

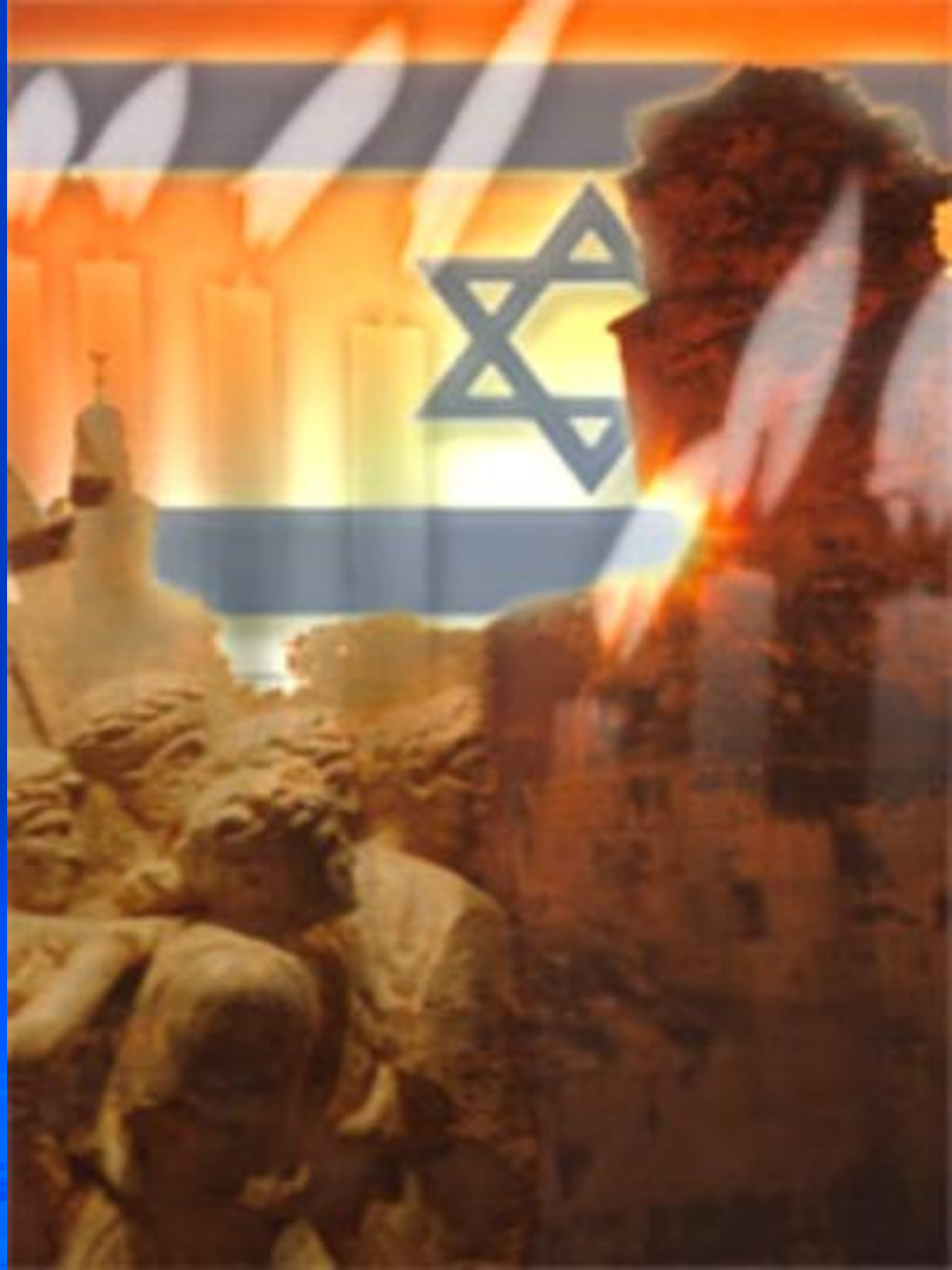
THE 10 LOST TRIBES OF ISRAEL

MYTH

OR

FACT?

Part FOUR



FACES OF THE LOST TRIBES?



WHO

IS

EPHRAIM?



A DUAL NATURE

Nature # 1

**Swallowed up by
gentiles**

Nature #2

**Retained their
Tribal identities**

WHO

IS NOT

EPRAIM?

