#### What The Christian Owes the Jew

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#### **Chapter Four - GOD's Greatest Sign**

The most unfortunate words ever uttered by Jews were those which fell from their lips when CHRIST was about to be crucified -- "**His blood be on us, and on our children**." That fateful sentence, which brought death to JESUS, their KING, also brought death to Israel as a nation. John 1:11 says:

#### "He came unto his own, and his own received him not."

JESUS was the Jews' KING, but was not permitted to occupy His throne. Judah will have no king until the KING and the throne are brought together. There is no other king for them. They said, "**We will not have this man to rule over us**." JESUS is the next in order in the royal line of David, and until He is accepted the Jews will remain without a KING.

JESUS arose from the dead and ascended into Heaven to await the day of His coronation as KING of Israel. The Jews will continue under judgment until they receive Him Whose right it is to reign.

The Jew is a modern miracle.

Skeptics, infidels and modernists scoff at and deny the possibility of miracles. They claim that this highly scientific age can explain all the phenomena on naturalistic principles. Since the miracle belongs in the category of the supernatural, it is tabooed by them. No naturalistic principle can explain the origin and career of the Jew. He belongs most exclusively to the supernatural. He defies socialistic laws, violates fundamental principles of political science, laughs at all geographical limitations and climatic conditions, and is indestructible under the most powerful economic pressure. There is no philosophy that can explain the Jew -- no laboratory that can analyze him.

The first-born Israelite was Isaac, whose name means "laughter." Natural law was laughed at when this child was born, for his birth was supernatural. His father was 100 years old, his mother ninety. Both parents laughed when told that unto them a child was to be born. But it was not the hollow laugh of a skeptic -- it was the triumphant laugh of faith. Faith laughs at impossibilities and cries, "**It shall be done**." Romans 4:18-20 reads:

"Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be. And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb: He staggered not at the promise of GOD through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God."

And in Hebrews 11:11, we read:

#### "Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised."

Israel began as a miracle and has continued as such for 4,000 years.

Thus we see the Jew born into the personality of Abraham bearing distinctive physical marks. He marches through Egyptian bondage, Assyrian conquest, Babylonian captivity, European hate, Jewish sin -- absorbing all the punishment and wrath that man can administer. He steadily has refused to be absorbed by any race of people as he moves forward to his destiny.

No race has ever been able to absorb the Jew and no race of people so universally dispersed has ever survived the Jew. He often has been referred to as the miracle of history. When Frederick the Great asked the Court preacher for unanswerable proof in one word for the inspiration of the Bible, he replied, "Your majesty, the Jew."

What other people can boast of the miraculous as can the Jew? There are the plagues of Egypt which fell with increasing severity as sledge hammer blows upon the chains that bound her in the bondage to a powerful nation until liberty was granted. The Red Sea opened a path to them. The swollen waters of the Jordan divided for them. They were guided on their journey by a cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. For forty years they were miraculously fed and their clothing did not wear out. The sun and the moon stood still for them until their enemies were conquered in battle.

An angel of GOD, at a very critical time, came down and slew 185,000 Assyrians. The Jew had leaders like Moses, kings like David, prophets like Isaiah. Then they were dispersed among the other nations and races and became subject to them, paid tribute to them, bought and sold with them, mingled in their society, sent children to their schools and soldiers to their battle fields. The Jews have been doing that for 2,000 years.

The natural thing for Israel to do would be to lose her identify through corruption of blood by inter-marriage with the Gentiles, and through leaving off her peculiar manners, become absorbed into the life of other races. However, although a small race and scattered like dust through all nations, the Jew has never been absorbed by them. His blood has kept pure. His customs have not changed. His peculiarities have not been perverted. Is not this a miracle?

The Jew has remained separated from all other races. He can become a good American, a good German, a good Frenchman, a good Italian, a good Russian, a good citizen of any country he may claim as his home. He can keep their laws, follow their customs, engage in their pursuits, send soldiers to fight their battles, and can die just as patriotically for the land of his adoption as

any other citizen of that country.

