

**END-TIME**  
**SURVIVOR**



**Omega programme** Module 4  
**chosen people – promised land**

# END-TIME SURVIVOR omega programme



solid food is for the  
mature, who  
because of  
practice have their  
senses trained  
to discern good  
and evil

# module overview



study to show yourself  
approved to God

*2 Tim 2.15a*

geography  
& politics

origins  
& history

who is  
Israel ?

promised  
land ?

return to  
Zion

Jerusalem

Israel &  
the church

anti-Semitism  
/ Media

- a primer
- part briefing
- part Bible study
- practical response
- over to you...

deal with the long-term  
future of Israel later...

**Mod 7**

Thy Kingdom  
come (I)

**Mod 8**

Thy Kingdom  
come (II)

# UK Public opinion

“Britons feel more “unfavorable” towards Israel than any other country worldwide except North Korea”

Royal Institute of International Affairs  
August 2014

“a massive surge in negative attitudes toward Israel since the previous such study, two years earlier”.

**35% Britons** said they “feel especially unfavorable towards” Israel in the 2014 survey, compared to 17% in 2012’.

# Israel – Geopolitical view



**Arab League** 5,250,000 sq miles  
**Israel** 8367 sq miles (0.15%)

22 Arab States - 1 Jewish State

300M Arabs

6M Jews in Israel

6M Jews RoW

0.23% of world's population

8% size of Britain

Same size as Yorkshire + Lancashire  
+ Orkney Islands

the neighbourhood...



# ISRAEL

Topographical map of  
Central Mountain Range and  
Northern Galilee Region.





# origin & history

# Israel – simplified timeline

c2000BC	Patriarchs	Abraham / Isaac / Jacob
c1500BC	Exodus / Conquest	Moses / Joshua
c1000BC	Kingdom	David / Solomon
722BC	10 Tribes Exile to Assyria	
586BC	Judean Exile to Babylon	
538BC	Return	Zerubbabel / Ezra / Nehemiah
400BC	'silence'	Ptolemaic, Seleucid / Maccabean
4BC		<b>Jesus</b>
70AD	temple destroyed	Titus / Vespasian
135AD	'Syria Palaestina'	Bar Kochba/Hadrian

## PROPHETS

### Pre-exile

Jonah/Amos/Hosea  
Isaiah/Micah/Nahum  
Habakkuk/Zephaniah

### Pan-exile

Jeremiah  
Daniel  
Joel  
Ezekiel  
Obadiah

### Return

Haggai/Zechariah  
Malachi

## DIASPORA



Egypt

### Successive Gentile kingdoms

Assyria

Babylon

Medo-Persia

Greece

Rome



# who/what is Israel ?

a people?  
a nation?  
a place?  
a political entity?  
the Jewish people?  
Israeli Arabs?  
the church?!



# who is Israel ? – bloodline & covenants

*'Who is like Your people Israel – the **one nation on the earth** whom God went to redeem for Himself as a people – to make for Yourself a name by great and awesome deeds...'*

1Chron 17

**Egyptian**  
sojourn / exodus

**Babylonian**  
captivity / return

**Diaspora**  
70 / 135AD

**Aliyah / return**  
1880-present

**Abraham**  
**Isaac**  
**Jacob / Israel**

**Abrahamic**  
covenant

to Abraham's 'Seed' thru Isaac  
The Land promised  
'Bless those who bless...  
Curse those who curse'

12 tribes  
Moses

**Mosaic**  
covenant

to the 12 tribes of Israel  
a 'marriage' – 'I will / we will'  
the Law – 613 commandments  
blessing & cursing

David

**Judah**  
(Jews)

**Israel**  
(lost tribes)

**Davidic**  
covenant

a man on the throne of Israel  
through David's line



# whose is the land ?



**UN / UK / US / EU view**  
'occupied territories'

**Psalm 2**



**Palestinian Authority view**  
'complete liberation of Palestine, and eradication of Zionists economic, political, military & cultural existence, and this struggle will not cease unless the Zionist state is demolished and Palestine completely liberated'

Fatah Charter Article 12

**UN condemnations 2006-15:**  
Islamic Jihad: 0  
Hezbollah: 0  
ISIS: 1  
Al Qaeda: 0  
Iran: 4  
Israel: 57

## Bible view – old testament

more than 40 promises over 1500 years

- Abraham
- Isaac
- Israel
- Joseph
- Moses
- Joshua
- David
- Isaiah
- Jeremiah
- Ezekiel
- Amos
- Joel
- Zechariah
- Nehemiah

- Genesis** 12.7, 13.15, 15.7, 15.18,17.8, 26.3-4, 28.3-4,28.13, 35.10-12, 48.3-4, 50.24
- Exodus** 6.4+8, 32.13
- Numbers** 14.8, 33.53
- Deuteronomy** 3.18, 4.22, 9.4-6
- Joshua** 1.11, 11.23, 21.43
- 1Chronicles** 16.15-19, 17.9, 17.21-22, 23.25
- 2Chronicles** 20.7
- Nehemiah** 9.8
- Psalm 105**.7-12
- Isaiah** 14.1-2, 60.21
- Jeremiah** 3.18, 16.15, 23.8, 30.3, 32.21-22
- Ezekiel** 11.17, 20.42, 28.25, 37.12, 37.21-22, 47.14
- Joel** 3.2
- Amos** 9.14-15
- Zechariah** 10.9-10



# chosen people, promised land

Abrahamic  
covenant

**Abraham** *'I will give to you and to **your descendants after you**, the land of your sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for **an everlasting possession**; and I will be their God'*

**Isaac** *'Sojourn in this land and I will be with you and bless you, for **to you and to your descendants** I will give all these lands, and I will establish the oath which I swore to your father Abraham. I will multiply your descendants as the stars of heaven, and **will give your descendants all these lands**'*

**Jacob** *'Behold, I will make you fruitful and numerous, and I will make you a company of peoples, and will give this land **to your descendants after you for an everlasting possession**'*

# chosen people, promised land

Abrahamic  
covenant

*'He is the LORD our God. His judgments are in all the earth.*

*He has remembered His **covenant** forever,*

*the word which **He commanded** to a thousand  
generations,*

*the **covenant** which He made with Abraham,*

*And His **oath** to Isaac.*

*Then He confirmed it to Jacob for a **statute**,*

*To Israel as an everlasting **covenant**,  
saying,*

*"To you I will give the land of Canaan  
As the portion of your inheritance,"*

*when they were only a few men in number,  
very few, and strangers in it'*

**we insult  
God if we  
don't take  
Him at His  
word**

# 'Palestine'

'*Syria Palaestina*' – name created by Hadrian 135AD to humiliate the Jews & obliterate Judea



**there has never been a country called Palestine...**

- no 'sovereign' land – only individuals
- no capital
- no currency
- no government
- no unique indigenous people
- under Ottoman / Turkish rule until 1917
- under British rule 1917-48
- no political 'Palestinian people' pre 1967

*'The name 'Palestine' is not a country but was considered a geographic region'*

BRITISH REPORT TO LEAGUE OF NATIONS  
1938

it included:

- NE Egypt
- Trans-Jordan
- Southern Syria
- Lebanon
- 'Judea'/Israel

**The British Mandate begins...**

Allenby enters Jerusalem  
1917





# the return begins



Jerusalem pre WW1

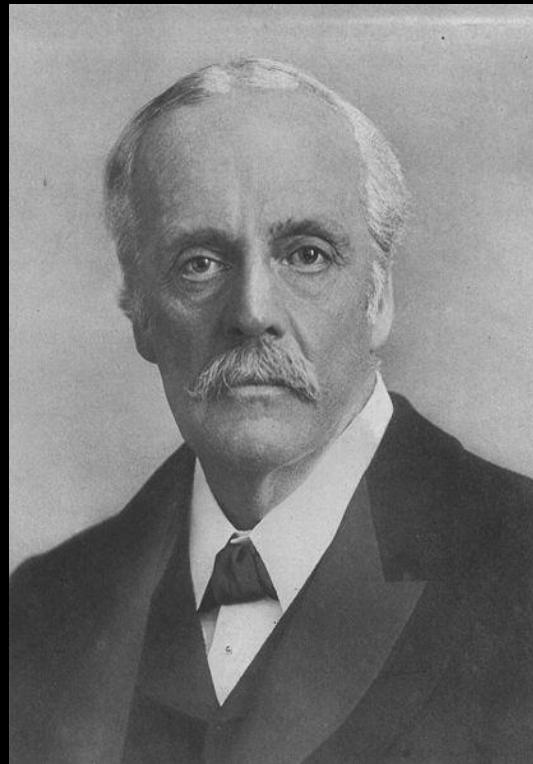
# aliyah – 1882-1939

1897 Herzl  
1883 Krakatoa  
1820-79 False christs

**Mod 1**  
the spine of  
prophecy

- 1<sup>st</sup> Aliyah 1882-1903
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Aliyah 1904-14
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Aliyah 1919-23
- 4<sup>th</sup> Aliyah 1924-29
- 5<sup>th</sup> Aliyah 1929-39

**Russian pogroms**



Foreign Office,  
November 2nd, 1917.

