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Christian Reconstruction is *The Answer* to Humanism

We are watching our culture fall apart, and people bemoan that we no longer live in the moral universe we once did, or we experienced just a generation or two ago. What was built by centuries of Christendom is now deteriorating. We must begin with Christian Reconstruction.

That means doing what God says as we start with ourselves and our families, and then we work outward to our vocations and our various spheres of influence, but we have to start obeying God to reestablish the foundation upon something that is real. What is real is that God says "thou shalt not," or things will go badly for you, and we are proving day by day, year by year, that when we disobey God, and we defy His Law, things go badly. A concept that is exceedingly difficult to get people to realize is that God punishes the **WHOLE** nation, when that nation is in disobedience.

When Israel rejected God as King and chose a man to be king, God declared that it was a rejection of Himself:

1 Samuel 8:7

And the Lord said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.

God then prophesied their destiny.

1 Samuel 8:9-18

9 Now therefore hearken unto their voice: howbeit yet

protest solemnly unto them, and shew them the manner of the king that shall reign over them.

- ¹⁰ And Samuel told all the words of the Lord unto the people that asked of him a king.
- ¹¹ And he said, This will be the manner of the king that shall reign over you: He will take your sons, and appoint them for himself, for his chariots, and to be his horsemen; and some shall run before his chariots.
- ¹² And he will appoint him captains over thousands, and captains over fifties; and will set them to ear his ground, and to reap his harvest, and to make his instruments of war, and instruments of his chariots.
- ¹³ And he will take your daughters to be confectionaries, and to be cooks, and to be bakers.
- ¹⁴ And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your oliveyards, even the best of them, and give them to his servants.
- ¹⁵ And he will take the tenth of your seed, and of your vineyards, and give to his officers, and to his servants.
- ¹⁶And he will take your menservants, and your maidservants, and your goodliest young men, and your asses, and put them to his work.
- ¹⁷ He will take the tenth of your sheep: and ye shall be his servants.
- ¹⁸ And ye shall cry out in that day because of your king which ye shall have chosen you; and the Lord will not hear you in that day.

1 Samuel 12:6-25

- ⁶And Samuel said unto the people, It is the Lord that advanced Moses and Aaron, and that brought your fathers up out of the land of Egypt.
- ⁷Now therefore stand still, that I may reason with you before the Lord of all the righteous acts of the Lord, which he did to you and to your fathers.
- ⁸ When Jacob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cried unto the Lord, then the Lord sent Moses and Aaron, which brought forth your fathers out of Egypt, and made them dwell in this place.
- ⁹ And when they forgat the Lord their God, he sold them into the hand of Sisera, captain of the host of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the

king of Moab, and they fought against them.

¹⁰ And they cried unto the Lord, and said, We have sinned, because we have forsaken the Lord, and have served Baalim and Ashtaroth: but now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies, and we will serve thee.

¹¹And the Lord sent Jerubbaal, and Bedan, and Jephthah, and Samuel, and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies on every side, and ye dwelled safe.

¹² And when ye saw that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon came against you, ye said unto me, Nay; but a king shall reign over us: when the Lord your God was your king.

¹³ Now therefore behold the king whom ye have chosen, and whom ye have desired! and, behold, the Lord hath set a king over you.

¹⁴ If ye will fear the Lord, and serve him, and obey his voice, and not rebel against the commandment of the Lord, then shall both ye and also the king that reigneth over you continue following the Lord your God: ¹⁵ But if ye will not obey the voice of the Lord, but rebel against the commandment of the Lord, then shall the hand of the Lord be against you, as it was against your fathers.

¹⁶Now therefore stand and see this great thing, which the Lord will do before your eyes.

¹⁷ Is it not wheat harvest to day? I will call unto the Lord, and he shall send thunder and rain; that ye may perceive and see that your wickedness is great, which ye have done in the sight of the Lord, in asking you a king.

¹⁸So Samuel called unto the Lord; and the Lord sent thunder and rain that day: and all the people greatly feared the Lord and Samuel.

¹⁹ And all the people said unto Samuel, Pray for thy servants unto the Lord thy God, that we die not: for we have added unto all our sins this evil, to ask us a king.

²⁰ And Samuel said unto the people, Fear not: ye have done all this wickedness: yet turn not aside from following the Lord, but serve the Lord with all your heart:

²¹ And turn ye not aside: for then should ye go after vain things, which cannot profit nor deliver; for they are vain.

- ²² For the Lord will not forsake his people for his great name's sake: because it hath pleased the Lord to make you his people.
- ²³ Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way:
- ²⁴ Only fear the Lord, and serve him in truth with all your heart: for consider how great things he hath done for you.
- ²⁵ But if ye shall still do wickedly, ye shall be consumed, both ye and your king.