**Kingdoms of
Israel and Judah**

0 10 20 30 40 miles
0 10 20 30 40 kilometers



ISRAEL IS DIVIDED INTO TWO KINGDOMS

➤ Solomon dies in
925 B.C.

Ephraim controls the
north Ephraim ruled
by Jeroboam

Judah controls the
south Judah ruled
by Rehoboam

ONLY EPHRAIM WAS EXILED!

Only Ephraim!

WHOLE
HOUSE OF
ISRAEL

THE HOUSE OF **EPHRAIM** ISRAEL

Northern Kingdom

10 Tribes

~~THE HOUSE OF JUDAH~~

~~Southern Kingdom~~

~~2 Tribes~~

PRIEST
TRIBE

LEVI

RUEBEN

SIMEON

JUDAH

DAN

NAPHTALI

GAD

ASHER

ISSACHAR

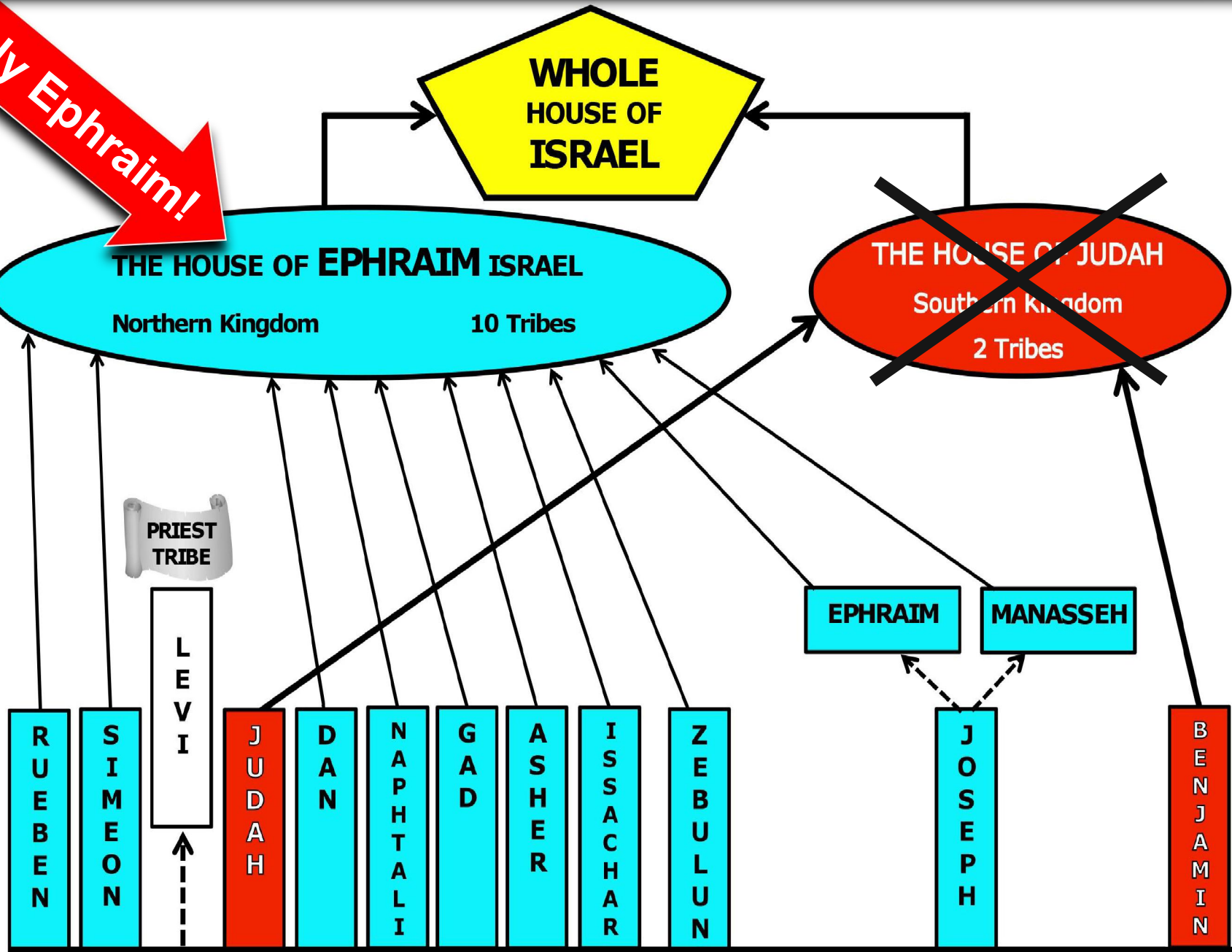
ZEBULUN

EPHRAIM

MANASSEH

JOSEPH

BENJAMIN



TODAY'S JEWS ARE
JUST 2 OF THE 12
TRIBES!