Dear Lord Rothschild,

I have much pleasure in conveying to you, on behalf of His Majesty's Government, the following declaration of sympathy with Jewish Zionist aspirations which has been submitted to, and approved by, the Cabinet

'His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavours to facilitate the achievement of this object, it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine, or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country.'

I should be grateful if you would bring this declaration to the knowledge of the Zionist Federation.

*Arthur Balfour*

*'What you have in your mind shall never be, when you say, 'We will be like the Gentiles, like the families in other countries... I will bring you out from the peoples and gather you out of the countries where you are scattered, with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm, and with fury poured out. And I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples, and there I will plead My case with you face to face' Ezekiel 20*

## The McDonald White Paper 1939

- ensure permanent Arab majority
- permanent Jewish minority
- limited Jewish immigration to 75,000 over next 5 years
- Palestine then to 'self-govern'

*'If we must offend one side, let us offend the Jews rather than the Arabs'*

Neville Chamberlain  
20<sup>th</sup> April 1939

**British & Arab  
opposition**

# aliyah – rebirth of Israel 1946-48



*'Shall the earth be made to give birth in one day? Or shall a nation be born at once? For as soon as Zion was in labour, she gave birth to her children'*

Isaiah 66



**May 14<sup>th</sup> 1948**



*'the coming into being of the Jewish State in Palestine is an event in world history to be viewed in the perspective, not of a generation or a century, but in the perspective of a thousand, two thousand, or even three thousand years'*

# Britain and Israel

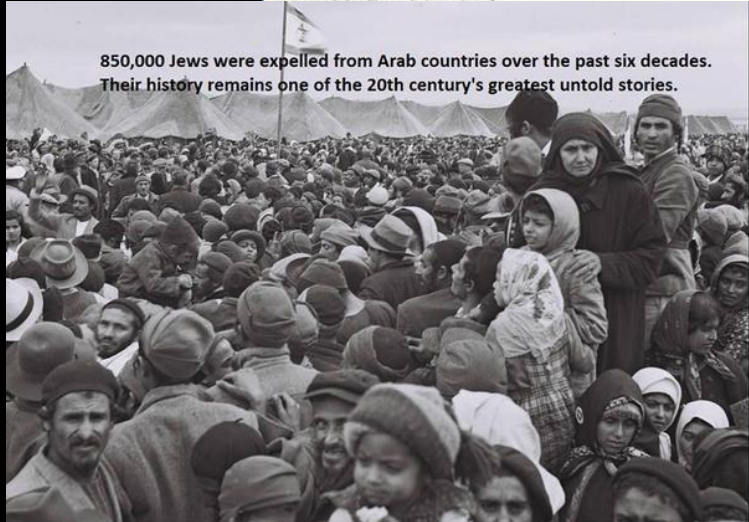


No world power has had so great an opportunity to influence Israel, yet done so much to oppose it, than Britain.

## Britain:

- broke its promise to honour the Balfour Declaration
- severely restricted Jewish immigration into Palestine before, during & after the Holocaust
- abstained from UN vote 1947
- armed, trained & led Arab Legion which attacked Israel 1948
- delayed 9 months before recognising Israel
- has consistently preferred the Arab position over the Jewish
- has consistently sought the creation of a Palestinian State and division of Jerusalem
- British Media (esp **BBC**) have systematically misrepresented Israel

# aliyah – 1948 - present



*'Fear not, for I am with you. I will bring your descendants from the east, and gather you from the west. I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not keep them back!' Bring My sons from afar, and My daughters from the ends of the earth - Everyone who is called by My name, whom I have created for My glory'*

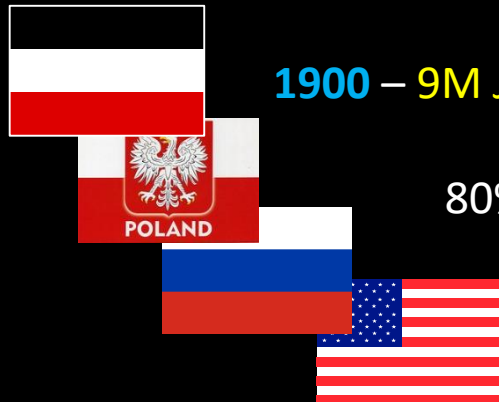
# the diaspora – fishermen & hunters



2012 – 13.8M Jews worldwide  
45% in Israel

1970 – 12.6M Jews worldwide  
20% in Israel  
43% USA  
16% USSR

1900 – 9M Jews worldwide  
0.5% in Israel  
80% Russia/Europe  
13% USA



*Behold, I am going to send for many **fishermen**, declares the LORD, and they will fish for them, and afterwards I will send for many **hunters**, and they will hunt them from every mountain and every hill and from the clefts of the rocks.*



# 5 min backgrounder video intro to Israel / conflict



The Israeli-Palestinian conflict

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8EDW88CBo-8>

# UN Resolution 181 The Palestine Partition Plan

The Partition  
Resolution  
29<sup>th</sup> November 1947



CHWENING Harry Truman

UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY November 29, 1947.  
VOTING SHEET

Country	Yes	No	Abstain	Country	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
AFGHANISTAN			X	LEBANON			X	
ARGENTINA			X	LIBERIA		/		
AUSTRALIA		/		LUXEMBOURG		/		
BELGIUM		/		MEXICO				X
BOLIVIA		/		NETHERLANDS		/		
BRAZIL		/		NEW ZEALAND		/		
BYELORUSSIAN S.R.		/		NICARAGUA		/		
CANADA		/		NORWAY		/		
CHINA			X	PAKISTAN				X
COLOMBIA			X	PANAMA		/		
COSTA RICA		/		PARAGUAY		/		
CUBA			X	PERU		/		
CZECHOSLOVAKIA		/		PHILIPPINES		/		
DENMARK		/		POLAND		/		
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC		/		SAUDI ARABIA				X
Ecuador		/		SIAM				X
EGYPT			X	SWITZERLAND		/		
EL SALVADOR			X	SYRIA				X
ETHIOPIA			X	TURKEY				X
FRANCE		/		UKRAINIAN S.R.		/		
GERMANY			X	UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA		/		
GUATEMALA		/		UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS		/		
HAI TI		/		UNITED KINGDOM				X
HONDURAS			X	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		/		
ICELAND		/		URUGUAY		/		
INDIA			X	VENEZUELA		/		
IRAN			X	YEMEN				X
IRAQ			X	YUGOSLAVIA				X

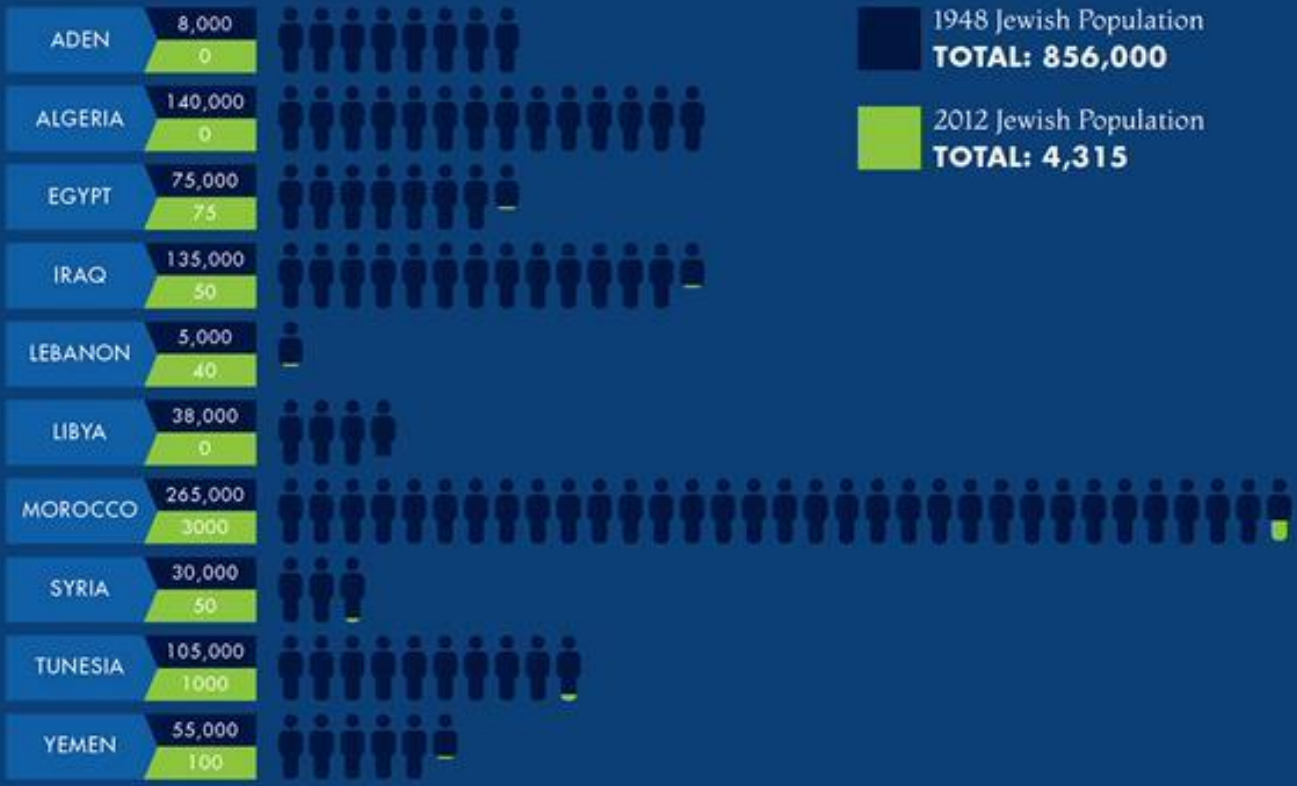
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— PALESTINE PARTITION PLAN —

