Grace, made from the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1.4-5) was made to Israel, the unconditional Covenant of Promise made to Abraham was necessary to make the Covenant of Grace effectual. Before Israel could receive this Grace, it became necessary to place them under the Covenant of Law, to expose their sin nature, and to confirm that their salvation was through the Grace of Jesus Christ and not the works of the Law. The Covenant of Law, however, in keeping with the truth that salvation was to be for Israel, was given only to Israel. Only the Israelites were placed under the Law. "He sheweth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments unto Israel. He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for his judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the Eternal." Psalms 147.19-20 This truth is again confirmed in Psalms 105.6-10 "O ye seed of Abraham his servant, ye children of Jacob his chosen...He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word which he commanded to a thousand generations. Which covenant he made with Abraham, and his oath unto Isaac; And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant."

The Old Testament Scripture, beginning with Genesis 12.1 through the remainder of the Old
Testament Scripture, is written to, for, and about the Israelites. After the twelve sons born to Jacob-Israel had multiplied into twelve tribes, this great family of people went down into Egypt and centuries later were lead out of Egypt by Moses, and into the promise land by Joshua. There in the land of Canaan all of the twelve tribes were confederated together in a theocratic government during the reign of Judges which lasted more than three hundred years. During the lifetime of the Prophet Samuel, Israel elected to be ruled by earthly Kings and was ruled over successively by Saul, David and Solomon. At the death of Solomon in 975 B.C., the House of Israel was divided into two separate and distinct kingdoms of people with the Northern Kingdom being occupied by ten of the twelve tribes, and the Southern Kingdom being occupied primarily by Judah, Benjamin, and a large portion of Levi. From 975 B.C. forward through the remainder of the Old Testament Scripture, Israel and Judah remained divided from each other with the promise that they would ultimately be united together and restored under a Theocratic Government. The Northern Kingdom of Israel, consisting of about 10 million Israelites, was carried into captivity by the Assyrian Kings between 741 and 721 B.C., and did not return to their homeland in Samaria. The Southern Kingdom was invaded by Assyrian Kings in 713 B.C. when a large number of Judah and Benjamin were carried into the Assyrian captivity to join the other ten tribed Israelites. The remainder of the Southern Kingdom was carried away into Babylon in about 588 B.C. and remained there during the seventy year Babylonian Captivity; they then returned to rebuild the temple in about 536 B.C. When the Old Testament Canon comes to a close in 397 B.C. with Malachi, both Israel and Judah remain divided into two distinct and separate Kingdoms.

A careful examination of the books of the Law and the Prophets, together with the Psalms, will reveal that the promise throughout the Old Testament is that Israel would be redeemed and restored back under the Covenant. Scripture in the Old Testament is replete with tremendous evidence to prove that even though Israel of the Northern Kingdom had been divorced and carried away into captivity, God had promised to bring them again under the bond of His Covenant. Hear the beautiful promise made to Israel and Judah by Jeremiah the Prophet about 606 B.C. when both Israel and Judah were two distinct and separate peoples within the House of Israel. (Jer. 31.31-34) “Behold, the days come saith the Eternal, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house

of Judah:...But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Eternal, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.” Here is the promise of our God that He would make a New Covenant with His people Israel, both Israel and Judah. The Law was to be written into their inward parts and was to be inscribed within their hearts. This is further confirmed in Isaiah 51.7. Here is a profound presupposition in the Holy Scripture of truth. The New Covenant was to be made with Israel and Judah. The Blood of Jesus Christ was to be shed for Israel, the chosen and elect people of the Eternal God.

