

The Seed

The Bible is the story of Jesus Christ. Jesus tells us of Himself that He is the Word of God made flesh, and He calls the Word of God the 'seed'. I would like us to do a systematic study on the 'seed' of God through the Holy Bible, starting in Genesis and tracing this theme through scripture. We shall only use the Bible to help us interpret the Bible - **1 Corinthians 2:13**.

Luke 8:11

"Now the parable is this: **The seed is the word of God.**"

John 1:14

"And the **Word was made flesh**, and dwelt among us..."

Genesis - Planting the Seed

The narrative begins with the creation of Heaven & Earth and all that in them is, culminating in the creation of Mankind. By Chapter 3 we learn of how the first human beings, endowed with the awesome power of free-will, rebelled against God and brought the curse of death & suffering into the creation (**Romans 5:12**). It is in the discourse between the Son of God, the serpent who deceived the first people into their rebellion, and Adam & Eve that we are introduced to the 'seed' which we intend to follow through the rest of His-story.

Genesis 3:15

"And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her **seed**; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."

Let us unpack this verse because there is a lot of information contained in it.

1. The 'seed' of the woman is Jesus Christ, born incarnate, making Him both & fully God + man (**John 1:1-14**). This is the first prophecy of the virgin birth (**Isaiah 7:14**) & the first instance of the gospel being taught to fallen sinners.
2. God puts enmity between Jesus Christ (and those in Him - **Galatians 4:1-7** + **John 1:12**) and Satan (and those in him - **Romans 1:18-32** + **John 8:44**). This means we are natural adversaries.
3. The ultimate victory will be Christ's over the devil, and all who are in Christ have the victory (**John 16:33** + **Revelation 12:11**), but all who choose sin over love / lies over truth will perish with their spiritual father; Lucifer (**Matthew 23:33**).
4. There will be a bruised heel, the cost of the cross (**1Corinthians 15:1-4**)!

So there are two seeds, Christ & Lucifer / Truth & Lies / Light & Darkness. We learn more about the two seeds, and how they compete for the souls of men, in the parable of the tares:

Matthew 13:36

"Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, **Declare unto us the parable of the tares** of the field.

He answered and said unto them, **He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one;**"

Jesus plants His 'seed' (the gospel aka the truth - **Romans 1:16** + **John 14:6**) into the hearts of people who fear Him and seek Him for reconciliation (but withholds it from the proud - **Psalm 147:6** + **Proverbs 29:23**):

Hebrews 11:6

“But without faith it is impossible to please him: for **he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.**”

Satan plants his seed (lies **John 8:44**) into people who love darkness rather than light and choose evil over God (**John 3:19-21**).

It would be a correct world-view to see the earth as a field in which God is growing crops (or actually children - **Revelation 14:14-17**), and that he allows Satan to exist and create lies in order to facilitate the free choice that God has ordained every person to make (**Genesis 2:16-17 + Revelation 22:17**):

Deuteronomy 30:19

“I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: **therefore choose life**, that both thou and thy seed may live:”

So we are introduced to all of the major themes of scripture very early on, and most importantly we have identified our ‘seed’ so we can follow this particular theme as we continue to read through God’s inspired & preserved Word, and we can elaborate on the associated themes as we learn more from the scriptures.

Genesis - The War Begins

After the fall, Adam and Eve are expelled from the paradise of Eden, and start their new life. Children are born to them and the world is populated with their descendants. In Chapter 4 of the book of Genesis we meet their two oldest sons named Cain & Abel. They have been taught the gospel, as had their parents (**Genesis 3:21**), and with it the powerful illustration of the animal sacrifice which we become even more familiar with in the Exodus story and the passover lamb (**Exodus 12:21**), and later with the old covenant & the Levitical priesthood (a picture of Christ’s atoning sacrifice - **Hebrews 7**).

Genesis 4:3-7

“And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the **fruit of the ground** an offering unto the LORD.