*Handwritten notes on the left:*  
 Prop. for...  
 James M. Brown

*Handwritten notes on the right:*  
 Harry Truman  
 James M. Brown  
 E. Kaplay  
 Arthur H. Hays Sulzberger  
 John F. Kennedy  
 Stephen A. Mitchell



# DISPLACEMENT OF JEWS FROM ARAB COUNTRIES



# wars & terror – 1948-present

## WAR

war of independence

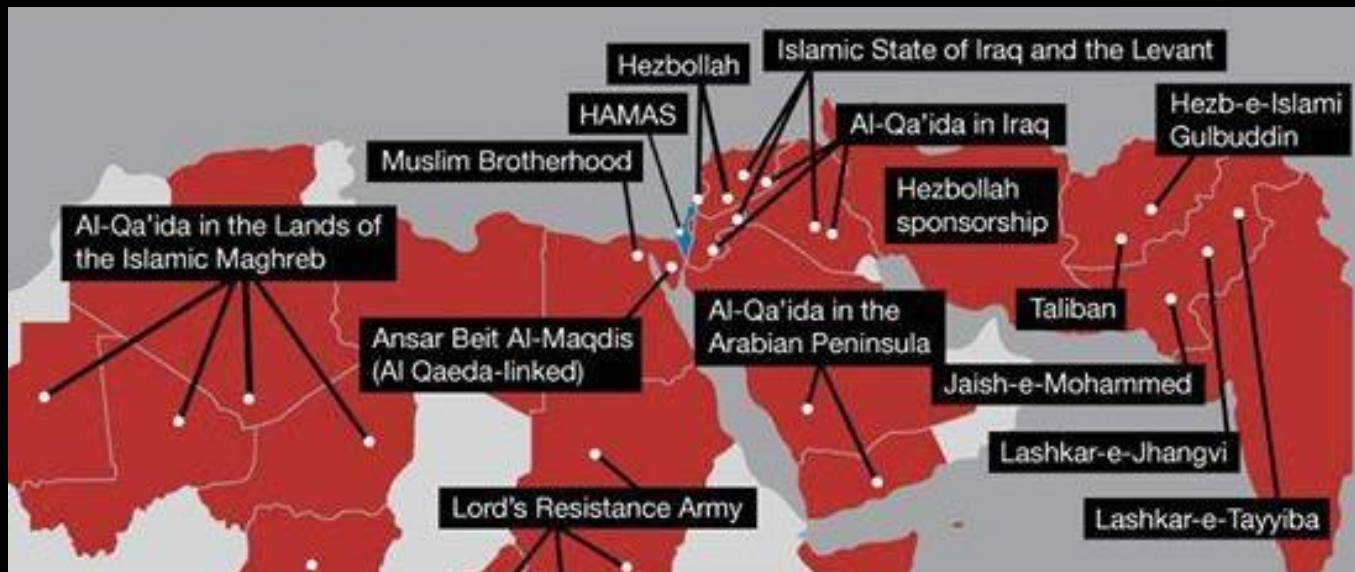
Suez

6 day war

Yom Kippur war

Lebanese war

Gazan wars



## TERRORISM

Intifada

suicide bombings

murders

# Jerusalem



# Jerusalem

mentioned over 750x in the Bible  
 conquered over 30x ([Jer 22.8-9](#))  
 location of 2 Jewish temples  
 never mentioned in the Koran  
 never been a Palestinian capital city  
 always had Jewish presence (exc 135AD)

## a city dear to Jesus

'Oh Jerusalem...'  
 'if I forget thee oh Jerusalem...'  
 where Jesus will return

## modern timeline:

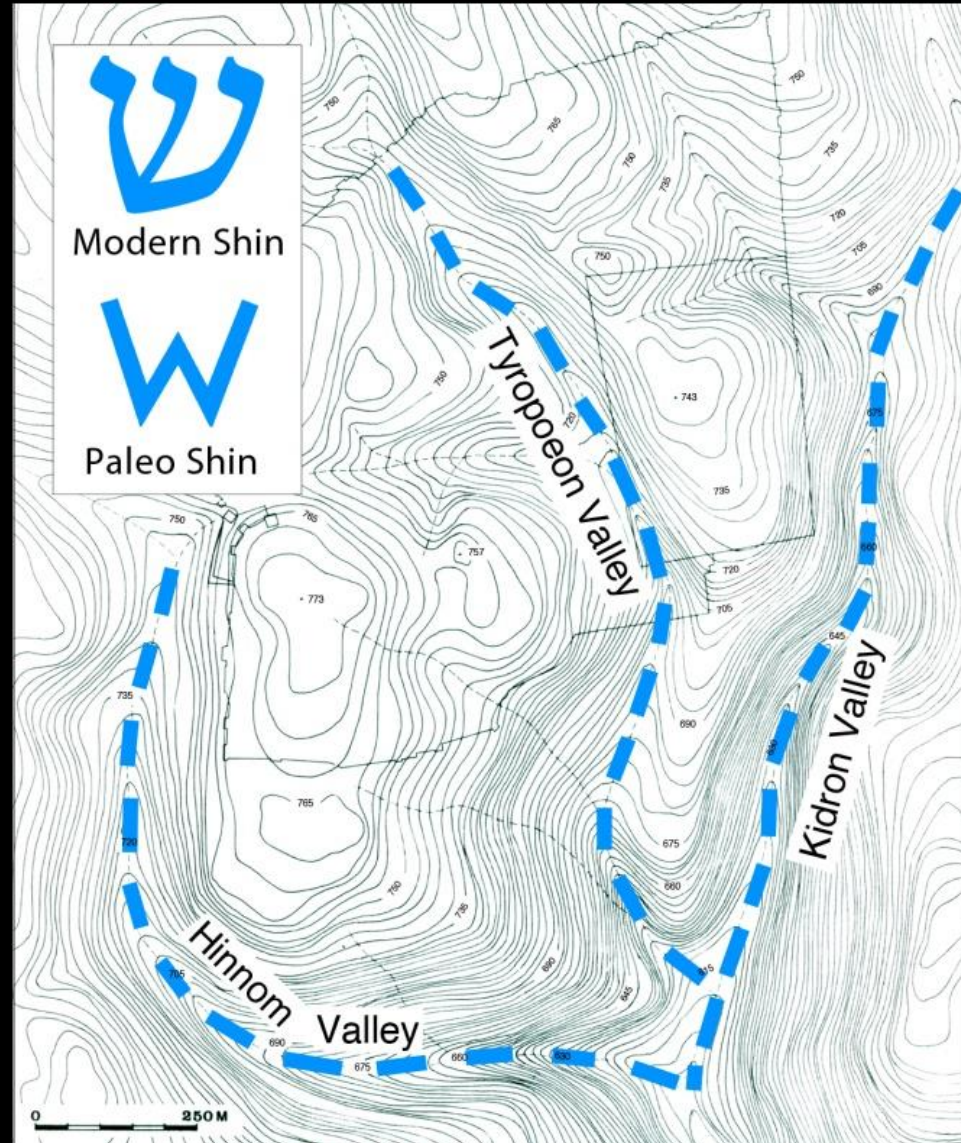
**1517-1917** decrepit Ottoman 'village'  
**1695** pop'n 5000 mainly Jewish / Christian  
**1854** Jews are largest religious group  
**1917** centre of British Mandate admin  
**1948** divided by Jordanian invasion  
**1967** reunited after 6 day war  
 not recognised as Israel's capital by UN, UK, US, EU



