

GENESIS 48: The Blessing



- Jacob was near death
- Joseph's two sons were born to Asenath, Egyptian wife
- Jacob (Israel) learned of Abrahamic Covenant from his father, Isaac
- Kahal ammim = holy convocation of fellow countrymen
- Will receive Canaan as "the Land of Promise"



- Luz = Beth-el
- Jacob did NOT call God Y-H-W-H (Yehoveh)
- Paleo-linguistics study of ancient languages
- Shaddai is cognate of the Akkadian word “Shaddu”
- Shaddu means “mountain”
- **El Shaddai = God of the Mountain**

JACOB ADOPTS JOSEPH'S 2 SONS



- Jacob did NOT simply make these boys Israelites
- Ephraim and Manasseh became sons, equals to his other 12 sons
- There were at that moment 14 tribes of Israel

WHY DO YOU LOVE ISRAEL?

- Christianity has ignored the principle: ***We must be grafted into the spiritual heritage of Israel to be saved***
- This is done through Yeshua
- The “family of God” is Israel
- What makes the Church “***The Church***” is our being grafted into the covenants of Israel
- Not a PHYSICAL grafting, but a SPIRITUAL grafting
- A Spiritual Ideal of Israel

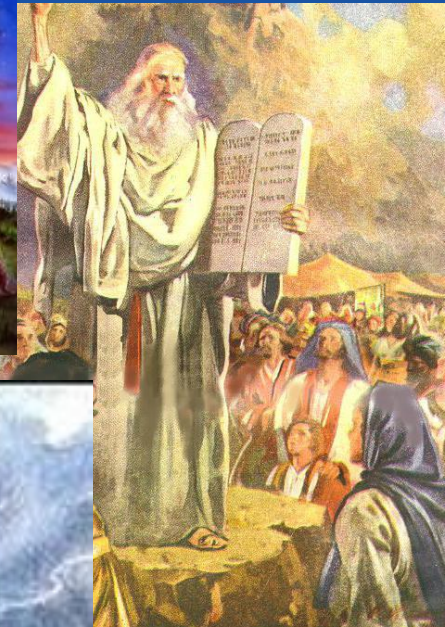


GENTILES

ISRAEL

OLDER AND NEWEST COVENANTS GIVEN TO ISRAEL!

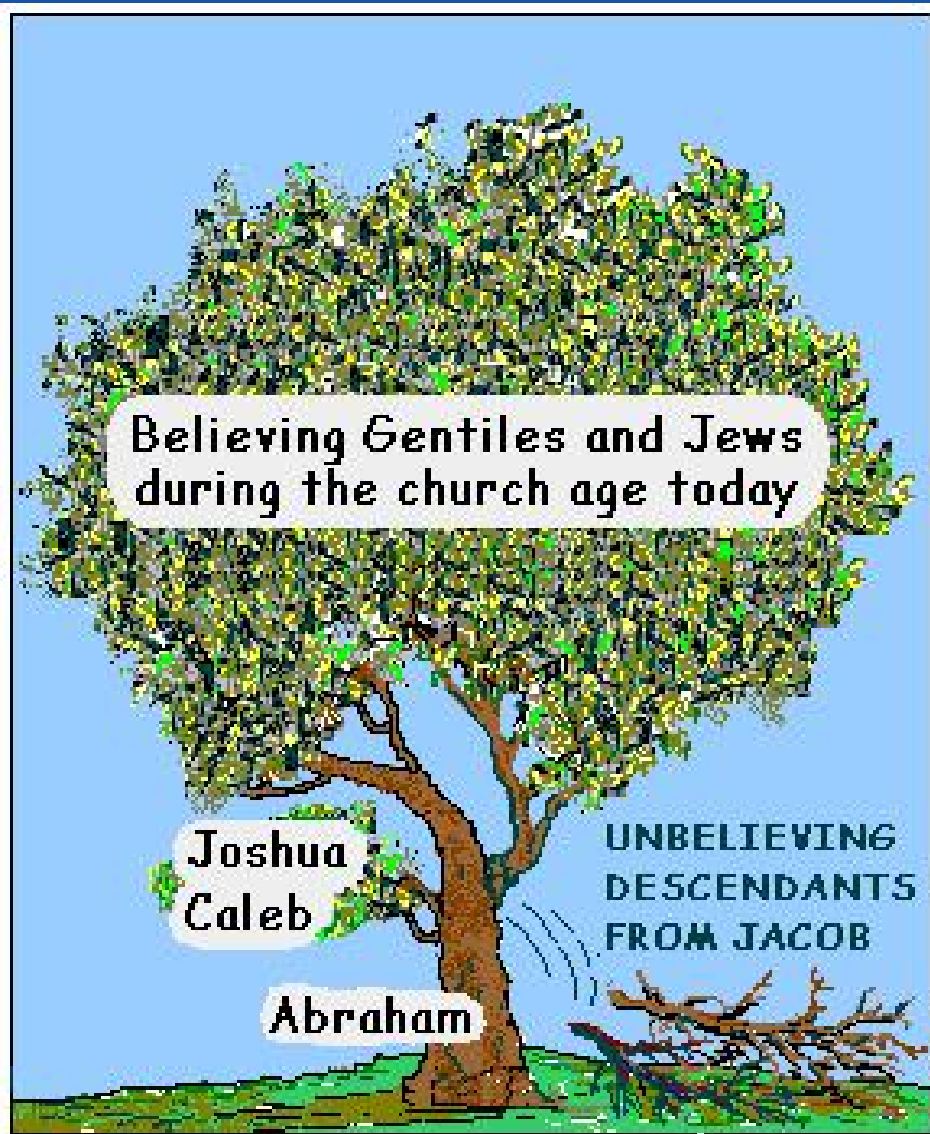
- Jeremiah 31:31 *“Behold...I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah...”*
- There is no “gentile” covenant
- NO ONE can partake in these covenants unless they are part of Israel
- Gentiles MUST be declared part of Israel to have legal access to the covenants (including the NEW covenant in Yeshua)



HAS “THE CHURCH” REPLACED ISRAEL?