And Abel, he also brought of the **firstlings of his flock** and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:

But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?

If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, **and thou shalt rule over him.**”

Now let us unpack this scripture a bit before we continue.

1. Cain does not obey God’s instructions, but rather tries to impress God with his own works. This is born of Pride and his offering is a picture of all false religions - works (**Jude v11 + Ephesians 2:8-9**).
2. Abel obeys God and shows his faith (**Hebrews 11:4**).
3. God is looking for a faithful man to be the head of His family/house on earth (**Psalms 23:6 + 1 Peter 2:5**).

We read later that Cain takes out his frustrations upon his brother Abel and murders him. This shows firstly that Cain became a seed of the serpent, while Abel a seed of Christ (**Galatians 3:29**), and then it demonstrates to us that the enmity God put between the serpent seed and the children of God is very real, and this first persecution of the faithful children of God from the

satanic reprobates began the age old war between good & evil, light and darkness, the former trying to persuade the latter to repent, while the latter persecutes and murders the former.

1 John 3:12

“Not as **Cain, who was of that wicked one**, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.”

With Abel dead, God blesses Eve with another seed who she names Seth. Through Seth the seed line continues:

Genesis 4:25

“And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, said she, hath appointed me another **seed** instead of Abel, whom Cain slew.”

Satan used Cain to try to end the line (**John 8:44**), break the Lord's prophecy of His demise, and save himself. But he failed, and the line continues through the chapters of Genesis and through time and generations until we meet Noah.

10 Generations from Adam and sadly the whole world is filled with violence (**Genesis 6:11**), because the sons of God fall to the temptations of the heathen women (**Genesis 6:2**), which becomes Satan's *modus operandi* throughout the ages (**2 Corinthians 2:11**). Noah is the last faithful man in the Christ seed line! God intervenes by passing terrible judgement upon the earth with a flood. Only Noah & his sons are preserved on the Ark (**Genesis 6:8**), and they and their families repopulate the earth after the waters recede.

After many generations the earth is becoming repopulated and God commands the people to disperse around the world and form separate tribes and nations. However the unfaithful (under the will of Satan - **2 Timothy 2:26 + Ephesians 2:2, 6:12**) rebel against the command of God, just as Cain had (**Psalms 2:1-3**), and determine to build a tower to reach heaven (**Genesis 11:4**), an attempt Satan will repeat at the end of the world (attacking heaven), when he is finally and permanently cast out of heaven - **Isaiah 14:13 + Revelation 12:7**.

Their efforts to reach heaven with their own works (Babel being a picture of false religion again - **Romans 3:20, 11:6**) are thwarted by God who confounds their languages and creates the world's first nations - **Genesis 11:7 + Acts 17:26**. Amongst these nations God has determined to create His own nation (**Exodus 19:6 + 1 Peter 2:9**), named after Himself (**2 Chronicles 7:14 + Ephesians 3:15**) and populated with His faithful children who would be His congregation on earth (**Leviticus 8:3 + Acts 7:38**), and to be a light to the other nations and a witness for God to the whole earth - **Genesis 22:18 + Isaiah 49:6 + Luke 2:32!**

Genesis - A Nation Is Born

The story continues through Genesis until we meet a man called Abram, who is specially chosen by God for his faith (**Genesis 15:6**) & because God knew that he would teach all of his household, family, heirs and servants all, to trust the Lord and obey Him.

Genesis 18:19

“For I know him, that **he will command his children and his household after him**, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.”

This is the patriarch that the Lord chose to be the federal head of His family, or house, on earth.

Genesis 26:4

“And I will make thy **seed** to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy **seed** all these countries; and in thy **seed** shall all the nations of the earth be blessed;”

When God chose Abraham to be the patriarch, He made him some promises.