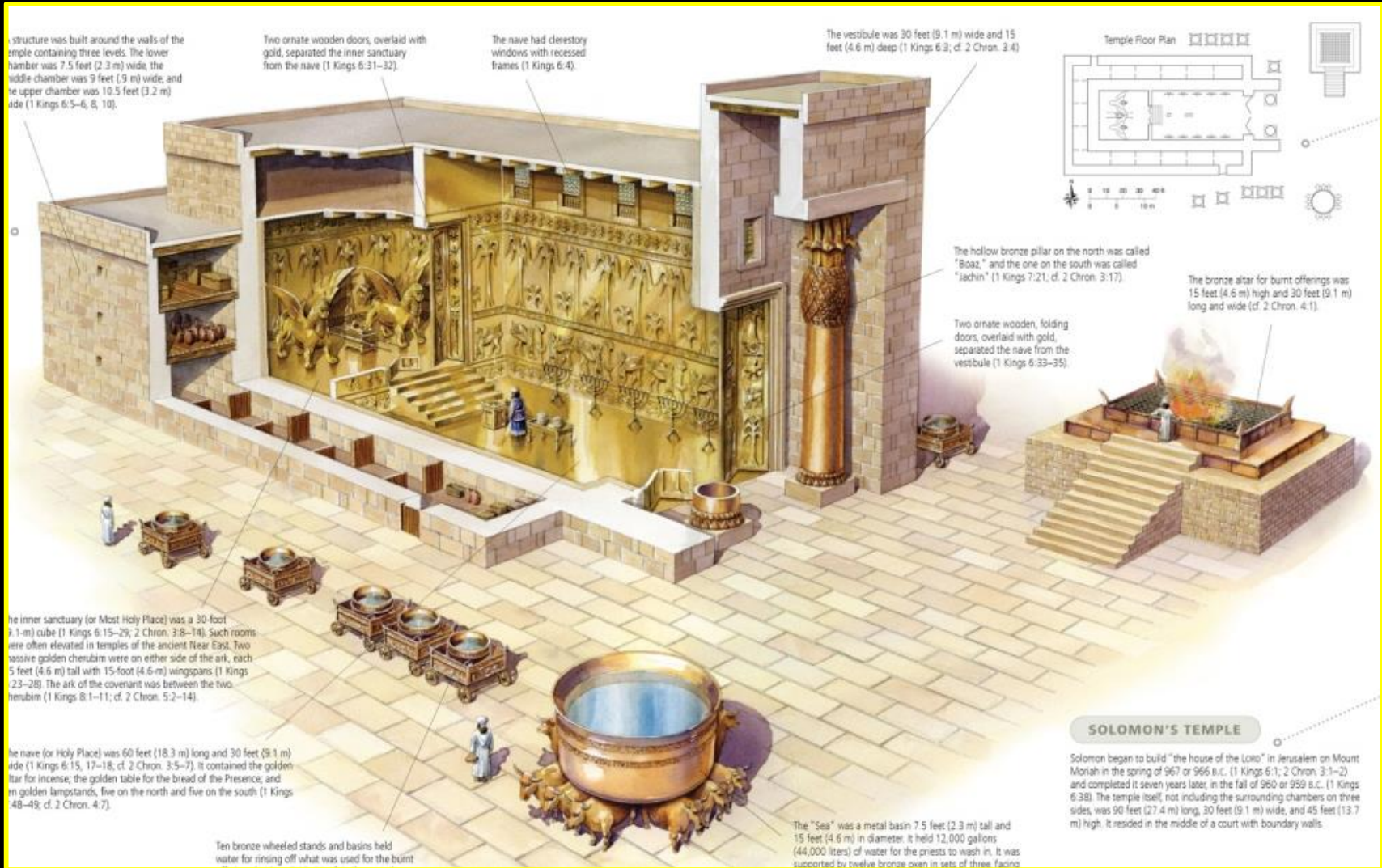
Jerusalem has never prospered under Gentile rule  
 but has always flourished under Jewish rule

# Jerusalem – where God has placed His name

1Kings 11.36  
2Chron 6.6+20, 12.13, 33.4+7  
Ps 132.14  
Jer 25.29



# Solomon's temple

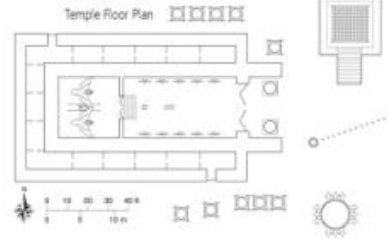


The structure was built around the walls of the temple containing three levels. The lower chamber was 7.5 feet (2.3 m) wide, the middle chamber was 9 feet (2.7 m) wide, and the upper chamber was 10.5 feet (3.2 m) wide (1 Kings 6:5-6, 8, 10).

Two ornate wooden doors, overlaid with gold, separated the inner sanctuary from the nave (1 Kings 6:31-32).

The nave had clerestory windows with recessed frames (1 Kings 6:4).

The vestibule was 30 feet (9.1 m) wide and 15 feet (4.6 m) deep (1 Kings 6:3; cf. 2 Chron. 3:4).



The hollow bronze pillar on the north was called "Boaz," and the one on the south was called "Jachin" (1 Kings 7:21; cf. 2 Chron. 3:17).

Two ornate wooden, folding doors, overlaid with gold, separated the nave from the vestibule (1 Kings 6:33-35).

The bronze altar for burnt offerings was 15 feet (4.6 m) high and 30 feet (9.1 m) long and wide (cf. 2 Chron. 4:1).

The inner sanctuary (or Most Holy Place) was a 30-foot (9.1-m) cube (1 Kings 6:15-29; 2 Chron. 3:6-14). Such rooms are often elevated in temples of the ancient Near East. Two massive golden cherubim were on either side of the ark, each 5 feet (1.5 m) tall with 15-foot (4.6-m) wingspans (1 Kings 23-28). The ark of the covenant was between the two cherubim (1 Kings 8:1-11; cf. 2 Chron. 5:2-14).

The nave (or Holy Place) was 60 feet (18.3 m) long and 30 feet (9.1 m) wide (1 Kings 6:15, 17-18; cf. 2 Chron. 3:5-7). It contained the golden table for incense; the golden table for the bread of the Presence; and seven golden lampstands, five on the north and five on the south (1 Kings 4:8-14; cf. 2 Chron. 4:7).

Ten bronze wheeled stands and basins held water for rinsing off what was used for the burnt

The "Sea" was a metal basin 7.5 feet (2.3 m) tall and 15 feet (4.6 m) in diameter. It held 12,000 gallons (44,000 liters) of water for the priests to wash in. It was supported by twelve bronze oxen in sets of three facing

## SOLOMON'S TEMPLE

Solomon began to build "the house of the Lord" in Jerusalem on Mount Moriah in the spring of 967 or 966 B.C. (1 Kings 6:1; 2 Chron. 3:1-2) and completed it seven years later, in the fall of 960 or 959 B.C. (1 Kings 6:38). The temple itself, not including the surrounding chambers on three sides, was 90 feet (27.4 m) long, 30 feet (9.1 m) wide, and 45 feet (13.7 m) high. It resided in the middle of a court with boundary walls.



# Herod's temple



*'No foreigner may enter within the balustrade around the sanctuary and the enclosure. Whoever is caught, on himself shall he put blame for the death which will ensue'*



*'Hezekiah, son of Ahaz, King of Judah'*

overwhelming archaeological & historical proofs (denied, ignored & questioned)

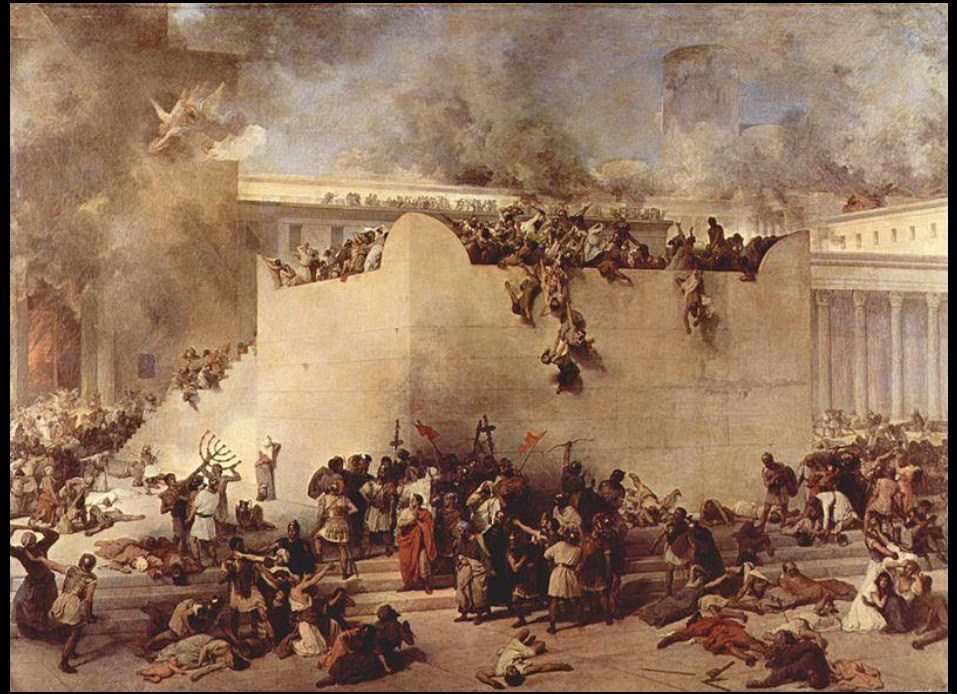
# Herod's temple - destroyed

*'the days will come upon you when your enemies will throw up a barricade against you, and surround you and hem you in on every side, and they will level you to the ground and your children within you, and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not recognize the time of your visitation'*

Luke 19.43-44

40 years later...