The Jew can live in any climate, adapt himself to any condition, serve under any flag, readily learn and speak any language and can make himself at home wherever he may be. He can be all things to all men, get along with any kind of neighbour, and can get rich in the same community where his Gentile neighbour fails.

Let us center our thoughts on the persecution and suffering of the Jews. The Bible speaks of the Jewish nation as being broken, scattered, peeled and ground to dust between the upper and nether millstones of Divine Judgment -- but destroyed never!

The Jewish nation is to be among the Gentile nations, but never of them. It mingles with them but never combines with them.

Egypt, Greece, Rome, Persia and Babylon rose and fell. They are covered with the dust of centuries. We dig up their ruins with an excavating spade -- but who digs up ruins of the Jewish nation? Other nations rose, had their day and passed out, but the Jewish nation lives forever.

In Spain, through the Iron Maiden, Jews were destroyed by the hundreds until in 1492 Ferdinand and Isabella issued an edict banishing all Jews from that country.

The worst persecutor of Jews is Russia. In July, 1923, Chief Rabbi Doctor Adler said: "Wholesale slaughter, burials alive, rape and torture of the Jews is the order of the day. In many places and entire Jewish population was wiped out and thousands of dead were left to be eaten by eaten by dogs and pigs.

In a leading Jewish newspaper appears a sketch of a patriarchal Jew holding in his hands a globe and searching for a place where the Jew is wanted. As he looks over the replica of the earth he says: "Russia -- I am not wanted there. Germany -- not wanted there. Romania -- not wanted there. France, Canada, England, the United States -- not wanted there." Then he exclaims, "This is a large and beautiful world, but there is no place for me." This is but a small price he has paid for uttering:

#### "His blood be on us, and on our children."

In his farewell address some 3,500 years before, Moses declared in Deuteronomy 28:63-67:

"And it shall come to pass, that as the LORD rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so the LORD will rejoice over you to destroy you, and to bring you to nought; and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it. And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone. And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life: In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were

morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see."

All this would happen if they disobeyed GOD!

Jeremiah, the weeping prophet, saw this suffering 2400 years ago when he said: "And I will deliver them up to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth for their hurt, to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse, in all the places whither I shall drive them. And I will send the sword; the famine, and the pestilence among them, till they be consumed from off the land that I gave unto them and to their fathers."

Byron wrote:

"Tribes of the wandering foot and weary beast, How shall ye flee away, and be at rest! The wild dove hath her nest, the fox his cave, Mankind their country, Israel the grave."

Einstein, the great scientist and mathematician, may be able to calculate the dimensions of the universe, but he will never be able to compute the staggering loss that came to this world when the Jews refused to accept CHRIST as their MESSIAH.

The best authorities say there were between four and five million Jews in the first Christian century. For sixteen hundred years they decreased in number. From a human standpoint, it seemed they were doomed to become extinct. At the start of the seventeenth century they had been reduced to about one million. When the Roman army besieged Jerusalem in A.D. 70, more than one million Jews were killed and 97,000 were captured. Sixty-five years later, when Hadrian dispersed them, 587,000 were slain. In the year 1020 King Canute banished all Jews from England. In 1096 an attempt was made to murder all European Jews who refused water baptism. Until 1272 the Jews were allowed to amass riches only in order that they might be plundered. In France and Germany in 1306, 100,000 Jews were stripped of their possessions and forced to leave those countries. In Strausburg 2,000 Jews were fastened to a scaffold and burned to death!

For nineteen hundred years the Jews wandered, despised and homeless, over the face of the earth. But, at the beginning of the nineteenth century they began to increase in numbers rapidly, and soon totaled some five million. Fifty years later they numbered seven million, and today [1950] there are eighteen million. There are almost four times as many Jews today as at any previous time in their long history. This great increase has come largely during the past 100 years -- years of toleration for the Jews. This proves beyond doubt that GOD is getting ready to deal with Israel and fulfill the promise made to Abraham as to the number of his posterity.