Because of their departure from God the King, and from the Law of that King, certain consequences would follow. This new monarchy had a responsibility to obey God and His Law, and Saul was judged in terms of the Law. (As we all are!) David was called to be faithful, blessed for his faithfulness. and severely punished for his breach of the Law. The reign of Solomon also records blessings and penalties in terms of obedience and disobedience, and the same is true of all the subsequent rulers of both Judah and Israel. The reforms recalled men to the Law; apostasy meant a contempt for and abandonment of the Law, and the God of the Law. The captivity in Babylon is shown to be a fulfilment of the curses of the Law. Jeremiah, in terms of the Law, had pronounced its curse upon Judah, and the Babylonian captivity came "To fulfil the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her Sabbaths: for as long as she lay desolate she kept Sabbath, to fulfil threescore and ten years." 2 Chronicles 36:21

To separate prophecy from the Law is to render both meaningless. Both the Law and the Prophets have reference to one basic fact, the Kingdom of God which is God's rule by Law over all the earth. Those that adhere to the tenets of premillennialism have been right in one respect: **the goal of biblical history is the Kingdom of God**. They have erred in making it purely eschatological and they have in effect denied the present Kingdom by denying the validity of God's Law today. By separating the Bible into standalone testaments and

presenting the New Testament as the only doctrine they need, they have denied the Law, the Prophets, and the Kingship of Christ. If we deny the King's Law, we deny the King. By separating the Kingdom from the Christian era, the rule of God is denied, and the world is turned over to Satan. Not surprisingly, people who hold to Scofield and the dispensational schools declare this present age to be ruled by Satan.

Throughout the Old Testament, when the Prophets charged that the nation had forsaken the Covenant, the theme of virtually all the Prophets is the same. They charged the nation with deserting God the King and His Covenant Law. Without a Covenant, there is no Law; a Covenant requires a Law. To renew the Covenant, as was done repeatedly in the Old Testament, and supremely by Christ at the Last Supper, was to renew the Law of the Covenant. Thus, every renewal of the Covenant was a renewal of the Law of the Covenant. This was true of Josiah's reformation and of every other reformation in Biblical history.

It is a requirement of true prayer that it be within the framework of the Law. We can pray that sinners be converted, but not that they be blessed in their lawlessness. We can pray for God's blessing on our obedience, but not for a blessing on disobedience. Prayer cannot be antinomian. To pray for grace to a sinner is to pray within the Law, for the basic fact about grace is that it is not antinomian. The sinner accepts God's law-judgment on his sin when he accepts God's grace, and grace is inseparable from that judgment.

The Law can no more be separated from the Prophets than wetness from water, for it is then no longer water, but something else. But this is not all. The Law cannot be separated from God without destroying it. Too often in our times the Law is abstracted from God and seen in isolation. Clearly, the Law cannot be separated from God without destroying it. The Law is then rootless and soon dead. The Prophets never presented a rootless Law but always the living

God and His Sovereign Will: The Law.

On Sunday, December 17th, I began a sermon series titled: **Do You Understand What You Believe?** Please join us each week and listen to the sermons on our webpage America's Promise Ministries - YouTube or if you do not have internet access, join our CD or DVD list. Walk with us as we begin this New Year exploring a great variety of complex subjects, and I am certain that both you and I stand to learn a great many things as we go along and learn more and more about God's wisdom, plans for the future, and His beautiful Law. This knowledge will help us all to conform our lives and reconstruct both us and our world to Christ. We need to obey our King!

If you join the CD or DVD list, we send out a CD or DVD each week so that you can listen to what we are studying. Please let me know your thoughts or questions as you listen along. We are in this together and we need to learn to work together as a Body encouraging one another in love. I echo Paul's words.

Ephesians 4:1-7

- ¹I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,
- ² With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;
- ³ Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
- ⁴ There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
- ⁵ One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
- ⁶ One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.
- ⁷But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.



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America or Israel First?

By John Friend, American Free Press

It's a question more and more Americans are asking these days: whom do Congress and the

federal government represent first—the United States or Israel? Whose interests are a priority for members of Congress—those of the American people or those of a tiny foreign nation 7,000 miles away?

The answer: In almost every case, Congress places the interests of Israel and international Zionism ahead of the American people. Every year, billions of dollars are sent to Israel while the issues most Americans care about—border security, healthcare, education, infrastructure, low taxes, safe streets—are neglected and ignored.

But the vast majority of members of Congress—Democrats and Republicans alike—fully endorse Zionism and the state of Israel, while shunning American patriotism and the interests of the American people. This is particularly true when it comes to the current war in the Middle East and America's unwavering support for the Zionist state.



Recently, Rep. Thomas Massie (R-Ky.) came under fire for daring to point out this very fact, i.e., that Congress prioritizes the interests of Israel and international Zionism over the American people.

Massie posted a simple picture on his official "X" page illustrating how eagerly Congress embraces Zionism while

spurning American patriotism, a post that generated an immediate and hysterical backlash from numerous U.S. politicians and pundits. Massie's graphic was denounced as "anti-Semitic," with many calling for the populist representative to remove the "meme" and apologize.