1. He promised Abraham that he would have an heir - **Genesis 15:4**.
2. He promised Abraham that his *seed* would number more than the stars - **Genesis 15:5**.
3. He promised Abraham that he would inherit the land of the Canaanites - **Genesis 15:7**.
4. He promised Abraham that his *seed* would inherit the land - **Genesis 15:18**.

Three points to cover here:

***Firstly**, it is commonly misunderstood that the promise to Abraham was that his physical descendants would inherit the land of Israel, but the promise was to Abraham and his seed, which is explained to mean:

Galatians 3:16

“**Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made**. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.”

So it is for Jesus Christ to inherit the land, and He will do so when He brings His kingdom physically to earth in the commonly called ‘millennial kingdom’ (**Revelation 20:6**), which He will bring after the second coming and the day of the Lord. And ***secondly**, this is when Abraham will also inherit the land, because he has not yet:

Hebrews 11:9-10

“By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, **as in a strange country**, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.”

It is a wonderful thing to know for a child of God that this promise is also for us! - **Romans 8:17**

Galatians 3:29

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

And ***thirdly** this promise (**Genesis 15:16**) is also a prophecy that Noah's curse upon Canaan the son of Ham (**Genesis 9:25**) would be fulfilled. When God brings the children of Israel out of Egypt and uses them to conquer the Canaanites, this is a judgement upon them for centuries of terrible iniquity, even worshipping Satan and sacrificing their own children!

At the end of Abraham's mortal life he had to pass the covenant headship and the blessing that comes with it to an heir. Abraham had an older son called Ishmael, but he was not the child that God had promised and so the blessing passed to Isaac instead (**Genesis 26:24**):

Hebrews 11:18

“Of whom it was said, That in **Isaac** shall thy **seed** be called:”

This passing over of the first born is repeated when the blessing is passed on to Jacob too (**Genesis 27:41**). And you may have noticed it was the younger Abel who was found faithful also:

Isaiah 41:8

“But thou, Israel, art my servant, **Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed** of Abraham my friend.”

Why did God have them pass the headship and covenant on to the second born son, especially when it was traditional for the first born to receive this blessing?

Galatians 4:22- 26

“For it is written, that Abraham had **two sons**, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman. But he *who was* of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman *was* by promise. **Which things are an allegory:** for these are the **two covenants**; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.”

So what does all that mean? Well we can compare this passage to what we read in **Romans 9** to help us get a clearer picture, and what we learn is that God is using these events as an allegory to teach us about salvation. As Adam was the first man of the flesh, so Christ is the second man of the spirit, and so each of us must have our second birth of the spirit aka ‘be born again’ (**John 3:7**) to enter the family and house of God, meaning we are forgiven of our sins and gifted eternal life, amen!

1 Corinthians 15:45-47

“And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit that *was* not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. The **first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven.**”

The two covenants, also called the old & new testaments of God are also a picture of the same. The first covenant of God was the 10 Commandments. While these are perfect moral laws for which to live by, they actually represent death (or the flesh - **Romans 3:20**), because nobody can keep them as we are all sinners (**Romans 3:23**). But the New Testament in the blood of Jesus Christ brings eternal life in the form of a free gift (**Romans 5:18**). Jesus kept the law for me, and died for me, and I receive this gift through faith in His finished work; the death, burial and resurrection - **1 Corinthians 15:1-4**. The law is intended to convict me of sin and bring me to Christ for salvation - **Galatians 3:24**. The law could never save - **Galatians 3:21**.

2 Corinthians 3:6

“Who also hath made us able ministers of the New Testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: **for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.**”

We will cover more about promises and covenants later, but for now we will continue with the tracing of the seed, now as Jacob, who was renamed Israel - **Genesis 35:10** (one of the names of God - **Genesis 32:28** + **Exodus 4:22-23**, because God names His children after Himself - **2 Chronicles 7:14** + **Ephesians 3:15**), also reaches the end of his headship over God’s house, must pass on the rule and inheritance. We can read about this in **Genesis 49**:

Genesis 49:10

“**The sceptre shall not depart from Judah**, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, **until Shiloh come**; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.”