Today, in the middle of the twentieth century, the Jew has come to the front. In the realm of finance he has no equal. Fifty banking houses in New York City are controlled by Jews. Fifty per cent of the jewelry trades is in their hands. There are 700 clothing firms owned by Jews. They control the moving picture industry, and, of course, there are many millionaires among them.

The London Stock Exchange is sometimes called the High Temple of Judea, because there are so many Jews on the exchange. The Rothschilds long have been leading financiers of Europe. In every country where the Jew enjoys liberty, he soon becomes the leading financier of that land.

Isaiah prophesied this when he said, "**The forces** (wealth) **of the Gentiles shall come unto thee**." And in Isaiah 60:11 and 61:6 we read:

"Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day or night; that men may bring unto thee the forces of the Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought . . . Ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boost yourselves."

The great mathematician, <u>Dr. James Joseph Sylvester</u>, recognized by many as the greatest mathematician of his day, was a Jew. England's cleverest statesman, <u>Disraeli</u>, was a Jew. <u>Schechter</u>, the great archeologist, is a Jew. Among Christian Jewish scholars we have men like <u>Da Costa</u>, <u>Adolph Saphir</u>, <u>Edersheim</u>, <u>Frank</u>, <u>Neander</u> and <u>Baron</u>. Only three per cent of the population of Germany were Jews, yet they held 100 chairs in German universities. The European press is controlled almost entirely by Jewish brains. Some of America's greatest newspapers are owned by Jews. Zephaniah said, "**I will make them a praise in all the land where they have been put to shame**."

The Bible gives the history of the Jews -- but does not record the history of any other race of people. Eighty per cent of the Bible is about the Jews, embracing their past, present and future. When GOD had a message to deliver to the Gentiles He spoke through a Jew -- Joseph to Pharaoh, king of Egypt, Daniel to Nebuchadnezzar, Jonah to Ninevah. The thirty-nine books of the Old Testament all were written by Jews. The twenty-seven books of the New Testament all were written by Jews, with one exception. That exception was Luke. The Bible, only commentary we have on world conditions, speaks with assurance and authority.

Palestine belongs to the Jews.

Palestine is known by several names. It is called Canaan, the Land of Israel, the Land of the Hebrews, the Promised Land, the Land of Judah, the Land of JEHOVAH and Immanuel's Land.

The boundaries of Palestine are given in Ezekiel 47:13-21 as follows:

"Thus saith the Lord GOD; This shall be the border, whereby ye shall inherit the land according to the twelve tribes of Israel: Joseph shall have two portions. And ye shall inherit it, one as well as another: concerning the which I lifted up mine hand to give it unto your fathers: and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance. And this shall be the border of the land toward the north side, from the great sea, the way of Hethlon, as men go to Zedad; Hamath, Berothah, Sibraim, which is between the border of Damascus and the border of Hamath; Hazarhatticon, which is by the coast of Hauran. And the border from the sea shall be Hazarenan, the border of Damascus, and the north northward, and the border of Hamath. And this is the north side. And the east side ye shall measure from Hauran, and from Damascus, and from Gilead, and from the land of Israel by Jordan, from the border unto the east sea. And this is the east side. And the south side southward, from Tamar even to the waters of strife in Kadesh, the river to the great sea. And this is the south side

# southward. The west side also shall be the great sea from the border, till a man come over against Hamath. This is the west side. So shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of Israel."

Competent scholars estimate that Palestine, according to the Biblical description, covers an area of 300,000 square miles, or 192,000,000 acres. This makes Palestine twenty five times as large as indicated on our maps. It makes Palestine much larger than France, which contains 212,659 square miles, or 136,000,000 acres. It, therefore, can readily be seen how the entire 18,000,000 Jews can easily be accommodated in Palestine. The Jews at no time have been in possession of the entire land that GOD gave them. But there is a future when they shall have it all.

Israel's title to Palestine is flawless. The Jewish people have six titles to Canaan, based on the six models of obtaining property in land -- homestead law, by gift or grant, by covenant, by conquest, by right of tenure, and by purchase.