When we arrive at the New Testament Scriptures of the Bible, the typical reader of the Bible, without a solid foundation of study in the Old Testament, is at a loss to understand what he reads in the Gospels and Epistles of the New Testament. Without a valid knowledge of the Old Testament he cannot understand that the New Testament is the written confirmation of all the promises which were fulfilled at the first coming of Jesus Christ and others which will be confirmed at His Second Coming. When moving from the Old Testament to the New Testament you dare not lose Physical Israel. “God has not cast away His people which He foreknew.” Romans 11.2 If you lose physical Israel, the seed of Isaac, then you will be unable to find a confirmation of the promises made to Abraham and Isaac and Jacob-Israel. Remember that according to Romans 15.8 Jesus Christ came to confirm the promises made to the fathers. If you lose physical Israel, then you will end up without the people that the Eternal God promised to make the New Covenant with. (Jeremiah 31.31-34) If you lose Israel, you will deny the very veracity of God and turn the Bible into a shambles. If you fail to understand that the Israelites in dispersion were to be called by another name (Isaiah 62.2 and 65.15), and if you fail to understand all of the Old Testament promises of these Israelites returning to the knowledge of their God and His truth, you will not be able to read the New Testament with any understanding whatever. You cannot lose Physical Israel when turning to the New Testament.

In Matthew 1.21 we find that Jesus was to save His people from their sins. Israel was that people that was to be ransomed from the bondage of sin and death. In Matthew 10.5-6 Jesus Christ commanded His
disciples to go only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. In Matthew 10.23 Jesus Christ declared that His disciples would not have gone over the cities of Israel until the Son of man be come. He was speaking of His Second Coming and meant that the Gospel was to be preached only among the Israelites, for they were the children of the Promise made to Abraham. In Matthew 15.24 Jesus Christ declared: "I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel." In Matthew 28.19 Jesus Christ commanded His disciples to go and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. These nations that were to be baptized consisted of the family of Israel nations that were promised to come from Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob-Israel. In Luke 1.54 and 55 we read: "He hath holpen his servant Israel in remembrance of his mercy; As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed forever." In Luke 1.68 we read: "Blessed be the Eternal God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people...To perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant; The oath which he swore to our father Abraham." The New Testament is confirmation that our God kept His promise to physical Israel of the Old Testament. In Acts 26.7 St. Paul confirms the existence of all twelve tribes of Israel in 62 A.D. "Unto which promise our twelve tribes, instantly serving God day and night, hope to come..." In Acts 28.20 St. Paul confirms that "...for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain." The Apostle Peter addresses his epistle to the Israelites in dispersion. (I Peter 1.1-2) James the servant of God, addresses his epistle to Israel saying: "James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting." Also remember that the entire Book of Revelation is posited on God fulfilling His promises to Israel. The Lamb's Wife is identified as Israel in Revelation 21.1-10. The entire account of the Gospels, the Pauline Epistles, the General Epistles, and the Book of Revelation is directed to the Israel of God and to some of the great promises made to them in the Old Testament Scriptures.

Israelites of the Southern Kingdom of Judah are referred to primarily as Jews, sometimes Judeans, occasionally as Israelites, while the Israelites of the Northern Kingdom, consisting of millions of Israelite people, will be referred to as Gentiles or Greeks. They will seldom, if ever, be called Israelites. These Israelites of the Northern Kingdom are the primary people to whom the Gospel was taken in New Testament times. The Southern Tribes were more inclined to seek their salvation in the law and considered themselves as being above the Israelites who had been dispersed among the nations. Most of the New Testament Epistles are directed to Israelite Congregations made up from Israelites in their state of Dispersion. With this background in mind, let us now return to our primary objective and reason from the Holy Scriptures.

The purpose of this exposition is to demonstrate from the Holy Scriptures that those people who are chosen and called and who believe and become Christian, do so because they are the physical descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob-Israel. Only Natural born Israelites can be saved. Only Natural born Israelites were lost. Only Natural born Israelites were under the Law. Therefore only Natural Born Israelites can be redeemed. When people believe and become Christian it is because they are children of Abraham, children of Isaac, and heirs of the promises of God. We will now examine some controversial scriptures to demonstrate that people become Christian because they are the children of Abraham. They do not become the children of Abraham because they believe. God hath not cast away His people which he foreknew. (Rom. 11.2).