Israel passes the rule to Judah and prophecies of the coming Messiah through his lineage. Shiloh means peace, and the Messiah is called the “prince of peace” - **Isaiah 9:6**. This brings us to the end of the book of Genesis and into the Exodus of the children of God out of Egypt and into the promised land, an amazing picture of every individual’s salvation from the fallen world & into the kingdom of heaven - **Romans 15:4**.

Exodus - The Church in the Wilderness

As we enter the book of Exodus which chronicles the house of God leaving their sojourn in the land of Egypt, Moses gives us more inspired details of Jacob’s prophecy about the ‘seed’, in Deuteronomy:

Deuteronomy 18:18

“I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.”

God allowed the descendants of the house of Jacob, who was renamed Israel after the Lord his God, to sojourn in Egypt for 4 centuries (**Exodus 12:40**), by which time they had multiplied into a great nation (**Exodus 1:9**). So much so that the heathen Egyptian rulers persecuted them out of fear of an uprising (**Exodus 1:10**). Their cries unto God were heard and He chose Moses to rescue them from Egypt (**Exodus 3:14**), and to take them into the ‘promised land’... We may recall that the space of 4 centuries was granted so that the inhabitants of the land could repent, but alas they did not, and the incoming Israelite displacement was God’s judgement upon them (**Genesis 15:16**).

After 40 years in the wilderness, a punishment upon the older generation for not trusting in the Lord (**Numbers 26:65**), God takes the Israelites into the land to form a nation named after Himself, built upon His righteous laws and intended to protect and preserve the physical lineage that God had prophesied for the ‘seed’ to be born through (from the tribe of Judah - **Genesis 49:10**).

It is important to note that the nation is not just made up of the physical descendants of Abraham the patriarch, because firstly, Ishmael and his line are not included, neither are Esau and his descendants. But the servants of Abraham, Isaac & Israel, and even Egyptians & others who believed in the God of the Hebrews, are all included (**Exodus 12:38**). So we can see that the nation is made up of faithful people, and as we saw in the judgement that kept the congregation in the wilderness for 40 years, unbelievers were not supposed to be included.

It really is all about faith! - **Acts 10:34**.

Let us examine the covenant and the promises that were made to Moses and the people:

Exodus 12:48

“And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.”

The covenant with the people of Israel included commands to allow people of other ethnicities / nations to join if they converted. We see an example of this happening in the book of Esther:

Esther 8:17

“And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness, a feast and a good day. **And many of the people of the land became Jews;** for the fear of the Jews fell upon them.”

We also see commands from God that if anybody born in Israel did not trust the Lord and observe His law they were to be kicked out of the nation (a principle we still observe in congregations today - **1 Corinthians 5**):

Numbers 15:31

“**Because he hath despised the word of the LORD, and hath broken his commandment, that soul shall utterly be cut off; his iniquity shall be upon him.**”

God promised to bless the people of His nation *if* they trusted in the Lord & kept His laws and were a light unto the rest of the world - **Deuteronomy 28:1-14**.

But if the people rebelled against the Lord then His blessings would be stopped and terrible judgement would come (another principle that applies to individual saints and assemblies today - **2 Timothy 3:16 + 1 Corinthians 10:11**). In fact, God prophesied that they would fail to keep the covenant and would be spewed out of the land He promised to Abraham and his seed - Jesus Christ (**Leviticus 18:28**).

Deuteronomy 28:15

“But it shall come to pass, **if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee:**”

The history of the nation of Israel is a tragic one. They would succeed during times of faithful leadership, but would fall away in diverse temptations during times of plenty. This cycle, very notable in the book of Judges, continued until the time of Christ about 1600 years after the Exodus and the creation of the nation of Israel.