AD70 - Titus



# 'Hadrian's curse'...



brilliant organiser  
poetry, music & architecture  
restless traveller  
homosexual  
violent fits of rage  
photographic memory  
studied Antiochus Epiphanes

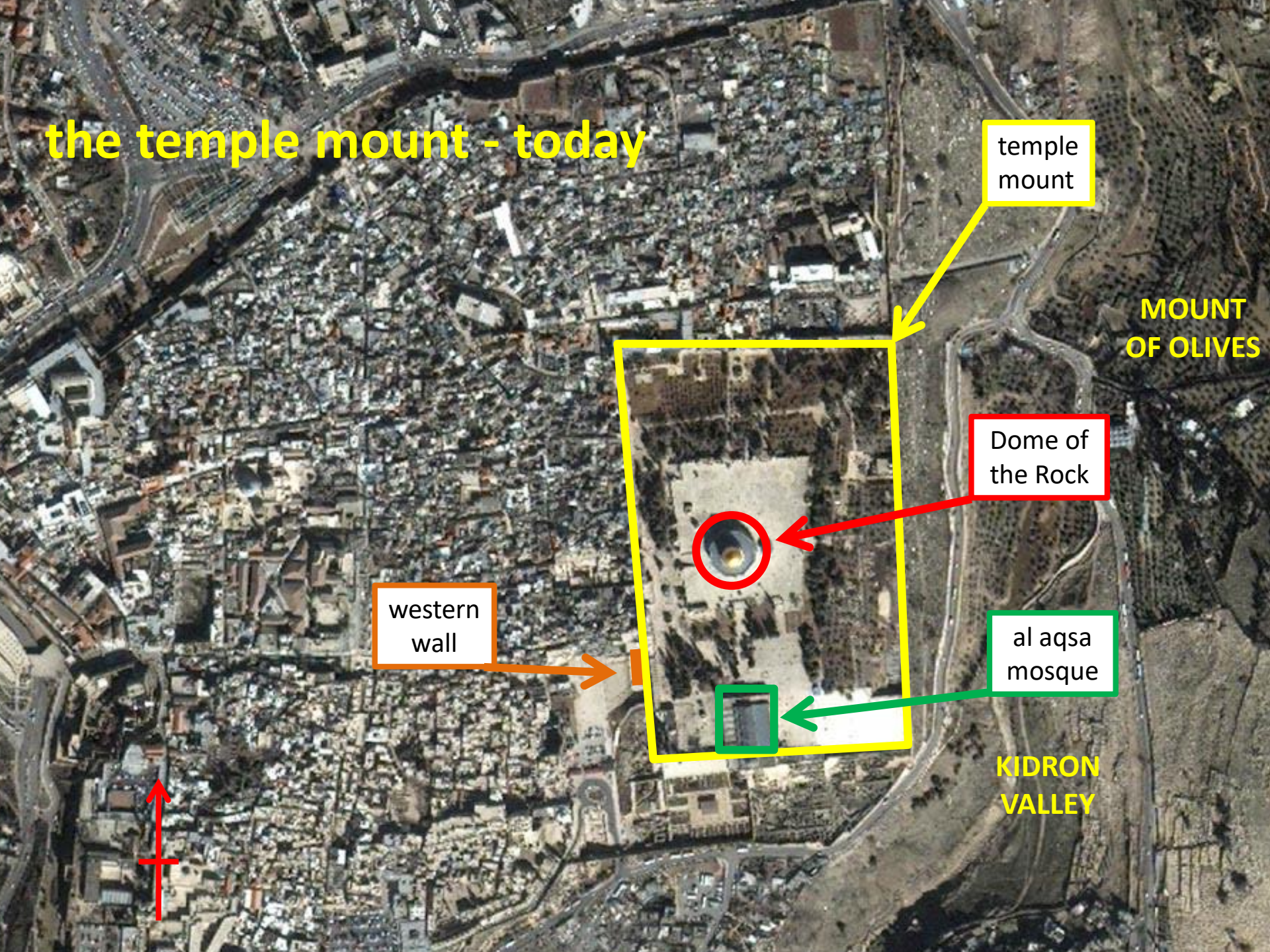
## AD130

Circumcision banned  
renamed Jerusalem - '**Aelia Capitolina**'  
Temple of Jupiter on Temple Mount  
'Jewish tax' to fund Roman temples

## 132-135AD - Bar Kochba revolt

985 villages razed / 585,000 killed / slavery  
Jews banned from Aelia Capitolina  
whole Jewish religious system destroyed  
Judea erased - '**Syria Palaestina**' ('Philistine')  
Jews oppressed by Rome until cAD400

# the temple mount - today



temple mount

MOUNT OF OLIVES

Dome of the Rock

western wall

al aqsa mosque

KIDRON VALLEY



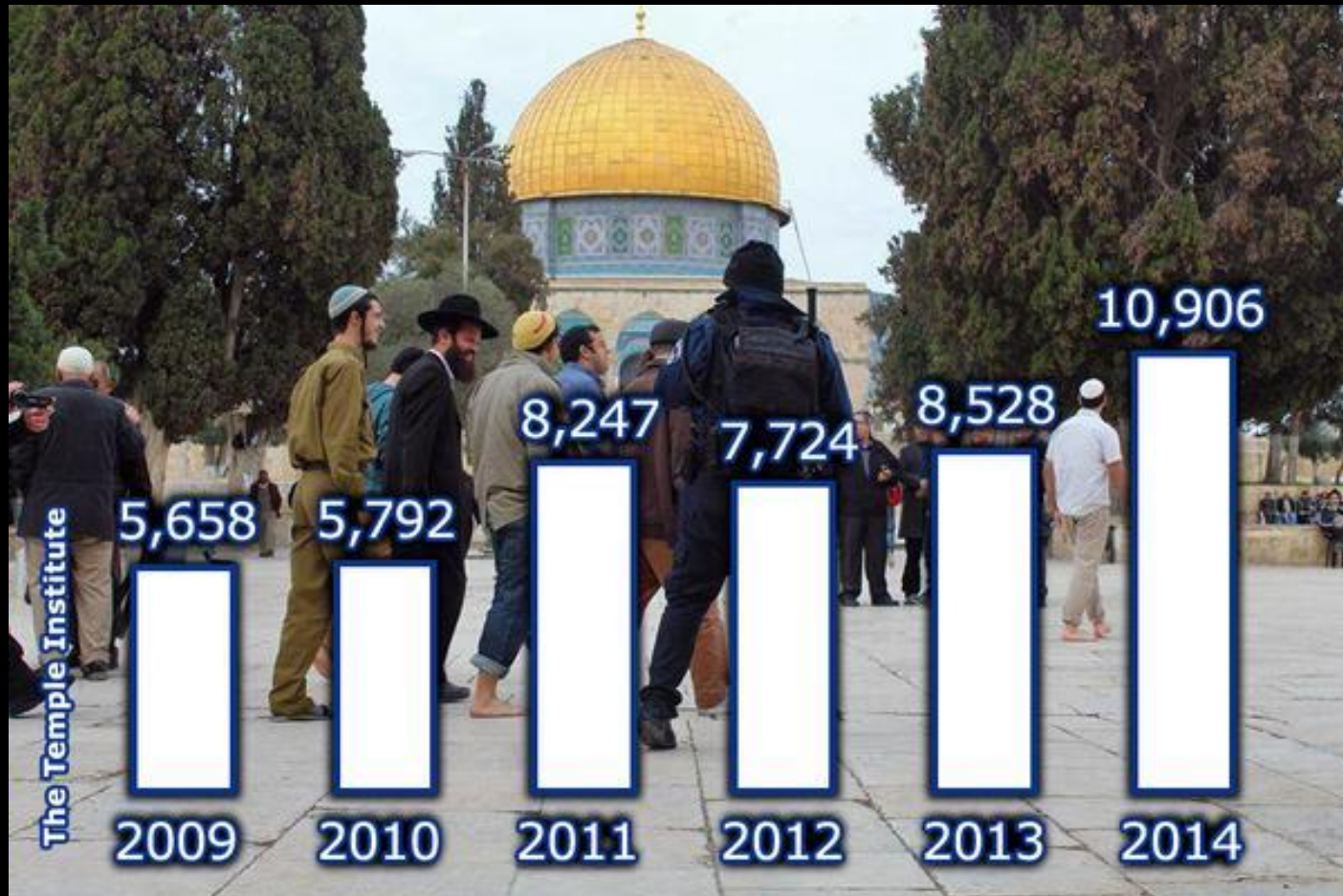
# temple mount today...