TWO HOUSES
OF ISRAEL

BUT

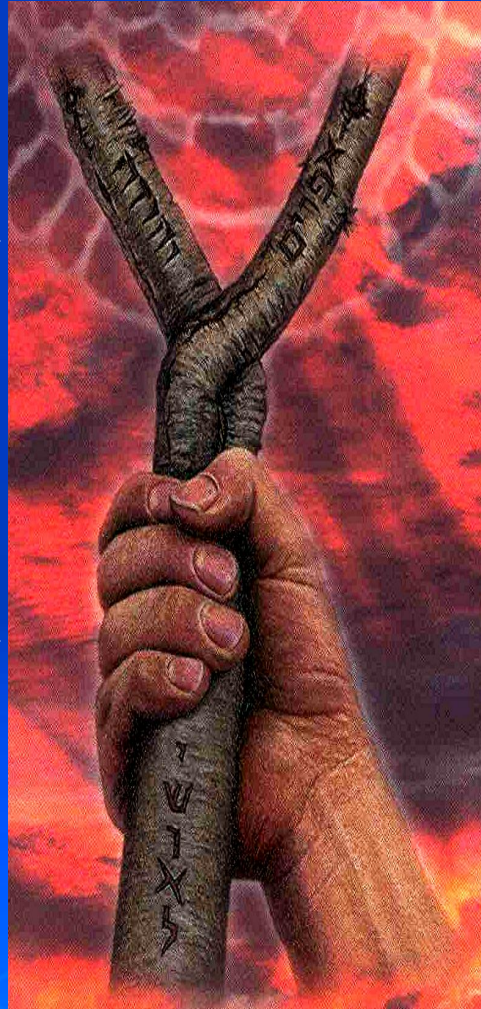
JUDAH IS ONLY
ONE HOUSE!