To read the entire article go to: https://americanfreepress.net/america-or-israel-first/.

Travesty

By Alan Edwards, British citizen
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"Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, and in that day I will make Jerusalem a burdenstone stone." Zechariah 12:2-3

The enmity between those calling themselves Jews and the displaced Palestinians goes back way before World War 2. And who is largely responsible for this? We are, the British, for we promised the land of Palestine to both the Jews and the Arabs. Although not in entirety, in the days during and just prior to the ending of World War 1.

First by issuing the unwise Balfour Declaration courtesy of the British Foreign Secretary and second by Captain T. E. Lawrence (of Arabia), the famous British officer, who spoke fluent Arabic, who sought the help of the Arabs to drive out the Turkish Ottoman forces from Palestine and surrounding areas in return for us to secure the land for their rightful occupation. Unfortunately, you cannot square the circle. Our mistake was to grossly underestimate the motivations of the Jewish propagandists and activists. And please bear in mind that this was decades before "the 'holocaust."

The Balfour Declaration promised the Jews a homeland, not a state, and the Jews as part of the agreement, were instructed to be respectful to the native (indigenous) inhabitants who already dwelt there. However, there was never likely to be a peaceful resolution, because for many years there had been Jewish incursions into Palestine even before World War 1, but also in the inter-war years 1918–1939. Additionally, the bloody Soviet Revolution in Russia had emboldened the atheistic Jews in their aspirations. This revolution saw the murder of over 20 million Russian Christians. [For more background on the Soviet Revolution read #308 – Behind Communism by Frank L. Britton Suggested gift amount \$12 plus \$5 shipping for an entire order.]

The booklet published by the British-Israel World Federation at the time of the Balfour Declaration, entitled "The Sovereignty of Palestine" had this to say regarding the Palestine Partition Plan.

"It was a British army and not a Jewish army which delivered Jerusalem from the Turks in 1917, and from December of that year, the Union Jack has flown over Government House in Jerusalem as the emblem of the sovereignty of Great Britain. There was no need to have a policy of restoring the land of Israel to the Israelites as we were already there!"

It is the British who are Semitic and Israelite and NOT the vast majority of so-called Jews. Please read the Bible carefully.

As with the case of the USA and China, at the end of World War 2, war weariness led to the scuttling away from our historic right of possession, in the face of Jewish terrorism directed against us and our soldiers, who were legally carrying out the United Nations mandate. It is a tragedy that the land of Palestine was not created as a Crown Colony under British jurisdiction.

There is a saying that sums up so much of what is happening today, "If you cannot convince 'em, confuse 'em." This is especially easy to do today as the level of individual human knowledge about almost everything is as low as it can get. And so, the forces of deliberate confusion forced into birth a diabolical creation where two irreconcilable peoples were made to live cheek by jowl with each other. After a series of wars, the result has been that the Palestinians have been pushed out of more and more of their rightful land. The final end game is, of course, to eject all of them either into the sea or some poor unfortunate country like Egypt. Such villainy is indescribable.

What Britain had tried to do was to utilize the Wisdom of Solomon, by dividing the land into two, as the child in the Bible for whom two women had claimed to be the mother. But we ended with the extraordinary spectacle of Great Britain

agreeing that the child (Palestine) be divided, in complete forgetfulness that **SHE** was the true parent herself!

Of course, the present conflict is just another part of the globalists' plan for a one-world atheistic government. If we do not stand for the rightful occupiers of Palestine, then we must not complain when our land is handed over to alien foreigners. This is, in any case very well advanced, and our fellow countrymen are already living under a subversive web of lies and intrigue. It is so important to stand up for all who are similarly threatened, such as the Tibetans who are suffering cultural genocide at the hands of the Red Chinese.

Of course, some nations and ethnic groups are exempt from the norms of civilized behaviour. This includes the Chinese, the so-called Jews and unfortunately the USA who have encouraged the illegal war in Ukraine and who in 2003 devastated a whole region of the Earth on the basis of a lie, namely Iraq etc. and who supported IRA terrorism against us!

The number of Israelis recently killed by Hamas – 1400 is less than those murdered in Northern Ireland, but, of course, they do not count! It is always the British who are the convenient whipping boys for other peoples' sins.

How then do we resolve the current appalling situation which has transpired? Could the Roman Church intervene? After all they have a history of hating both the Jews and the Arabs equally! Quite honestly, I feel that we are on the foothills of World War 3, which may be one month or one year or three or four years away. For there are plenty who are salivating at his prospect.

If we turn to **Psalm 120** of our Bible, we find it records that, "My soul hath long dwelt with him that hateth peace, I am for peace, but when I speak they are for war."

And in Psalm 140, "Deliver me, O Lord from the evil man, preserve me from the violent man, which imagine mischief in their heart, continually are they gathered together for war."