Through this time the enemy persisted in attempts to destroy the prophesied line of the seed (**1 Chronicles 21:1, Psalm 2:2 + Matthew 2:16** and so on...), but God always protected His congregation and revealed more details about the coming seed as we progress through time, closer & closer to His coming.

Side note: The land promises we covered earlier were to Abraham, his seed Jesus Christ, and those in Him - **Galatians 3** (New Testament Christians, Old Testament Israelites & Saints of old, both antediluvian & post-flood; during the priesthood of Melchizedek - **Genesis 14:18, Psalm 110:4 + Hebrews 7**). This is to be fulfilled when Christ brings in His thousand year reign on earth - **Revelation 2:27, Psalm 2:8-9 + Isaiah 2:2-4 + 65**. But for the faithful Israelites entering the land, they had taken all of the promised land in their day too - **Joshua 1:1-4, 1 Kings 4:21 + Nehemiah 9:22-24**, despite some false teachings to the contrary. There is a false doctrine, used for political purposes, teaching that God must give the land to unbelieving people who claim descent from Abraham. But we know that is not Biblical. We will examine this more when we reach the new testament as we continue tracing the *seed*.

Matthew 3:9

“**And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father...**”

The Prophets

After the formation of the nation of Israel, God's assembly on earth, He would send them prophets to teach them more about the coming saviour, the prophesied seed. We learn that He would be born from the line of King David:

2 Samuel 7:12

“And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, **I will set up thy seed after thee**, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.”

Revelation 22:16

“I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. **I am the root and the offspring of David**, and the bright and morning star.”

There are many prophecies of the coming Messiah, but we do not have time to examine them all here. We will however look at the details about the new covenant that He would bring, and details surrounding that:

Jeremiah 31:31

“Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, **that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel**, and with the house of Judah:”

God's family or 'House' on earth is named after Him, as we have covered:

Ephesians 3:15

“**Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,**”

The new covenant or 'testament' was brought into effect by Jesus Christ's atoning sacrifice on the cross, after He finished the work of the old testament for us and declared "It is finished" - **John 19:30:**

Luke 22:20

“Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, **This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.**”

So we read that God foretold He would bring a new covenant for His house (Israel), when the seed would become incarnate. This is not a separate covenant for 'church age Christians' that is different to the covenant given to Abraham's physical descendants, as some heretics teach, but is an everlasting, prophesied covenant to replace the one given to Moses on Mount Sinai.

Hebrews 8:13

“In that he saith, **A new covenant, he hath made the first old**. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.”

This is why our Bible is divided into old & new testaments. Everybody in God's family is in the New Testament with & through Jesus Christ, by faith and faith alone in Him! The diabolical teaching that a person 'born' into the old covenant is *saved* by birthright, without faith in the seed, is evil and will damn people who believe it to hell! We have established, with clear scripture, that the old covenant never saved, the new covenant is for Israel, that all believers are

grafted into the house of Israel (**Romans 11**) who is headed by the Lord Jesus Christ, and no genealogy did ever save a single soul - **Titus 3:9**.

Ezekiel 37:26

“Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an **everlasting covenant** with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore.”

Hebrews 8:10

“For **this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel** after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:”

Ephesians 2:12-14

“That at that time ye were **without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise**, having no hope, and without God in the world: But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off **are made nigh by the blood of Christ**. For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and **hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;**”

With this prophecy of the new and better covenant is also a prophecy of a time of reformation for the religion & even a prophecy of a new name that God would call His people by:

1. REFORMATION

Hebrews 9:10

“Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them **until the time of reformation.**”

God gave the Levitical priesthood to the nation of Israel to be symbolic of Jesus Christ & His sacrifice for the sins of mankind. This was intended to prepare them to receive the seed when He came (**John 1:11**). There is no longer any need for these symbolic practices and we are not required to observe them any more (things such as the passover, replaced by Easter, & the dietary laws, Sabbaths and such...):

Colossians 2:14

“**Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances** that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;”

Side note: The false religion of Catholicism (Roman, Orthodox & Protestant Catholic all) has a doctrine called ‘covenant theology’ or ‘replacement theology’ which teaches that the Levitical priesthood was replaced with a new priesthood that they now perform. This is bogus, because we who are indwelt with the Holy Spirit of promise in the new covenant are all priests:

1 Peter 2:9

“But ye are a chosen generation, **a royal priesthood**, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:”

This means we do not need another person to mediate between us and God. We can pray directly to Him, and we do not need an idol/statue of ‘saints’ or the ‘queen of heaven’ for us to pray to God (**Leviticus 26:1**)!