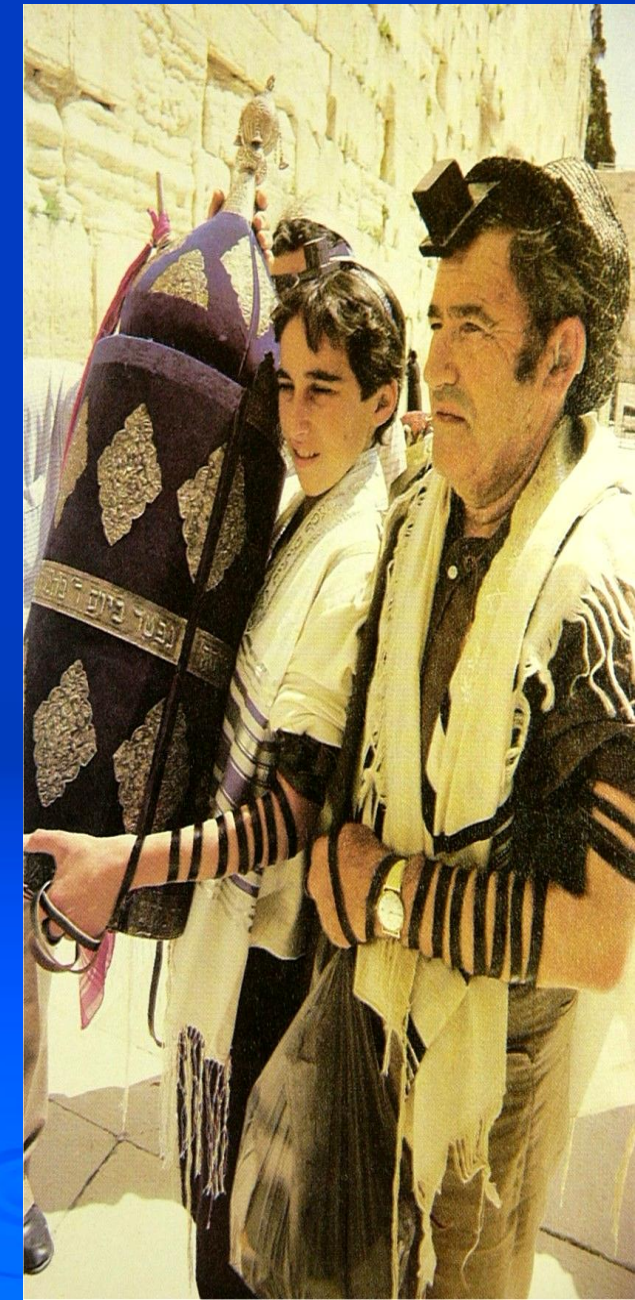
EPHRAIM



EZEKIEL 37



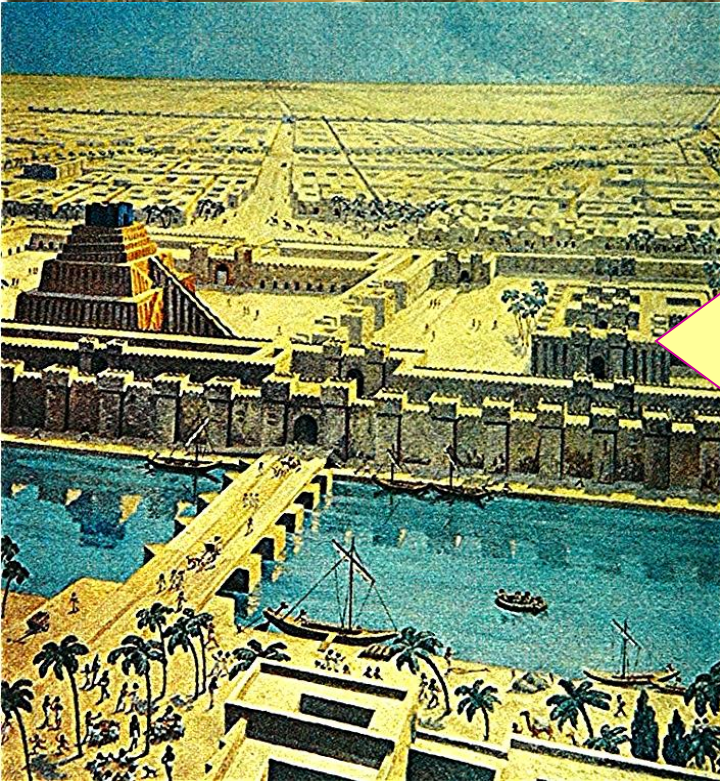
JUDAH



Ezekiel



Assyrian Empire (9th-8th Centuries B.C.E.)



Judah to
Babylon

586 BC

722 BC

Ephraim
to Assyria



IN BABYLON THE JEWS LIVED IN THE ORIGINAL TEL-AVIV



EKEKIEL 37 EVENTS MUST OCCUR AFTER JUDAH CONQUERED BY BABYLON

- Must occur AFTER all 12 tribes have been scattered, because all 12 tribes must come back from among the nations
- Must occur AFTER some of Israel has already returned to the Land



THE RETURN FROM EXILE



THE PERSIAN EMPIRE

MAP 7

537—440 B.C. (ESTHER; EZRA; NEHEMIAH)

MAP 7 KEY

■ Persian Empire ca. 537–440 B.C.



RETURN FROM BABYLON



- 39,000 left Babylon, but 50,000 arrived
- Picked up remnants of Ephraim-Israel
- These “hitchhikers” would have been required to give loyalty to Judah

JOSEPHUS

- Real name:
Joseph Ben Mattatias
- Born a Jew
- Educated by Pharisees
- Commander of Jewish rebel forces
- Captured, then gave loyalty to Rome
- *“...whereas there are but 2 tribes in Asia and Europe subject to the Romans, the 10 tribes are STILL beyond the Euphrates ‘til now, and are an immense multitude...”*