Right from the beginning it was clear that, like the ever ungrateful child, each concession to an aggressor once granted would be followed by a further demand. There is no satisfying the amoral advances of the unrepentant man. It is a never-ending pursuit of total power.

Our only hope is in Our Lord Jesus Christ, for He will exercise perfect judgment upon this world. And in the Beatitudes, He proclaimed "Blessed are the meek for THEY shall inherit the Earth." Amen!



The Jews' Religion Part 1 of 2

By Pastor Dave Barley

Introduction

This is a reprint of two articles that appeared in America's Promise Newsletters in May and June 1992. As you read through it, it is important to note that Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson died on June 2, 1994. As of November 2023, no one has succeeded him. He was called the seventh Chabad Rebbe, so there were six Rabbis before him in the Lubavitch movement.

According to Wikipedia, "Education and Sharing Day is a day established by the United States Congress in honor of the Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson." I am sure that most Americans today have no idea of the origin of this day. These two articles are available in booklet form. Suggested gift \$3.50/copy or \$1.50 per copy for 10 or more copies. \$5 shipping on an entire order.

Galatians 1:13-14

For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it: And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.

The Apostle Paul, before his dramatic conversion on the road to Damascus, was a man filled with hate and vengeance

against Christians. What was the source of his relentless attack against Christianity -- **THE JEWS' RELIGION!** I do not know what sentiment you may have towards the Jew, but for those of you who are unaware of the nature and purposes of the Jews' religion, please do not ignorantly pass this off as media stereotyped anti-Semitism.

Ignorance of the Jews' Religion Prevails

First of all, the phrase "Jews' religion" is not mine; it came from the Apostle Paul as recorded in the Bible. Secondly, and most importantly, do you really know what the customs, practices, and methods of the Jews' religion represent and signify? I have discovered over the years, that most of those people who praise and defend the Jews' religion, know little or nothing of its true nature and purpose. Contrary to what the media and most Judeo-Christian churches will tell you, Judaism is not the slightest bit Christian; in fact, it has been, and still represents, the most aggressive foe of Christianity.

The Unholy Alliance!

Foolishly, many Christians continue to naively defend and support Talmudic Judaism. They see Christianity as a branch of Judaism, which is a blasphemous untruth rooted in ignorance!

The Jews' religion is out to not only emasculate Christianity, but to seek its extinction. You will come to understand in this small booklet the devastating consequences of Christians aligning themselves with the Antichrists and this invariably leads to the serious spiritual, moral and political decline of Christianity. The more Christianity is merged with Judaism/Zionism, the weaker and more impotent she will become. Christians must not be unequally yoked if they are to survive, and they must quit associating themselves with the ungodly.

The term Judeo-Christian is a dichotomy, and a disgraceful abomination in which Christendom eventually will agonizingly grieve in repentance over! AS CHRISTIANS WE BELONG TO

JESUS CHRIST AND NO OTHER; LET US NOT POLLUTE THAT LIGHT BY UNITING WITH THE FORCES OF DARKNESS!

Are the Jews Above Reproach?

Today, many so-called Christian groups have the audacity to proudly flaunt the name Judeo-Christian; and they even have the unmitigated gall to put "Judeo" ahead of "Christian." This puts forth the unnerving message, whether by accident or on purpose, that the Jews' religion is



the more honored and sacred. If Christians only understood the radical difference between Judaism and true Christianity, they would know one may as well use the term Hindu-Christianity, or Mohammedan-Christianity, if they are going to use the term Judeo-Christian. In fact, Mohammedanism, though it certainly is not Christian, is still far closer to Christian theology than Talmudic Judaism.

1 Corinthians 10:21

You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons; you cannot partake of the Lord's table and of the table of demons.

Again, these are not my words, and I do not think the message given in this verse is hard to understand. Is Judaism so sacred, in your opinion, that it is immune or above reproach? Why then did Jesus charge the Pharisees (the high priests of Talmudic Judaism) in **Matthew 23:33**, *Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?* We have been clearly and specifically instructed in the Word of God on how to identify and know who the enemies of Christ are.

1 John 2:18-23

¹⁸ Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

- ¹⁹ They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.
- ²⁰ But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.
- ²¹ I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth.
- ²² Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.
- ²³ Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.

Notice "Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father." Well, the Jews claim they have the Father, but they deny the Son. However, the Apostle John said, if you deny one you have denied the other. In other words, they are in fact denying the Father (Yahweh) they claim to worship when they deny the Son (Jesus the Messiah).

These verses are words of warning for Christians to beware of *Whosoever denieth the Son*, and this includes the Jew. I have no doubt Christians take these words from 1 John very seriously, and they rightly warn non-believers to repent and acknowledge Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. But tell me, friends, are the Jews immune from damnation if they deny Jesus Christ?

Militant Religion

Now, obviously, there are many pagan anti-Christ religions throughout the world today, but the Jews' religion is the most militant and dogmatic in its attack against Christianity. In this article, it is my objective to acquaint you with the real and insidious nature of the Jews' religion. If the Jews are above reproach according to your point of view, then you need to KEEP READING!