# western wall



# Jewish interest in the Temple Mount today..



# Israel & the church



# 2 peoples

## one Olive tree – one Church – one Israel

(read Romans 11.17-26)

Israel is the 'natural' olive tree

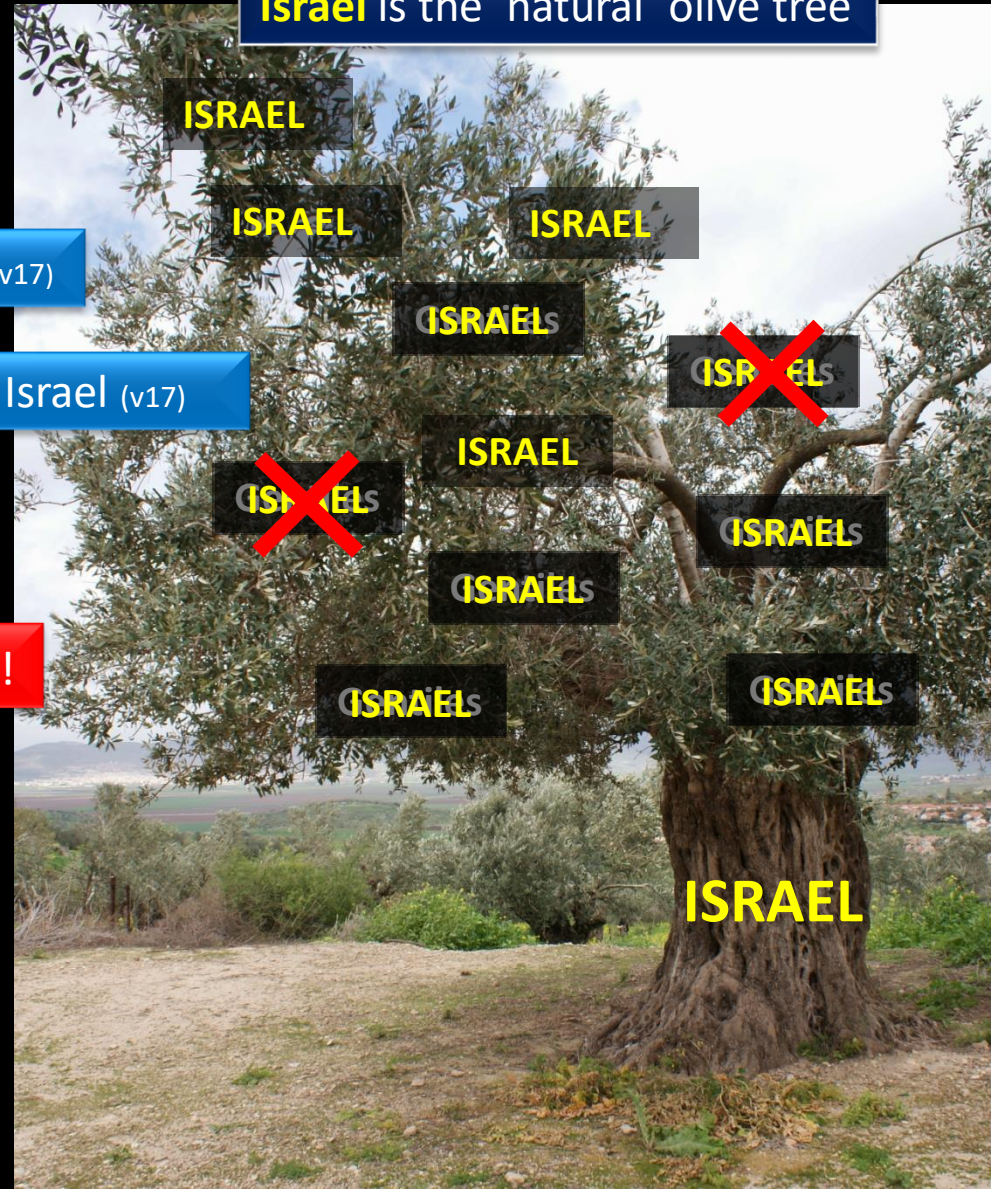
STEP #1: some Jewish branches 'broken off' (v17)

STEP #2: Gentiles 'wild olive' are grafted into Israel (v17)

STEP #3: Israel then grafted back in (v23-24)

**WARNING** (v21-22) – we also may be cut off !

- both a **chosen** people (Deut 7.6-11 / John 15.16)
- neither are perfect – '**work in progress**'
- both can be '**cut off**' (Rom 11.21)
- since the Cross **salvation only** through Christ
- both must live by **faith** (Heb 11)
- both are called by **His Name** (Jer 14.9)
- both factor in God's **end-time** plan



# Israel in the new testament

## 77+ NT mentions

every instance describes *Israel* **not** the church

### Physical restoration

*'wrath to this people (Israel) **until** the times of the gentiles fulfilled'* Luke 21

### 'Pray your flight is not on the Sabbath'

could only apply with Israel in possession of its land – i.e. post 1948 Matt 24.20

### Spiritual restoration

'a temporary 'time-out' but only to allow full no. of gentile Christians to come in. *'blindness in part **until** full number of gentiles saved'* Romans 9-11

### Kingdom restoration

*'**when** will the kingdom be restored?'* Acts 1

*'He will reign over the house of Jacob **forever**'* Luke 1.36

### Abrahamic Covenant (inc land) is still operative

*'to whom (Israel) pertain the ... covenants'* Rom 9.4

*'He promised to give (the Land) to (Abraham) for a possession, and to **his descendants after him**'* Acts 7.5

*'I say then, God has not rejected His people, has He?*

***May it never be!***

*Paul the Apostle*

# chronological perspective



# replacement theology - 'doctrine of Balaam'

Rev 2.14

no single scripture that explicitly states Israel is replaced

## Definition

- 'Israel has had its chance' – now lost because of unfaithfulness
- the church has '*replaced Israel in the purposes of God*' and is the '*new Israel*'
- '*all the blessings that belonged to Israel now belong to the church*'
- (the curses still apply to Israel!)
- Israel has '*no more / no less*' significance than any other nation

## Origins

- Justin Martyr 150AD / Iranaeus / Origen / Augustine
- dominant church view since 400AD

who has been more unfaithful – Israel or the Church ?

## The Bible

- 'Israel' should be interpreted 'allegorically'
- 'Israel' = 'church'
- references to Israel must be 'spiritual'
- editorial sub-headings 'blessings on the church'

example ? 'dry bones'

can an 'anti-Israel' Christian lose their salvation ?

**Predominant view** of British/US churches sees Israel as a land thief & oppressor of Palestinian people

no... but will be under a curse  
Gen 12.3

# Apostles never used 'Israel' as a *synonym* for church – but often as a *type*

## types

objects that symbolise a spiritual or future truth

e.g. Passover Lamb, the Ark, olive tree

## shadows

a copy / outline representing the form of a heavenly object

e.g. the Tabernacle Heb 8.5

## examples

something to compare with for good or bad

e.g. Jesus John 13.15  
Sodom & Gomorrah

Jude 1.7

*'now all these things happened to them (Israel) as examples and they were written for our instruction'*

1Cor 10.11

explains our beginning (pre-Israel)

foretells Christ / prophecy

reveals God's nature ('I change not')

Church hidden – a mystery

# Acts 7 – Stephen rebukes the Jews

*'You stiff-necked and uncircumcised  
in heart and ears!*

***You always resist the Holy Spirit as  
your fathers did, so do you.***

*Which of the prophets did your  
fathers not persecute? And they  
killed those who foretold the  
coming of the Just One, of whom  
you now have become the  
betrayers and murderers, who have  
received the law by the direction of  
angels and have not kept it'*

# the source of 'Jacob's trouble' - the hope of Israel's redemption

## Isaiah 42.24...

**Who ?** *gave Jacob for  
plunder, and Israel to the robbers?  
Was it not the LORD, He against  
whom we have sinned?  
For they would not walk in His  
ways,  
Nor were they obedient to His law.*

*Therefore He has poured on him  
the fury of His anger and the  
strength of battle.  
It has set him on fire all around,  
yet he did not know, and it burned  
him,  
Yet he did not take it to heart.*

## ...Isaiah 43.2

**But now...** *thus says the LORD, who created  
you, O Jacob,  
And He who formed you, O Israel:*

*"Fear not, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by your name;  
You are Mine.  
When you pass through the waters, I will be with  
you;  
And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you.  
When you walk through the fire, you shall not be  
burned,  
Nor shall the flame scorch you.  
For I am the LORD your God,  
The Holy One of Israel, your Savior*

# has God cast off His people ?

*'Thus says the LORD, Who gives the **sun** for a light by day, the ordinances of the **moon** and the **stars** for a light by night, Who disturbs the **sea**, and its waves roar (The LORD of hosts is His name):*