1 Timothy 2:5

“For there is one God, and **one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;**”

2. NEW NAME

You may have noticed that God likes to give His new creations new names, and His people in the new covenant were also foretold that they would be called by a new name too:

Isaiah 62:2

“And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: **and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name.**”

This prophecy was fulfilled when the seed came and brought in the new covenant:

Acts 11:26

“... And **the disciples were called Christians** first in Antioch.”

So the ‘sons of God’ aka ‘Saints’ were named after God in the nation of Israel, and now that the nation has had the borders removed (**Ephesians 2:14**), as the kingdom of heaven fills the whole earth (**Matthew 24:14 + Daniel 2:35**), we are now called Christians.

3. NEW NATION

When Jesus Christ finally came in the manger at Bethlehem, He wanted to find the nation He had prepared as a light to all of the other nations, demonstrated by the Temple being a house of prayer for the people of the whole earth (**Matthew 21:13**). However, because of their unbelief, the nation had reduced to only a remnant of righteous Jews (the original nation of Israel had been broken up - **1 Kings 11:11 + 12:1**, and God did not need to preserve the other tribes, but only the tribe of Judah, through which the seed would come):

Isaiah 56:7

“Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for **mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people.**”

By the time Christ had come in the flesh, the nation was reduced to the tribe of Judah, and Benjamin & some Levites, in the southern Kingdom of Judah. The people at this time were called Jews, after the name of their land. God allowed heathen nations to destroy and disperse the other tribes for their rebellion against Him. But preserved Judah (until 70 A.D. - **Matthew 24:2, Luke 21:21 + Daniel 9:26**) to fulfil the prophecy of His seed:

Isaiah 5:7

“For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of **Judah his pleasant plant**: and he looked for judgment, but behold oppression; for righteousness, but behold a cry.”

But once Christ had come through this line it needed not to be preserved any more, after all through Christ all of the promises would be kept, and both He and His new covenant are eternal & will never end.

Because the nation under the old covenant had failed to bring in the harvest God had wanted (**Hebrews 8:7**), Jesus foretold that He would take the kingdom of Heaven from them and give it to a new nation:

Matthew 21:43

“Therefore say I unto you, **The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.**”

So what did this mean and what does it look like?

1. The unbelieving Jews were cast out of God’s house - **Romans 11:17**
2. The borders of Israel were removed, & the kingdom spread (spiritually) into the whole earth (awaiting the physical kingdom, after the physical resurrection) - **1 Peter 2:9 + Ephesians 2:12-14**
3. The new nation is bringing forth the fruits God wants - **Luke 18:8 + Mark 16:15**
4. All promises of God are kept through Jesus Christ & the coming millennial kingdom, as well as the righteous remnant of believing Jews, like Paul, Peter and such... - **Romans 11 + Galatians 3**
5. The Christians in all the world today are a continuation of God’s house of Israel, but by the new, foretold name - **1 Corinthians 10:1-4 + Ephesians 2:20**. God is not, was not and never will be done with Israel - **Jeremiah 31:35-37!**
6. We will continue to bring forth fruit for God until the end of the world when a great time of trouble will befall mankind, ushering in the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ and the physical kingdom - **2 Peter 3:9 + 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3**.