First of all, in order to understand any religion, you need to be

familiar with its religious teachings. The most obvious place to begin your research would be to examine its "sacred teachings" or "holy books." The Babylonian Talmud is the Jewish bible; it is the written form of the traditions of the Pharisees and is the sole authority of the Jews' religion.

In his book, *A History of the Jews*, Abraham Leon Sacar – former President of Brandeis University – offers some interesting commentary regarding the disdain he and other Jews hold for the Christian faith. On page 152 of this book, Mr. Sachar provides this important insight:

"... the process of elaborating the law continued even after the Talmud has been completed. Commentaries grew up around every one of its volumes, and then there were commentaries upon these commentaries. But the Talmud was never displaced. It became the citadel of Jewish life all through the bitter Middle Ages and, in Eastern Europe, down into modern times.

"Almost as soon as the Jewish youngster was able to lisp his alphabet he was set to pore over the pages of the bulky tomes; most often his mind was steeped in Talmudic discussions long before he had clearly grasped the Bible itself." And the study of the Talmud continues until the very day of death. NO OTHER LITERATURE WAS WORTHY OF SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. THE WORKS OF CHRISTIANS AND PAGANS WERE NOT ONLY DANGEROUS, BUT A STUPID WASTE OF TIME THAT COULD BETTER BE DEVOTED TO THE SACRED LORE.

"Pages of the Talmud, like pages of the prayer books which had been torn and tattered in use, were reverently placed aside and buried with the dead."

In Volume 1 of the *Babylonian Talmud*, translated into English by Michael L. Rodkinson, we find that on the XI of the preface: "The modern Jew is the product of the Talmud." Elizabeth Dilling on page one of her startling book, *The Plot Against Christianity* quotes from the *Universal Jewish Encyclopedia* (1943):

"The Jewish religion as it is today traces its descent, without break, through all the centuries, from the Pharisees. Their leading ideas and methods found expression in a literature of enormous extent, of which a very great deal is still in existence. The Talmud is the largest and most important single place of that literature . . . and the study of it is essential for any real understanding of Pharisaism."

Rabbi Louis Finkelstein in Volume 1 of his publication, *The Pharisees, the Sociological Background of their Faith* said on page XXI of the foreword:

"Pharisaism became Talmudism, Talmudism became Medieval Rabbinism, and Medieval Rabbinism became Modern Rabbinism. BUT THROUGHOUT THESE CHANGES OF NAME, inevitable adaption of custom, and adjustment of Law, the spirit of ancient Pharisee survives unaltered." [capitalization for emphasis mine]

The Jewish author Bernard Lazare in his book, *Antisemitism: Its History and Causes*, translated by Britons Publishing Co., London – 1967, said on page 158:

"The Jew . . . is not content merely to <u>destroy Christianity</u> but he preaches the gospel of Judaism; he not only assails the Catholic or the Protestant faith, but he incites to unbelief and then imposes on those whose faith he has undermined this own conception of the world, of morality and of life. He is engaged in this historic mission, <u>the annihilation of the religion of Christ."</u> [underlining and bold emphasis mine]



Unpopular Truth!

Contrary to popular opinion, presentday Jews are not God's chosen people, nor do they have any valid Biblical or historical right to the title of Israel. The true descendants of Israel, who a thousand years before Christ were under Assyrian Captivity, were concentrated in the western front of Asia Minor, but a thousand years after Christ, they were concentrated in the western front of Europe. A century and a quarter after the Northern Kingdom of Israel went into Assyrian Captivity, the Southern Kingdom of Judah went into Babylonian Captivity. While in Babylonian Captivity, this remnant of Judah went through an interesting evolution.

Archeologist, author, and lecturer, Mr. E. Raymond Capt in his book, *Petra*, on page 26 said:

"In about 500 BC, after Babylon had fallen to the Persians, some of the captive Judeans were allowed to return to Palestine. Their arrival triggered conflicts with the Edomites, who had occupied the Judean's homeland during their sojourn in Babylon. At first, they plagued each other with raids, but ultimately the returning Judeans were strong enough to become the dominate force in Palestine."

"The complete subjection of the Edomites came about when John Hyrcanus (135-105 BC) caused all Edomite resistance and forced them to integrate into not only the new "Jewish" (originally meaning remnant of Judah) state but also into the Jewish religion. Josephus records the assimilation of the Edomites into the Judean nation: "Hyrcanus took also Dora and Marissa, cities of Idumean, and subdued all the Idumeans; and . . . they submitted to the use of circumcision, and the rest of the Jewish ways of living; at which time therefore this befell them that they were hereafter no other than Jews." Book XII, chapter IX, Section 1.