IN JOHN 10.26 JESUS TOLD THE JEWS

"But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you." Question: Were the Jews not sheep because they did not believe OR did the Jews not believe because they were NOT sheep. Answer: The Jews did not believe because they were NOT the sheep.

IN JOHN 10.27 JESUS TOLD THE JEWS

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." Question: Did these sheep become Christians because they heard His voice OR did they hear His voice because they were His sheep? Answer: They heard His voice BECAUSE they were His Sheep.
IN ROMANS 2.14-15 ST. PAUL TOLD THE GENTILES

"For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves: Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another:"

Question: Did these Gentiles have the law written into their hearts because they believed and became Christian? Or did they become Christian because they had the Law written into their hearts. (Jeremiah 31.31-34) Answer: The Gentiles of the New Testament because Christian because they, being of the physical seed of Abraham, had the Law written into their heart. (Isaiah 51.7)

ST. PAUL TOLD THE GALATIAN GENTILES
IN CH. 3.26-29

"For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor (Judean--Israel of the Southern Kingdom) nor Greek (Israelites of the dispersion) nor bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. And if ye be Christ's then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."

Did they which are of the "faith of Abraham" become the Seed of Abraham because they had the "faith" of Abraham OR did they have the Faith of Abraham because they were the seed of Abraham. Answer: They had the "faith of Abraham" because they were of the physical seed of Abraham. In this verse we have two groups of Israelites. They which were of the law (Israelites of the Southern Kingdom of Judah) and they which were of the faith, that is Israel in dispersion (without a knowledge of the law) and yet by faith believing in Jesus Christ. We conclude that they who are of the faith of Abraham are the physical seed of Abraham. The Promise made to Abraham will be made sure to (all) the seed, both to those Israelites who were of the House of Judah and to the Israelites who were in dispersion and were just coming into the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. God hath not cast away His people which He foreknew. (Rom. 11.2)

ST. PAUL TOLD THE GALATIAN GENTILES
IN CH. 3.7-9

"Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. And the scripture,
Do we become redeemed Israel and the Sons of God because we believe OR do we believe and become Sons of God because we are physical Israel and are redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ? Answer: We become the sons of God because we are the physical seed of Abraham, and are, therefore, Redeemed by the Blood of Jesus Christ and called to be Christian. You do not become Redeemed Israel and thereby a Son of God because you believe, but rather you are members of the commonwealth of Israel because they were the physical seed of Abraham and were thereby vessels of mercy from the foundation of the world. Answer: These Gentiles who were brought to the knowledge of Jesus Christ become Christian because they were Israelites in dispersion, called Gentiles, and when they heard the Word of God preached, having the Word of God inscribed upon their hearts, (Jeremiah 31.31-34) they believed. The word Jews in Rom. 9.24 has reference to the House of Judah and could have included Israelites from any of the tribes making up the Southern Kingdom, that is Judah, Benjamin or Levi. Moreover, if you will carefully examine the direct quotations from Hosea 1.10 you will find that this Prophet had reference to Israelites of the Northern Kingdom and would one day be called the children of the living God. This confirms beyond all question that the Gentiles St. Paul is speaking to were the physical descendants of the Israelites who had been put away in Divorce and then went into dispersion throughout Asia, Europe and eventually the entire world, with emphasis upon the Western World.

ST. PAUL SPEAKING TO THE GENTILES IN ROM. 11.13-18

“For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office:...And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, (the Gentiles) being a wild olive tree, wert grafted in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree; Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee.”

