

# Scripture Passages about Israel



Here is a list of verses pertaining to G-d's\* heart for Israel, G-d's calling on Christians toward Israel, G-d's promises to restore the Jewish people physically to the Land and restore them spiritually to Him.

Please feel free to pray through these, use them for personal Bible study, and use them as a reference so that you can effectively share G-d's heart for Israel with others.

May the L-rd bless you richly!

- G-d's unconditional and everlasting promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (Gen. 12:1-3, 7; 13:14-17; 15:1-21; 17:1-8; 22:15-18; 26:3-5; 28:13-15, plus dozens more);
- **▼** G-d says, "Israel is My son, My firstborn," (Ex. 4:22; see also Isa. 49:15-16)
- **▼** Israel is the apple of G-d's eye (Deut. 32:9-10; Zech. 2:8)
- G-d is "zealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with great zeal" (Zech. 2:14; 8:1-3)
- **★** G-d says to Israel, "Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love," (Jer. 31:3) even as they are rebelling against Him, and promises that His covenant with them is as certain as His covenant with the sun, moon, and stars (Jer. 31:35-37; 33:25; Isa. 54:-7-10; 41:8-10; 66:22; Hos. 3:1)
- Even though many of them are enemies of the Gospel, the Jewish people are still beloved of G-d; their gifts, calling, and covenant with G-d are irrevocable (Rom. 9-11, esp. 9:3-5; 11:1, 11-15, 28-29; Rom. 3:1-4; Acts 3:25; Heb. 6:13-20)

#### JEWISH-CHRISTIAN RECONCILIATION

- The primary passage on the relationship between the Church and Israel: Rom. 9-11
- Christians are called to provoke the Jewish people to jealousy (by showing them the love of Yeshua (Jesus) (Rom. 11:11-15; see also Rom. 10:19; 11:31; Deut. 32:21)
- Christians have been grafted into a Jewish olive tree (Rom. 11:17-20; see Eph. 2:11-16; Rom. 15:27)
- Do not be ignorant of your calling toward and G-d's purposes for Israel (Rom. 11:25-26)
- **▼** G-d has not rejected His people, Israel, even after most of them rejected Yeshua (Jesus) (Rom. 3:1-4; 9:1-5; 11:1, 28-29)
- The need to repent and reconcile: Matt. 5:23-24; Isa. 57:14

### THE JEWISH PEOPLE'S RETURN TO ISRAEL AND THEIR SALVATION

- "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to G-d for Israel is that they may be saved" (Rom. 10:1).
- **▼** Paul wished that he could be accursed so that the Jewish people could be saved (Rom. 9:1-5)!
- G-d repeatedly promises that He will bring revival to Israel:
  - \* "In the L-rd, all the descendents of Israel shall be justified and shall glory" (Isa. 45:25)
  - \* "But Israel shall be saved by the L-rd with an everlasting salvation..." (Isa. 45:17a)
- He promised to gather the Jewish people back to Israel (Aliyah) and then pour out His spirit upon them:
  - Ezekiel 11:17-20; 20:23-44; 34:13-31; **36:16-28**; 37:1-28; 38-39 (esp. v. 38:23; 39:7, 22, 25-29);
  - **I** Isaiah 4:3-5; **11:11-12:6**; 27:6, 9; 35, (esp. v. 5); 43:5-8, 21, 25;
  - Feremiah 3:14-15; 23:3-6; 24:6-7; **32:37-41**; 33:6-9; 50:19-20;
  - Zechariah 8:7-8; 12:10-13:9; Joel 3 (esp. vv. 1-2, 14-17, 20-21); Hosea 3:4-5; 8:10; 14:4-8
- **♦** Other passages on revival in Israel: Isa. 10:20; 27:12-13; 29:22-24; 30:19-26; 31:4-6; 32:14-18; **44:1-5**, 21-23; 52:6-9; 59:20-21; **61:4-9**; 62:1-5; Jer. 30:3-9; 31:3-14; Hos. 1:10-11; **2:14-23**; Zech. 10:8-12; Micah 7:12-20; Zeph. 3:10-13; **Rom. 11:25-26**; **Rev. 7:3-8**