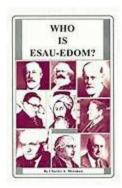
"From that day forward the name "Jew" could mean either an Israelite Judean [someone of the Southern Kingdom of Judah or a non-racial Israelite [someone living in the land of Judea – not of the seed of Jacob/Israel]; a fact that has caused so much misunderstanding of Bible prophecy. Thus, this confusion started about 125 years before the birth of Christ and has continued to this day.

'Although the merger of the Edomites into the Israelite nation was the end of the Edomites as a distinct people in Palestine their influence was to continue to plague the Judeans and eventually bring about the downfall of the House of Judah. The new Idumean 'converts,' now a legalized part of the

Jewish nation, began to seize power by any means at their disposal. The House of Hyrcanus itself, was finally deposed by the Idumean councilor Antipater who called in the help of the Nabataeans. The Idumeans remained in power in Hebrew life throughout the time of Christ.

Most Theologians have completely failed to examine this important evidence concerning Jewry and its Edomite connection. This is why many theologians today are reeling in confusion in light of Bible prophecy. They cannot rightly fit it with this counterfeit people called the Jews.

In his book, **Who is Esau-Edom?** author Charles A. Weisman shares with us on page 124 some additional information concerning the Jews, and their amalgamated ancestry.



"No one can deny that the Jews are a most unique and unusual people. That uniqueness exists because of their Edomite heritage. No other people fit the characteristics and follow the role of Esau-Edom so completely as do the Jewish people. The Jews follow the role that their ancestors, the Edomites, had followed. The Jew, however, is not just the descendant of Esau-Edom, but also of the other individuals and tribes that

intermarried with Esau. This would include the Hittites,

the Canaanites, the descendants of Ham through Canaan, Cush, and Nimrod, as well as the Israelites and Judahites that mixed with them."

These several documented quotes and the accompanying informative chart should alert every honest God-fearing Christian to the real danger posed by the followers of Talmudic Judaism. Hopefully, I have demonstrated to your satisfaction that the adherents to the Jews' religion are ancient and avowed enemies of Christianity who have relentlessly sought to subjugate us to their control.

[#760 - Who is Esau-Edom? suggested gift \$15 plus \$5 shipping per entire order.] As most of you know, they have already done this to a large extent through their debt/usury banking system, which has served them so well in times past.

History is replete with confirming examples.

In 1654, the leader of New Amsterdam and a stalwart defender of the Christian faith, Peter Stuyvesant, wrote an angry letter to the Dutch settlement's directors in Holland regarding a newly arrived but highly unwelcome band of twenty-three Jews.

He said, "The Jews who arrive here would nearly all like to remain... but with their customary usury and deceitful trading with Christians are very repugnant...' They are a very crafty and generally treacherous people... and owing to their indigence... might become a charge in the coming winter... such hateful enemies of the name of Christ [should] not be allowed further to infect and trouble this new colony." The Land That I Show You by Jewish author Stanley Feldstein, page 1.

Johann Megapolensin, the Catholic-born zealot of the Reformed Church, echoed Stuyvesant's sentiments in a letter to the archbishop in Holland. He wrote, "These people have no other God than Mammon of unrighteousness, and no other aim than to get possession of Christian property... Therefore, we request your Reverences to obtain from the Messrs. Directors, that these godless rascals, who are of no benefit to the country but look at everything from their own profit, may be sent away from here." The Land That I Show You page 2. [bold for emphasis mine]

Treacherous Greed

Time has not diminished the treacherous greed of the Zionists. The terrific negative impact their continuing economic control has on Christianity was perfectly understood by Balzac [French novelist and playwright 1799-1850] when he said, "The final battle for Christianity will be over the money problem, and until that is solved there can be no universal application of Christianity."

As a Christian nation, we can never consider ourselves a free people until we remove ourselves from the iron grip of this Babylonian money system. America, Canada, The United Kingdom, Europe, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, as well as other nations of Christendom, are being humbled by the Hand of Almighty God under this end-time oppressive

Babylonian System. What is required of Israel is clearly spelled out in **2 Chronicles 7:14.**