EPHRAIM IS “STILL” BEYOND THE EUPHRATES: Josephus



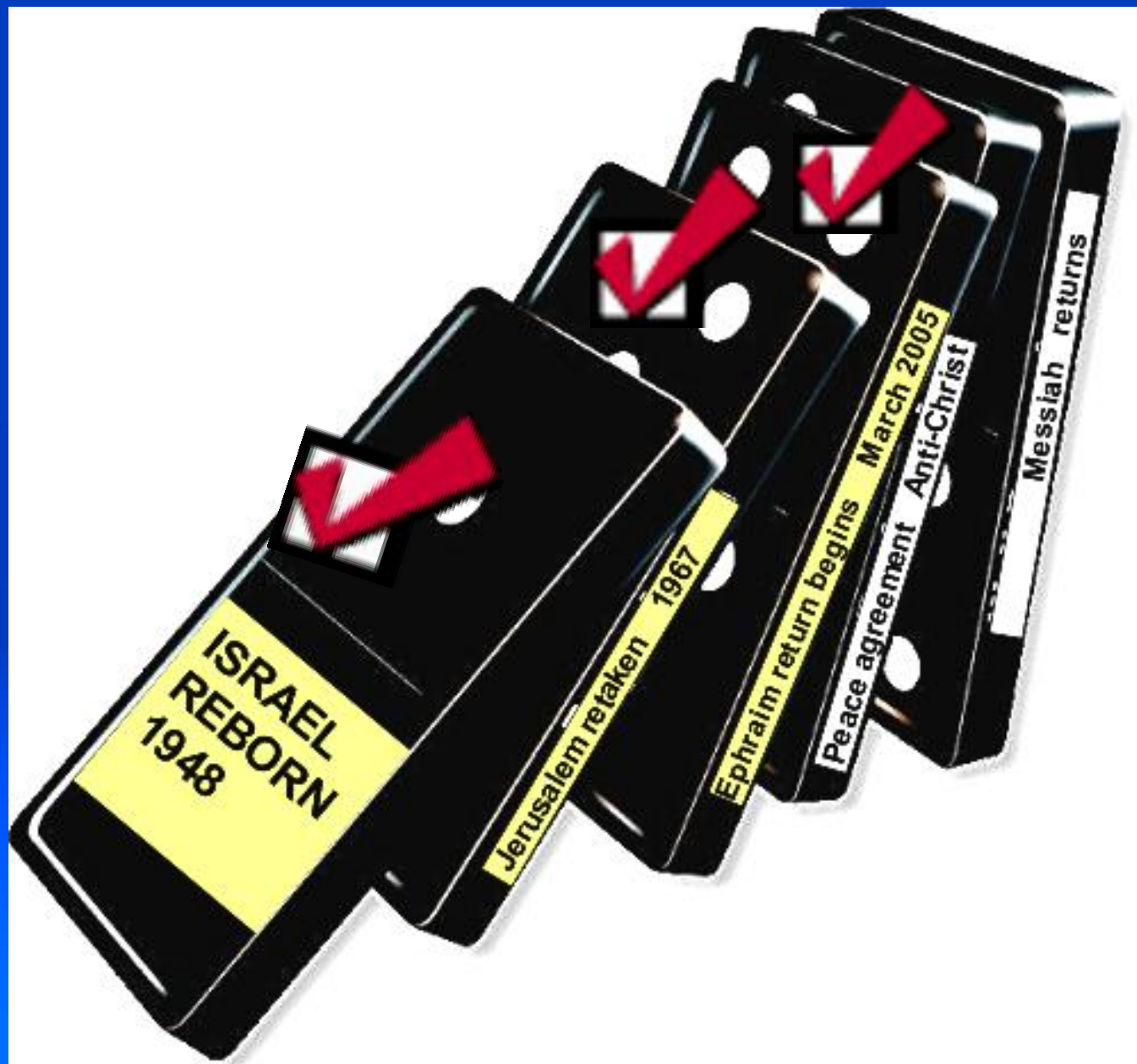
EZEKIEL 37: 26 – 28

REIGN OF MESSIAH

- An END-TIMES prophecy
- **FIRST!** Israel must be re-established as a nation, or there is NO PLACE for the reunion of the Two Houses
- As of now, Ephraim in the process of rejoining Judah



PROPHECY DOMINOS ARE FALLING!



**MILLENNIAL
KINGDOM**

DUAL NATURE

NATURE #1

NATURE #2

GOD

all merciful

all just

CHRIST

suffering servant

mighty king

**CHRIST'S
ESSENCE**

God

man

BELIEVERS

gentiles

Jews

MANKIND

spirit

flesh

UNIVERSE

material

spiritual

**SPIRIT
WORLD**

good

evil