#### POLITICAL PEACE AND JEWISH-ARAB RECONCILIATION

- \* "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; those who love you will prosper" (Ps. 122:6)
- **☀** Israel, Egypt, and Assyria will all know G-d and be reconciled (Isa. 19:19-24)
- \* G-d has promised political peace and prosperity for Israel and Jerusalem, as well as revival (Ezek. 28:25-26; 34:13-16; 36:8-15, 29-30, 33-38; Jer. 3:14-16; 23:3-4; 24:6-7; 30:19; 31:4-5, 12-14, 27-28; 32:37-44; 33:6-9, Amos 9:13-15; Isa. 44:26; 60:4-5, 10; 61:4; Hos. 2:14-23; Zech. 1:17; 8:11-13; Zeph. 3:19-20; Ps. 147:12-14)

#### BELIEVERS IN THE LAND

- Pray for unity amongst the believers in the land (John 17:20-23)
- Pray for those being persecuted (Matt. 5:10-12)
- Through Yeshua, Jew and Gentile are united as one new man (Eph. 2:11-16)

## CHRISTIANS' CALLING TOWARD JEWISH PEOPLE

- To provoke the Jewish people to jealousy (Rom. 11:11-15; see also Rom. 10:19; 11:31; Deut. 32:21);
- To identify with the Jewish roots of our faith and with the Jewish people (Rom. 11, esp. vv. 16-24; Eph. 2:11-12);
- To make the Jewish people a priority as we share the Gospel (Rom. 1:16, 9:1-5, 11:11-15); see Paul's example in Acts, always going to the synagogues first (Acts 13:5, 14; 14:1; 17:2, 10, 17; 18:4, 19; 19:8);
- To earnestly pray for the Jewish people's salvation and for the peace of Jerusalem (Ps. 122:6; Isa. 62:1-7; Rom. 9:1-5; 10:1);
- \* To love the Jewish people unconditionally, just as G-d loves them (Jer. 31:3, 20; Zech. 1:14-21; Isa. 49:15-16; 54:7-10; Hos. 3:1; Mal. 1:1-5; Matt. 22:39-40; 1 John 4:7-8, 11);
- To repent for a past of hatred and anti-Semitism and seek reconciliation with the Jewish people (Matt. 5:23-24; Isa. 57:14);
- **To bless the Jewish people (Gen. 12:3; 27:29; Num. 24:9; Rom. 15:27);**
- To comfort the Jewish people (Isa. 40:1-2);
- To praise G-d for bringing the Jewish people home to Israel, and to proclaim what He has done to others (Jer. 31:7-11; Ezek. 36:22-23; 28:25-26; 37:24-28; 39:21-29, etc. (see below))
- To participate in the Jewish people's restoration to their land (Isa. 14:1-2; 43:5-6; 49:22; 60:5, 10-11)
- To support the Jewish people (especially Messianic Jews) financially (Rom. 15:26-27, Gal. 6:10).

## WORLD REVIVAL AS A RESULT OF JEWISH FAITH IN YESHUA

- ▼ Israel's acceptance of the Gospel will bring greater riches to the Gentiles and will be as "life from the dead" (Rom. 11:11-15)
- Yeshua will not return until Jews in Jerusalem welcome Him (Matt. 23:37-39)
- G-d promises that the nations of the world shall know that He is G-d when the Jewish people return to Israel and follow their G-d (Ezek. 36:16-38, esp. vv. 23, 36, 38; 28:25-26; 20:41-42; 37:24-28; 39:21-29; Zech. 8:20-23)
- \* All nations shall stream to Jerusalem to worship there shall be peace forever (Isa. 2:2-5; Mic. 4:2-5; Zech. 14:16-21)

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<sup>\*</sup> In both the Jewish and Christian traditions, the name of G-d is treated with honor and respect. In the Jewish tradition, in order to show respect, the name of the L-rd is written without a vowel. The idea is that if a document with His name on it is destroyed or deleted, His name will be spared because it was not written out fully.