THE TWO MOST CONTRASTING RELIGIONS

JUDAISM FROM THE TALMUD	CHRISTIANITY FROM THE BIBLE
Approves of Sodomy: "If one committed sodomy with a child of less than nine years, no guilt is incurred." Sanhedrin 54b	Prohibits Sodomy: Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination. Leviticus 18:22
Approves of Child Sacrifice to Idols: "He who gives of his seed to Molech incurs no punishment." Sanhedrin 64a	Prohibits Child Sacrifice to Idols: Whosoever gives any of his seed to Molech; he shall surely be put to death: Lev. 20:2
Cursing Parents Allowed: "One who curses his parents isn't punished unless he curses them by Divine name." Sanhedrin 66a	Cursing Parents Prohibited: He that curseth his father, or his mother, shall be put to death. Exodus. 21:17, Matthew 15:4
Allows Enchanting: "It is permitted to consult by a charm the spirits of oil and eggs, and make incantations." Sanhedrin 101a	Disallows Enchanting: None of you shall be as enchanter or a charmer, or consulter with familiar spirits. Deut. 18:10-11
Bestiality Condoned: "Women having intercourse with a beast can marry a priest, the act is but a mere wound." Yebamoth 59b	Bestiality Condemned: You shall not lie with any beast, nor shall any woman stand before a beast to lie with it. Leviticus 18:23
Harlotry Lawful: "A harlot's hire is permitted, for what the woman has received is legally a gift." Abodah Zara 62b-63a	Harlotry Unlawful: She that plays the whore in her father's house shall be put to death. Deuteronomy 22:21
Blasphemy Allowed: "One can revile the Divine Name if mentally applying it to some other object." Sanhedrin 65a-b	Blasphemy Punishable: He that blasphemes the name of the LORD shall surely be put to death. Leviticus 24:16
Not required to Keep Vows: One may declare: "Every vow which I may make in the future shall be null." Nedarim 23a-23b	Required to Keep Vows: If a man vows, he shall not break his word, he shall do according to all that he spoke. Numbers 30:2
Murder Condoned: "If ten men smote a man with ten staves and he died, they are exempt from punishment. Sanhedrin 78a	Murder Forbidden: He that smites a man with a stave so he dies, he is a murderer and shall be put to death. Numbers 35:18

The chart is from *Who is Esau-Edom?* page 50. To be continued.



An Insider's View of Putin's Russia

Should Westerners look to Russia for relief from "woke" ideologues?

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. . . Unfortunately, the extreme, polarizing views that Westerners are spoon-fed about Russia leave little room for nuance, and there is rarely any depth to English-language commentary about the Russian government's policies or Russia's current trajectory as a civilization. Having lived in Russia for nearly a decade, I would like to offer a brief outline of what I see as the arguments for and against the notion that Westerners should consider Moscow an ally, or at least a beacon of hope, during these profoundly troubling times.

Russians are by and large socially conservative, and the lives they lead are generally far more grounded and traditional than what you will find in large swathes of the West. There are Russian laws against LGBTQ+ propaganda (publicly marketing homosexuality to minors), and the State Duma (their Congress) recently passed legislation banning gender reassignment surgery. In 2012, a Moscow court imposed a 100-year ban on gay pride parades in the city.

There is also very low tolerance for any kind of NG/Sororfunded "activism" in Russia – the prosecution of a female punk band after their desecration of Moscow's Cathedral of Christ the Savior in 2012 being a good example of this no-nonsense attitude. It's worth pointing out that Russia takes its foreign agent laws quite seriously and has either banned or placed severe restrictions on organizations that seek to promote "Western values" in the country.

In fact, it would be safe to say that must of the "woke" culture currently tormenting the West – especially in schools, universities, and in the workplace – is non-existent in Russia.

The government promotes Orthodox Christianity through

various initiatives and the Russia Orthodox Church has a very close relationship with the Kremlin. This has been both a blessing and a curse. For example, during "the pandemic," the Church implemented a number of highly unpopular policies, including limiting services and requiring parishioners to wear masks, although this rule was rarely enforced outside of large cities. . .

Over the past decade or so, there has been a true Christian resurgence in Russia. In 2019, Patriarch Kirill revealed that 30,000 had been built in the last ten years. Homeschooling is legal in Russia and there is still a tradition of self-sufficiency – perhaps best manifested by the dacha vegetable garden, which each Russian (or their grandmother) has.

On the international stage, Moscow continues to strengthen economic and political ties with a growing list of countries that are fed up with Washington's dictates. The BRICS [Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa] alliance has even signaled that it could deploy its own currency—a direct challenge to U.S. dollar hegemony—and it will be interesting to see how these moves play out.

But what makes Russia truly special is its rich cultural and spiritual tradition. There is arguably no other country on Earth that has so much untapped potential. Like the United States, it is a vast country of almost unlimited possibilities—largely without the social degradation promoted by Washington and its vassals.

RUSSIA AND GLOBALISM

Here is where things get a bit murky. While two-thirds of Russian citizens identify as Orthodox Christians, surveys show only 4-8% actually practice their religion in a serious way. . .

In recent years, the divorce rate in Russia has fluctuated between 65-70%. This alarming figure ties into a larger problem facing the country: Russia is suffering from a catastrophic demographic crisis, and government policies designed to counteract the decline in the birth rate have been basically ineffectual.

In 2021, Russia's natural population decline (when the number of deaths exceeds the number of births) was a staggering 1.04 million people—a figure worse than the darkest days of the 1990s. In 2022, this number decreased to 600,000, but experts have warned that the annual decline in the population could creep back up to 1 million without drastic measures. In July 2022, the birth rate fell to a level that hasn't been seen since 1943.