Question: Were these Gentiles of the “wild olive tree” made Christian and thereby partakers with the “natural olive tree” because they believed in Christ OR did they believe and become Christian because being of “the wild olive tree” they were the Seed of Abraham. Answer: These Gentiles of the “wild Olive tree”
became Christian and were grafted back into the natural root stock of Israel because they were the physical seed of Abraham that having been divorced and separated from God, were reconciled and grafted back into the natural tree through the Grace of Jesus Christ upon the cross. It is important to remember that the Olive Tree was one of several symbols used to identify Israel in Scripture. The Gentiles were called the "wild branches of the olive tree" because having been divorced and sent into dispersion, they were outside the commonwealth of Israel (of the Southern Kingdom) and were considered as uncircumcised and unclean by the members of the House of Judah (called the natural branches of the Olive Tree). Also note that from the Olive Berries we have a precious Oil that is extracted. This oil represents the "light of the world" and the Israelite nations have been the light of the world. The Caucasian Israelite nations of the Western World have produced all of the Christian missionaries, printed all the Bibles, built all of the Churches, enacted all of the Christian Laws, advanced Christian morality and elevated the light of Jesus Christ wherever they have lived. In return our God has abundantly prospered them and given them the highest standard of living in the world. God hath not cast away His people which he foreknew. Rom. 11.2

carefully read I Peter 2.10 where the quotation from Hosea 1.10, 2.23 refer to the Israelites who were being put away in divorce and dispersion.

THE APOSTLE PETER TOLD THE ELECT IN CHRIST IN II PETER 2.21-22

"For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that has washed to her wallowing in the mire."

Question: Did the Dog return to his vomit because he quit believing, OR did he turn from the truth because he was a dog? Answer: The dog returned to his vomit because he did not really believe. You cannot turn a dog into a sheep! You cannot make an Israelite out of a non-Israelite.

Question: Did the sow return to her wallow because she ceased to believe OR did the sow return to her wallow because she was a sow? Answer: The sow returned to her wallow because she never really believed. You cannot turn a sow into a sheep. You cannot turn a non-Israelite into an Israelite.

As Christians we dare not lose physical Israel when reading the New Testament portion of the Bible. God hath not cast away His people which He foreknew. (Rom. 11.2) God has not lost His people Israel. The Unconditional Covenant of Grace is effectual. The Unconditional Covenant of Promise made to faithful Abraham is being made sure to all the seed. The Covenant of Law has exposed the sin nature of the Israelites and demonstrated that not by the works of the law, but by the righteousness of Jesus Christ, we must be saved. Israel is alive and well in this earth! The denominational churches of the western world are full of these Israelites, often called Gentiles, who are searching and seeking the truth of Jesus Christ. These millions of Gentile Christians who flock to the Churches every Sunday Morning are there because they are the physical seed of Abraham and are searching for the voice of their Shepherd, Jesus Christ! The Holy Bible is indeed a glorious Book of Divine Truth and Revelation. Lost Israel has been found! They are filling the Churches of our land! These precious people need to know who they are! They need to know that they are the Elect and Chosen of God, the Redeemed of Christ, and that they are heirs of
the Promise made to their Father Abraham. Praise Jesus Christ! Lost Israel has been found. These Gentile Christians that now fill our churches do not become spiritual Israelites when they believe and become Christian. They believe and become Christian because they are the physical seed of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob-Israel. The Faithfulness and integrity of the Eternal God has been preserved. He has redeemed His people. The physical seed of Abraham is seeking to be spiritually reborn through the effectual power of the Holy Spirit. The Caucasian Gentiles now seeking the truth of Christianity in the denominational Church World are doing so now because they are the children and offspring of Father Abraham. They are heirs to the Promises of God. Because they are the children of Abraham they are Christ's and are heirs to the Promise made to Abraham. Amen!

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME

All hail the power of Jesus' name
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him King of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him King of all!

YE CHOSEN SEED OF ISRAEL'S RACE
YE RANSOMED FROM THE FALL,
HAIL HIM WHO SAVES YOU BY HIS GRACE
AND CROWN HIM KING OF ALL.

LET EVERY KINDRED, EVERY TRIBE,
ON THIS TERRESTRIAL BALL,
TO HIM ALL MAJESTY ASCRIBE,
AND CROWN HIM KING OF ALL.

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him King of all.