1 Corinthians 10:11

“Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, **upon whom the ends of the world are come.**”

So what does this mean for ‘Jewish’ people today? As I write this, there are millions of people who claim to be physical descendants of Abraham, Isaac & Jacob & even live in a country in the same location, created by human governments in 1948, and claim to be God’s chosen people:

Romans 2:28-29

“For **he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly**; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh:
But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision *is that* of the heart, in the spirit, *and not in the letter*; whose praise *is not of men, but of God.*”

As we have already established through our study thus far, only through faith in Christ can somebody become a child of God & join His house / Kingdom - **Romans 2:11 + Mark 1:15**.

People who outwardly identify as ‘Jews’ today are spiritual transvestites. Just because they call themselves God’s chosen people does not make them so (**Romans 10:12 + Galatians 3:28**). They do not trust in the Son of God, the seed we have been studying:

1 John 2:23

“**Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father:** (but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.”

So who do these people follow and worship in their religion? Well, you may have noticed that these people observe literally nothing of the old covenant (**John 5:46**). Have you noticed the nation occupying the land today flies a flag with a star on it? This is not a new thing, but is a clue:

Amos 5:26

“But ye have borne the tabernacle of your Moloch and Chiun your images, **the star of your god**, which ye made to yourselves.”

Acts 7:43

“Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, figures which ye made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon.”

When the Israelites in the old covenant backslid and worshipped false gods, they used the symbol of a star, just like today. They are worshipping demons - **1 Corinthians 10:20**.

Revelation 2:9

“I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.”

Revelation 3:9

“Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.”

So it is very clear from scripture that just because somebody says they are a ‘Jew’ does not make it true, rather the Bible calls them liars:

1 John 2:22

“Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.”

Anybody, Jew or Gentile, bond or free, man or woman, no matter who you are you must call upon the Lord in faith to be saved and added to His kingdom. Nobody is born into it because of their DNA, that is absurd and would make God a respecter of persons. No, rather Jewish people today, just like everybody else, need to humble themselves before the Lord and place their trust in Him as their saviour (**Romans 10**)!

The religion of the so called ‘Jews’ today is Antichrist, and they work against the children of God, just like Cain did against Abel (**Matthew 23:35**). But they can still be taught the truth and persuaded to repent:

Romans 11:28

“As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes.”

They are still beloved by God for the sake of their ancestors. What does this mean? - **John 3:16** they can still receive Christ:

John 1:12

“But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:”

So why are these people pretending to be God’s chosen people? Because they are unbelievers, they fall prey to the will of Satan & the spirit of Antichrist (**1 John 4:3**). It is Satan that wants to be like the most High God (**Isaiah 14:14**), and he copies God. So he has made himself a false version of God’s elect, and he wants to steal the inheritance:

Matthew 21:38

“But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, **This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance.**”

Heathen people who reject God and choose sin (selfishness - **2 Peter 3:3, 2 Timothy 3:2 + Matthew 24:12**) are punished by God and caused to be delusional and to believe the lies of the devil (**Revelation 12:9**).

Isaiah 66:4

“I also will choose their **delusions**, and will bring their fears upon them; because when I called, none did answer; when I spake, they did not hear: but they did evil before mine eyes, and chose that in which I delighted not.”

2 Thessalonians 2:11

“And for this cause God shall send them strong **delusion, that they should believe a lie:**”

Conclusion - Preach the Seed!

For those of us who already know, and are known by Jesus Christ, this study should be exciting, fascinating and it is enjoyable to see even more of Christ in the old testament scriptures. But this study should also motivate us to feel for the lost who are deluded & deceived by our enemy. We have the Spirit of God & the Gospel, we have the power to set them free (**John 14:6**).

Romans 10:13

“For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.
How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and **how shall they hear without a preacher?**”

2 Timothy 4:2

“**Preach the word;** be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.”

Luke 8:11

“Now the parable is this: **The seed is the word of God.**”

Luke 8:5

“**A sower went out to sow his seed:** and as he sowed...”

GO PLANT SOME SEEDS