This brings us to the Russian government's approach to "public health," which unfortunately was not significantly different from the WHO-endorsed policies imposed on the West throughout the Covid-19 "pandemic." Russia adopted compulsory vaccination decrees (which deprived people of employment if they didn't have a vax certificate), and every region of Russia implemented some form of digital "health certificate" required to enter businesses—policies that were fully endorsed by the federal government. . .

The Russian government also recently created a Unified Biometric System (UBS), a centralized database for all biometric data. Shockingly, UBS is not fully controlled by the government, and is operated by a for-profit joint-stock company that will capitalize on (and monopolize) the country's complete transition to biometric identification. . .

Perhaps it's time for Americans, Europeans, and Russians to support one another in the fight against the global "New Normal."

To read the full article go to:

https://americanfreepress.net/an-insiders-view-of-putinsrussia/

Let's Rally for Work Ahead

By Margaret Reid

Another year gone. Last year I began my article with a New Year's letter of anticipation. Excited for the things to come, I ruminated over all the things we had planned. Yet, there were a great many things that we had not planned. The loss of our fearless leader, Dave; My brother-in-law moving here, visitors dropping in unexpectedly, sudden repairs needed, and a various myriad of minor things that tend to crop up and eat all your time and kill all your plans! I was so excited for the lessons I had planned for the year. I was excited for the projects we had planned and the visitors we had scheduled. All things considered; it was indeed a wonderful year. I truly cannot believe it has gone so quickly.

Other articles focused on Kingdom building and familial obligations, serving God with a cheerful heart, and how mothers can influence the community by building a peaceful God centered home. I do enjoy being able to use my experiences to teach service to Christ in real time. Those articles to me were life lessons learned on the go! Those lessons continue to point to our loving Savior as I interact with the outside world.

As the year progressed, my focus shifted from one pressing task to the next, leading quickly to burnout and frustration. I tried valiantly to recall my mission and muster the momentum I had in the beginning of the year, and looking back, I can see those efforts in my articles. I was repeatedly derailed, and in some things, I failed miserably. I am sad at the ground I lost, but looking down on another new year, I am encouraged to rally and double down on my efforts to seek first the Kingdom! I hope to encourage you too! I did not manage to live up to my own expectations in 2023. Perhaps my perspective is off because the last few months have been hectic. Perhaps I place too high a bar on my own life, perhaps I simply do not prioritize things in the right order. I place a premium on holding myself accountable, and I think you should too. This year we

will focus on seeking first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness.

Let us get back to daily devotional time, quiet prayer time, prayer journals and "Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled." 2 Corinthians 10:5-6.

This verse here encapsulates my number one issue these last few months. I was letting my imagination run away, and my daily thoughts and ruminations wander far from the Lord. This led to disobedience in some areas of my life, and a lack of peace in all of it. The last few months of my life have felt messy, disorganized, and frantic. Chasing one gremlin, so to speak, after another. Living life as if I were chasing my tail; relentless, exhausting, and fruitless. Certainly, my life has been without peace. I no longer wish to pursue such fruitless endeavors; I have high and lofty goals for myself.

I wish to pursue true God centered education for my children. I want to rearrange the children's room at church to function as a real classroom. I wish to continue my piano lessons so I can one day play for the congregation. I would love to start a women's bible study. I plan to continue my fitness journey, my sewing aspirations, make a dent in my reading list, or maybe just finish more than one book every three months! Fill my shelves with canned meals, my freezers with homemade foods. Make Kombucha, sour cream and parmesan.

But first, I wish to become a vessel for the Holy Spirit and an Ambassador of Christ. I believe there is no better way to do this than to look to the renewal of life promised in the resurrection. In celebrating the arrival of the new year, one cannot help but be excited for all the promise a new year holds. The promise of anniversaries, birthdays, spring, planting, preparing, gardens, summer, adventures, the inevitable newfound friends, and the nourishing of old

friendships.

We have the hope of new growth, in ourselves, our children and our homesteads. The blessings of obedience, the wisdom of the Lord. This year, let us stay accountable to each other. For the next thirty days, get up earlier than you normally do, take a few minutes to open your Bible and read a little bit. Just pick your favorite verse and start there. You could pray about it beforehand and open to a random page. Finish with a prayer of gratitude and a little writing in a journal. Begin your day seeking the Lord and taking every thought captive, revenge disobedience and claim the Kingdom for Christ!

Take note of the changes that take place in your life. I know it will be profound, because only extraordinary things happen when the Lord is placed in them! While you are seeking the Lord, ask what the Lord would have you do. What can you change in your life, right now to have an impact in growing the Kingdom? I know this year is my year to focus on the kids' homeschooling. I have not been nearly as consistent as I would like. So, this year we are going all-in. I will put everything else aside and make school my number 1 priority. Let's see what happens when we give it our all and refuse to accept failure. Maybe, just maybe, we can accomplish greatness, in the name of the King.

Luke 19:12-13

¹² He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. ¹³ And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, <u>Occupy till I come</u>.