A look at a world map reveals that Palestine is situated in the center of the land surface of the earth. It has been called the heart of the world. GOD designed this land for the Jews 251 years before Abraham was born. Deuteronomy 32:8 reads:

### "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 children of Israel."

This was 796 years before Israel actually entered Canaan, Thus Canaan was HOMESTEADED for the Jews long before they existed. Joshua conquered the land occupied by the Canaanites, and drove them out. Therefore, Palestine is the Jews' land by RIGHT OF CONQUEST. It is theirs by RIGHT OF TENURE, for after conquering it the Jews dwelt there for 845 years. Then they were evicted for 70 years. Again they dwelt there for 605 more years until the Gentile overlordship, and later were evicted once more in 70 A.D.. It is theirs by RIGHT OF GIFT. GOD said to Abraham in Genesis 17:8:

### "And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God."

That is why it is called a land of Promise. The above verse also makes it theirs by RIGHT OF COVENANT. Canaan also belongs to the Jews by RIGHT OF PURCHASE. CHRIST, on the Cross bought their land at the price of His own blood. One writer has said: "By His blood CHRIST redeemed Israel and the land of Israel, and the title deed to Canaan is now in the hands of JESUS, sealed with his precious blood."

Israel is destined to gain control of Palestine. The Jews are the only people who have had their history fully written from beginning to end. The Bible divides humanity into two classes -- Jew and Gentile. Every person who is not a Jew is a Gentile, regardless of race or color. There are eighteen million Jews and one billion, six hundred million -- that is sixteen hundred million -- Gentiles, or a ratio of one to ninety!

Let us ponder now the matter of Israel's restoration.

Jerusalem has been destroyed fourteen times, but each time it has raised its head in triumph. GOD said Jerusalem would be restored to the Jews in 1917. It was restored in December of that year by the Allies at the Supreme Council of San Remo. The Turks were in possession of Jerusalem at that time. GOD used England for the restoration.

Listen to this prophecy in Isaiah 52:3, which reads:

## "For thus saith the Lord, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money."

The Jews never received any money -- not five cents -- for the land from which they were driven out. But they got it back for nothing -- GOD redeemed it. Twenty-seven hundred years before, GOD tells us how He would do this. Isaiah 31:5 reads as follows:

### "As the birds flying, so will the Lord of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver it; and passing over he will preserve it."

Let me cite two things to the reader. First, the Turks were in possession of Jerusalem at the time of its deliverance. The Turk, often referred to as the "Bloody Turk," has always been taught from early childhood that the greatest honor which can befall him is to die on the battle field, to keep that which is in his possession, and never to relinquish anything without bloodshed.

Second, for 400 years no Jew set foot on English soil. The English were among the most persistent persecutors of the Jew. Who then would have even dreamed that England would suddenly become the friend of the Jew and be the nation GOD would chose to restore Palestine to the Jews? England became the friend of the Jew and all the civilized nations followed her lead.

But GOD foretold all this hundreds of years before it happened. We quoted Isaiah 31:5 a few lines before. Read it again.

## "As the birds flying, so will the Lord of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver it; and passing over he will preserve it."

Who told Isaiah 2700 years ago that men would fly like birds? How could GOD defend, deliver and preserve Jerusalem when the Turks, the most blood-thirsty race in the world, were in possession of the Holy City? To defend, preserve and deliver -- the Turk must relinquish his claim on Jerusalem without the shedding of a single drop of blood and not the sound of a single gun must be heard. Could GOD accomplish this? The prophet said He would. Let us see what happened at the time.

The English government sent General Edmund Allenby to take Jerusalem for the Jews. He found the Turks in possession. Allenby hesitated to fire upon the Holy City, lest the indignation of the civilized world be aroused. The general cabled his government for instructions and he was told to use his own judgment. He refused to do this and he cabled the king. The king sent back his reply in a single word, "Pray." Then Allenby sent for the commander of his fleet of airplanes and commanded them to fly over the city. "**As the birds flying**," they soared over Jerusalem and the

Turks sent word that they would surrender. Not a gun was fired, and for the first time in history, the Turk gave up that which he possessed without bloodshed. The LORD preserved, defended and delivered!