*"**If** those ordinances depart from before Me, says the LORD, then the seed of Israel shall also cease from being a nation before Me forever."  
Thus says the LORD:*

*"**If** **heaven** above can be measured, and the **foundations** of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, says the LORD'. Jer 31*

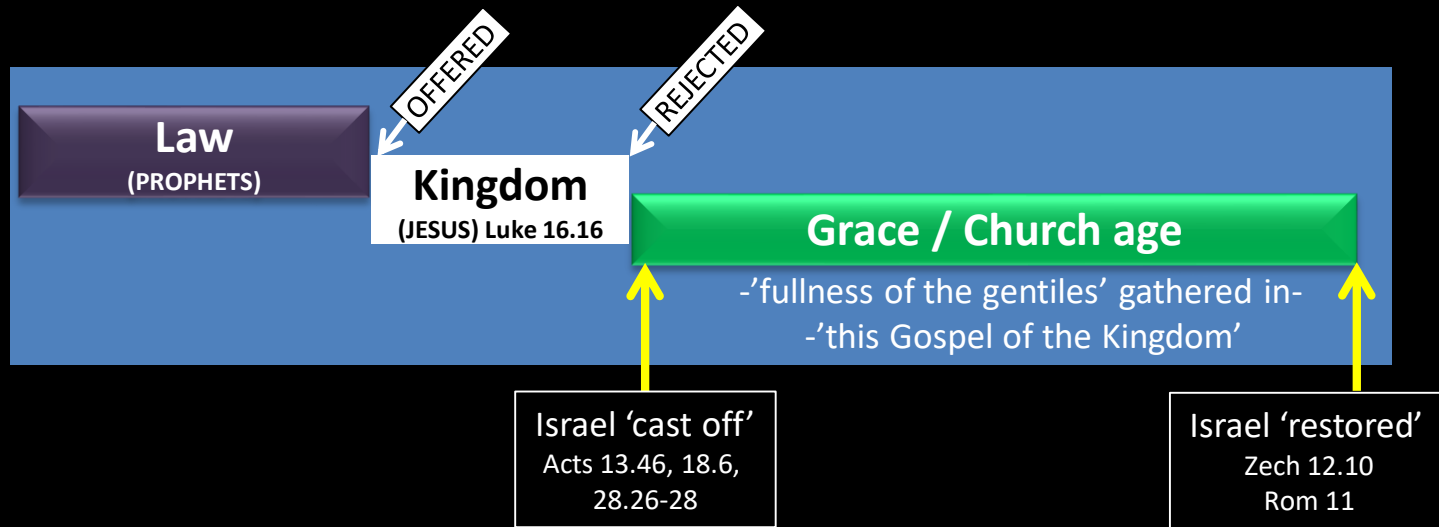
*'Has God cast away His people ?  
**Certainly not !**' Rom 11.1*

*'For the **mountains** shall depart and the **hills** be removed, but My kindness shall not depart from you, Nor shall My covenant of peace be removed, Says the LORD, who has mercy on you'. Isaiah 54.10 ff*

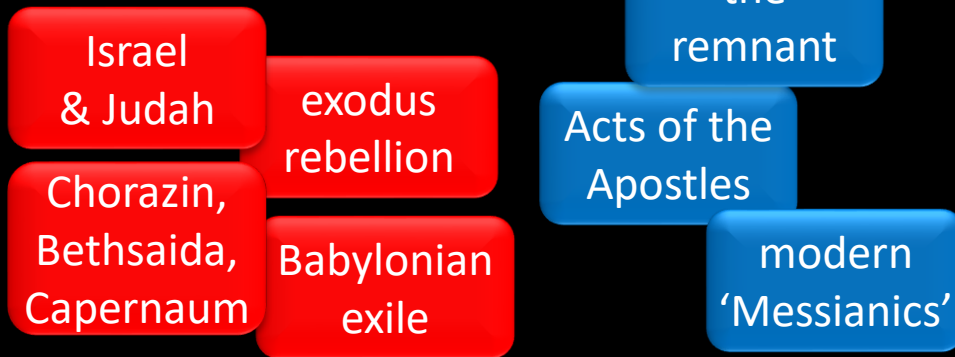
*But Israel shall be saved by the LORD with an **everlasting salvation**. You shall not be ashamed or disgraced  
**Forever and ever**. Isaiah 45.17*



# the kingdom offered, rejected, restored



## will every Jew be saved ?



...blindness in part has happened to Israel **until** the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. **And so all Israel will be saved**

Rom 11

'For many are called, but few are chosen'.

Matt 22.14

'Many will come from east and west and sit down with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, but the sons of the kingdom will be cast into outer darkness'

Matt 8.11-12

See also Acts 3.23

## without Israel...

- Church would have
  - no Saviour
  - no Bible (only Luke was gentile)
  - no patriarchs
  - no prophets
  - no apostles
  - no future 'new Jerusalem'
  - no past



# so, who/what is Israel ?

a people?  
 a nation?  
 a place?  
 a political entity?  
 the Jewish people?  
 Israeli Arabs?  
 the church?!



**'Israel'** = the physical descendents of Abraham & Isaac through Jacob  
 The **'Israel of God'** Gal 6.16 is decided by faith – not only the Jewish bloodline  
 He wills Israel to recognise Jesus – most won't  
 He chose Israel – but some will reject Him  
 He still keeps His covenant *'to bless those who bless...'* Ps 105.8-10  
 He has still promised the land to Israel (partially fulfilled)

# Israel/Jews – current UK situation

# anti-Semitism

## Definition

assessment of  
anti-Semitism  
in society



number of  
anti-Semitic  
incidents



how secure  
the Jewish  
community  
feels



how anti-Semitism  
plays out in  
politics, culture,  
entertainment  
& religion

<25% harbour anti-Semitic attitudes  
only 33% aware of Holocaust

Survey of 100 countries / 53,000 people  
May 2014

**Anti-Defamation League**

63% of UK Jews question future...

**Survey Jewish Chronicle 2014**

anti-Semitism 2<sup>nd</sup> worst on record  
following 'Protective Edge' campaign



# roots of anti-Semitism v anti-Zionism



## anti-Semitism

hates the Jews

wants to destroy the Jews

believes Jews are the problem

based on lies that demonise the Jews

propounded (generally) by Islamists, hard-left, extreme right

believes Jews are:  
 - 'baby killers' (blood libel)  
 - 'control US / UK / EU'  
 - 'control the banks'

- boycotts Jewish goods

## Replacement theology

Jews 'no different to any other people'  
 'the collective Jew'

seeks to 'evangelise' the Jews (conversion to Christianity)

believes Jewish State is a problem

based on error, omission & misinterpretation of Bible  
 eg proportionality in war)

propounded (generally) by established church inc most evangelicals

believes Palestinians have more right to the land than Jews  
 - controls the banks

- boycotts Israel goods (BDS)

# Israel in the Media



'systematic and routine inflations & omissions'

misrepresentation

give moral equivalence to terrorist and victim

a consistent (but denied) editorial policy

extant for many years

# Israel in the Media



"In Gaza, Hamas  
of its own civil

Weeks the death  
repercuss of its



**"Injured" man is carried away.**



**Same man makes a remarkable recovery.**



# Israel/Jews = 0.23% of world population...



cure for syphilis

16% of all UK prescriptions made in Israel



stent technology

1<sup>st</sup> oral polio vaccine

recycles 75% of rainwater - a record



22% of Nobel Prize winners  
most start-ups per capita  
most scientific papers per capita  
highest ratio of university degrees per capita  
spends greater % of GDP on R&D than any other nation

disaster relief



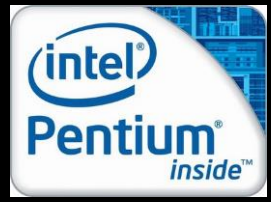
1<sup>st</sup> cell phone

the only democracy in the Middle East

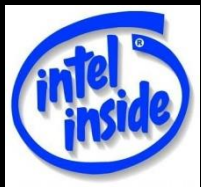
only country in Middle East with full religious freedom

equal opportunities for Jew / Arab male / female

cyber security



1<sup>st</sup> anti-virus



5 Hollywood Studios

entertainers & actors

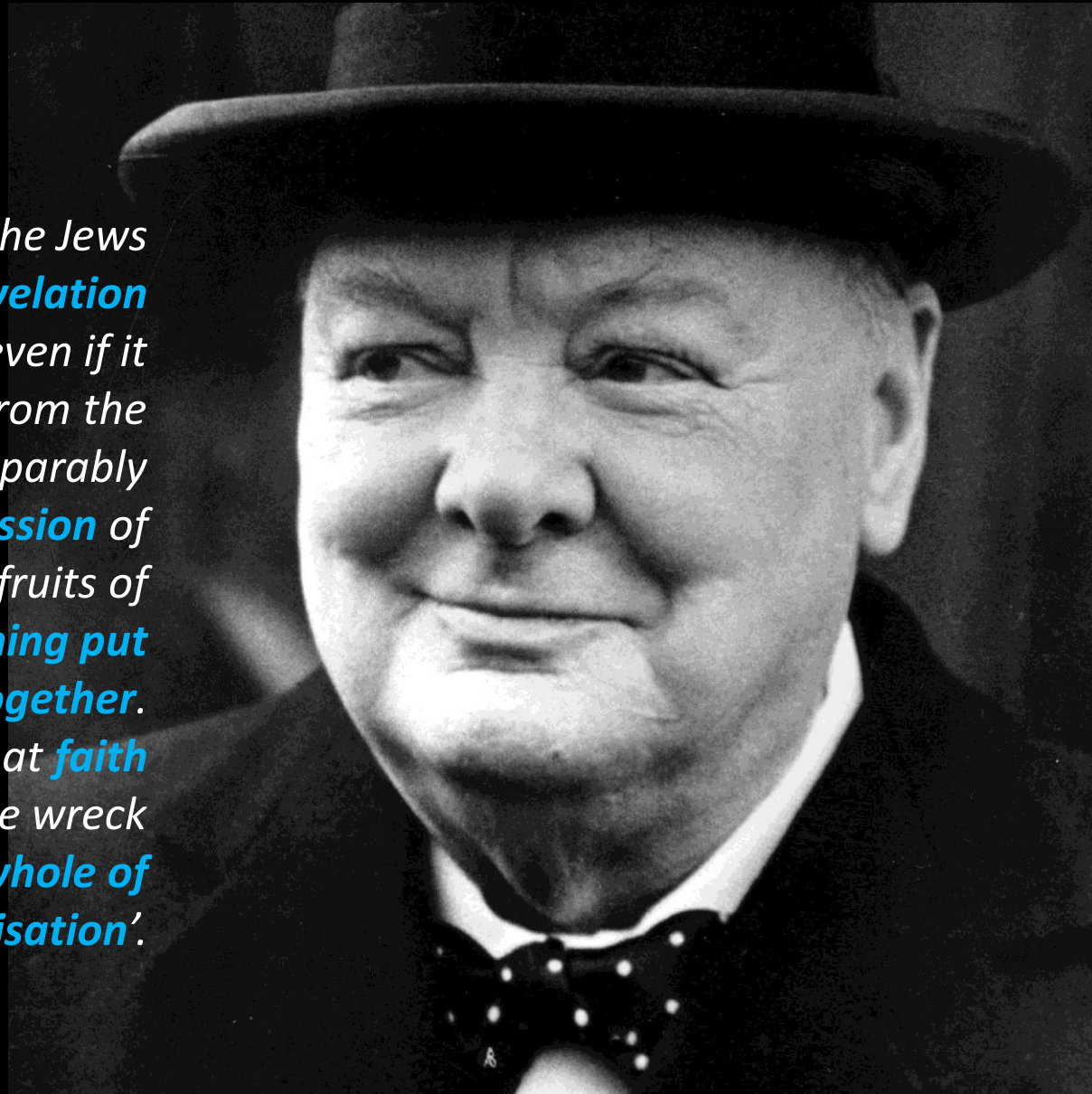


most museums per capita



*'We owe to the Jews  
in the **Christian revelation**  
a system of ethics which, even if it  
were entirely separated from the  
supernatural, would be incomparably  
**the most precious possession** of  
mankind, worth in fact the fruits of  
**all other wisdom and learning put  
together.***

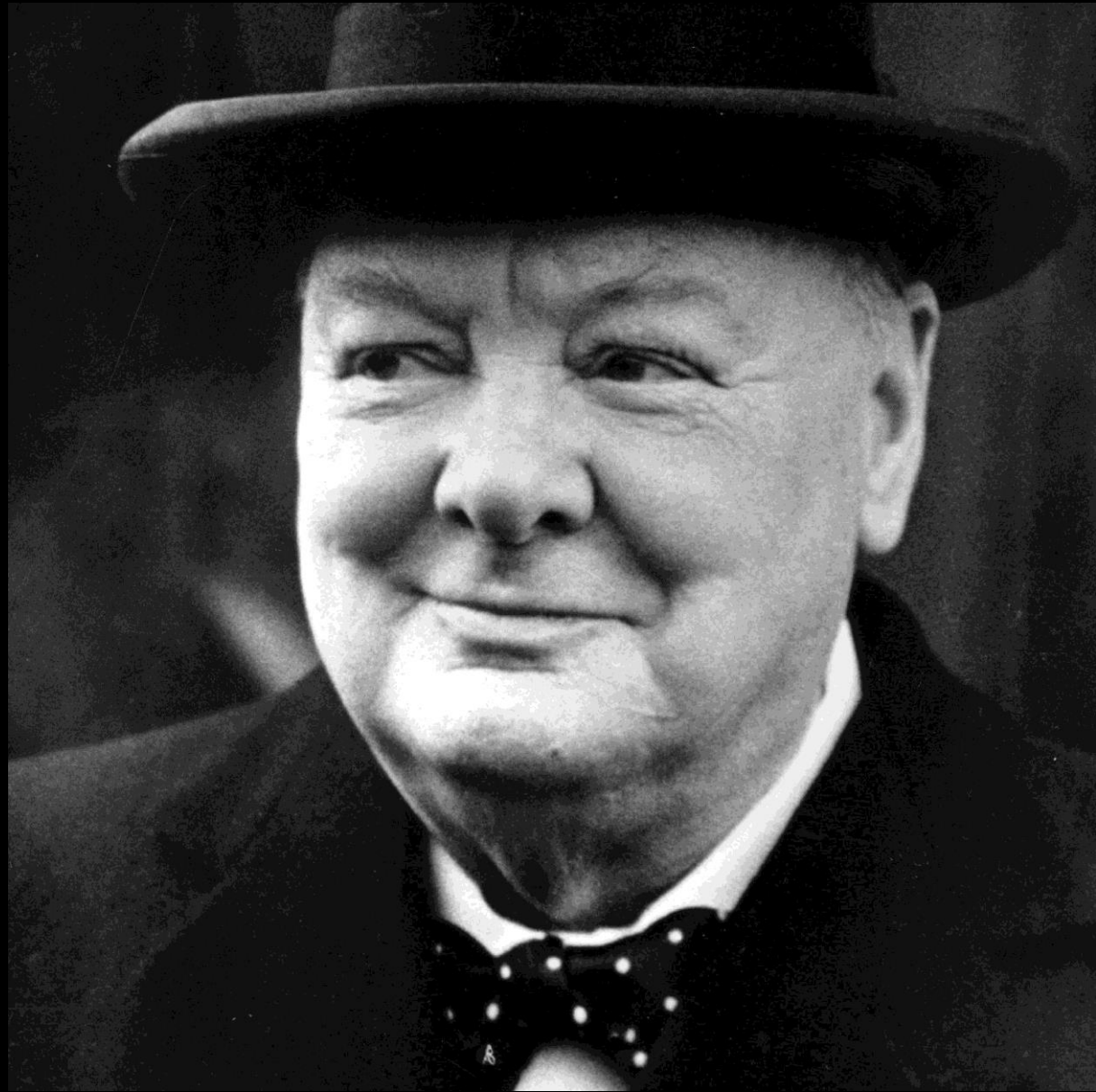
*On that **system** and by that **faith**  
there has been built out of the wreck  
of the Roman Empire the **whole of  
our existing civilisation**.'*



Winston Churchill

*‘Some people like Jews  
and some do not, but no  
thoughtful man can doubt  
the fact that they are  
beyond all question the  
most formidable and the  
most remarkable race  
which has ever appeared  
in the world’.*

Winston Churchill



# church's responsibility to Israel

- **share** your faith – only way is Jesus
- **pray** for the shalom of Jerusalem
- **'comfort** my people'
- **advocacy** - defend Israel (where appropriate)
- **challenge / refute** replacement theology
- **understand** your 'Jewish' roots
- assist **Aliyah**

For there is one God  
and one mediator  
between God and  
mankind, the man  
Christ Jesus

1Tim 2.5

# signs to watch for...



USA  
government-led hostility  
campus anti-Semitism  
increasing emigration



Middle East  
Conflict



'3<sup>rd</sup> Temple' activity  
& Temple Mount



general  
increase in  
Global  
emigration  
to Israel



increasing  
international  
isolation of  
Israel



**BDS**  
boycotts  
divestment  
sanctions



# the temple – tomorrow ?

3<sup>rd</sup> temple video 'the children are ready'



<http://www.thethirdtemple.com>

**Mod 7**

Thy Kingdom  
come (I)



ישראל

Israel = 'God wins'

a message from God

an example

a prophetic warning

a testimony

(Ps 78.5)

over to you...

*'The King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you*

***did it to one of these  
brothers of Mine, even the  
least of them,***

*you did it to Me...'*

Matt 25.40



# resources

## pro-Israel Christian organisations



## Israeli Media



This is where we stand



see

[omegaprogramme.com](http://omegaprogramme.com)

for links



## Media monitors