On Dec. 9, 1917, while Allenby, a Christian general, was at prayer with his officers in his tent west of Jerusalem, the Turkish delegation came out and surrendered the city.

General Allenby's name had helped to arouse fear in the superstitious Arabs. "The Prophet of God (Allah Neby) is coming," they said. How could they fight against GOD? General Allenby removed his hat and marched victoriously through the Jaffa gate. A bloodless victory was won. GOD had spoken and His message was fulfilled!

Since then the Jews have won their own flag. It consists of a white field with two horizontal bars of blue, with the star of David also in blue, in the center. The star consists of two interlocking triangles.

Here is how Britain was given the mandate over Palestine. A few months before the war Britain was given the mandate over Palestine. A few months before the war Britain found herself running short of minerals used in the manufacture of high explosives for torpedo boats. Lack of this explosive placed Great Britain in jeopardy -- defeat was looming large. Then, the Russian Jew, <u>Dr. Chaim Weismann</u>, came forward with an encouraging proposition. Weismann had lived in England for twenty years and was acquiring quite a reputation as a chemist. He had discovered a substitute for the needed explosive material. He offered the discovery to Britain.

### He was asked his price and his reply was that he wanted no money -- only a promise.

If Britain would use her power to free Palestine from her oppressor, the Turk, and secure it for a national homeland for the Jews, Weismann said he would allow Britain to use his discovery. Britain readily gave him the promise and became the trustee of Jewish interests in Palestine -- and also used Weismann's discovery to help win the war.

The most significant battle of World War I was when the Turk fled from Palestine without firing a shot. A New York newspaper, after the fall of Jerusalem, printed a cartoon of a small boy sitting on his father's knee. Referring to the incident, the boy asked his father, "What will come next daddy?" The father replied, "I will get the Bible and see!"

The Jews must return to Jerusalem before the KING comes back. The throne must be set up before the KING can occupy it. Therefore, GOD is moving the Jews back to Jerusalem. While the Jews have in mind only national restoration, GOD has a plan for national conversion. In Jerusalem, 200 aged Jews meet daily to pray for the coming of their MESSIAH.

Let me point out some other things going on in Palestine. They are developing the Dead Sea. This unique body of water lies 1300 feet below the level of the Mediterranean Sea. The Dead Sea has no outlet -- the sun evaporates the water. For thousands of years the River Jordan has carried large mineral deposits into the Dead Sea, and there they have remained. The ocean contains 4.6 per cent salt. The Dead Sea is 25 per cent salt. It contains enough potash to supply the world for a thousand years.

There are 200 acres of shallow pans into which water is pumped. The sun does the rest. The water is evaporated and the minerals are left. Jewish farmers receive these valuable nitrates at no cost.

The wealth of the Dead Sea has been estimated at 1,190 billion dollars. An idea of how much this is may be gained by comparing it to the wealth of the United States [1950], which is only 420 billion. The wealth of the Dead Sea is more than the combined riches of the world! An Arab proverb says: "Not until the Nile flows into Palestine shall the prophet from the west drive the Turk from Palestine." That is exactly what happened. Allenby's army laid a huge pipeline to carry water for his 96,000 soldiers. This water was carried from the Nile over 200 miles of desert to his army at Jerusalem.

Palestine is beginning to blossom like a rose. One company shipped 750,000 cases of oranges in one year recently. The entire crop in 1930 was three million cases. The orange-growing area of Palestine is capable of producing 40 million cases annually. The United States is producing some 35 million cases.

The Jordan River is being harnessed for hydro-electric power. And the nitrates found in the Dead Sea are in great demand for the manufacture of explosives. The potential wealth and area of Palestine is beyond the thinking of most people.

Truly, Israel is GOD's greatest sign!

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