- *NAS Jeremiah 31:35 Thus says the LORD, Who gives the sun for light by day, And the fixed order of the moon and the stars for light by night, Who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar; The LORD of hosts is His name: 36 "If this fixed order departs From before Me," declares the LORD, "Then the offspring of Israel also shall cease From being a nation before Me forever." 37 Thus says the LORD, "If the heavens above can be measured, And the foundations of the earth searched out below, Then I will also cast off all the offspring of Israel For all that they have done," declares the LORD.*
- Replacement theology is NOT an error, it is intentional deceit
- An attempt to STEAL Israel's heritage from them

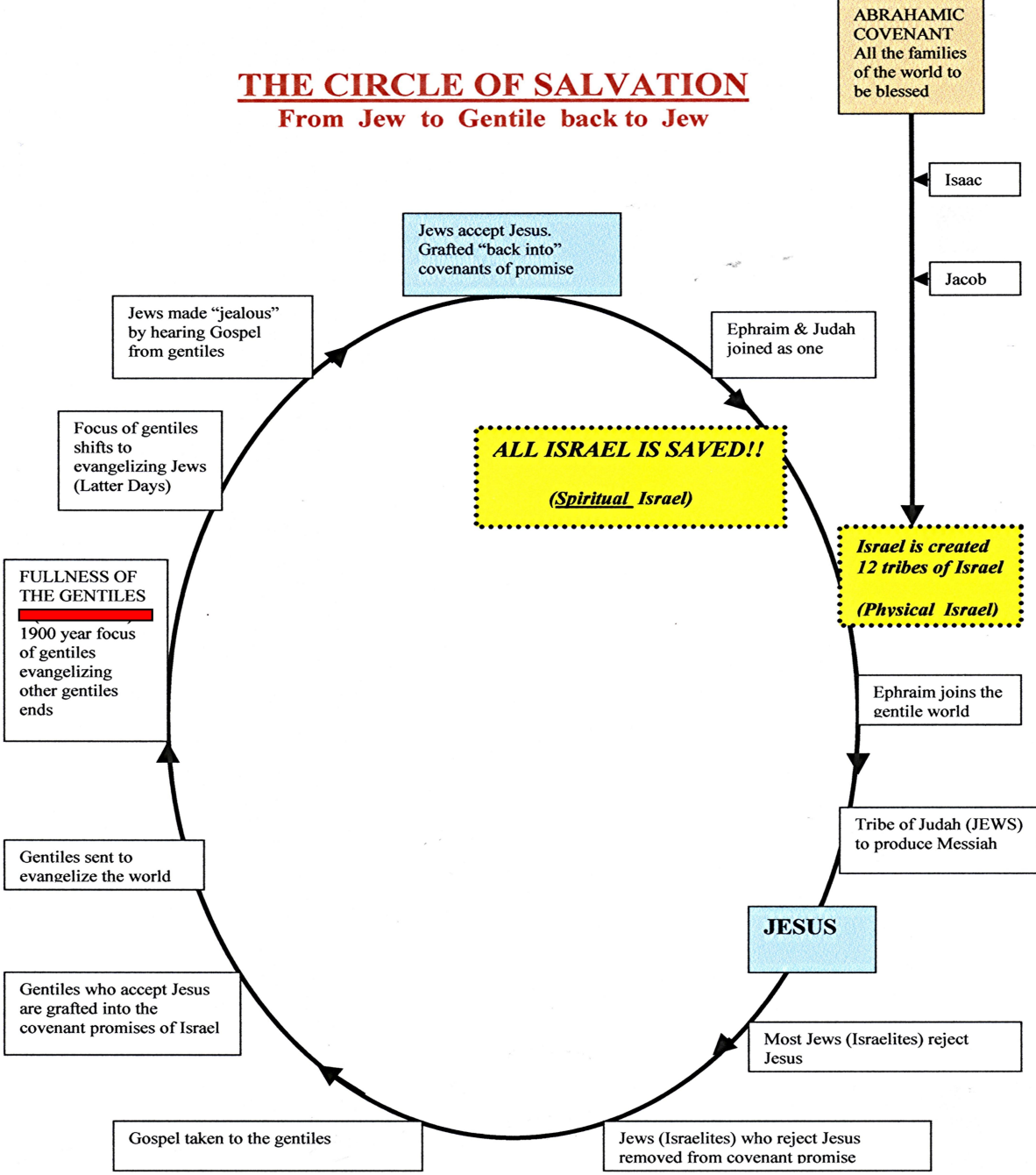
GENTILES CAN BE INCLUDED...IF...



- NOT because we're "good"
- God made provision for foreigners (gentiles) to join Israel
- Gentiles to be 1st class citizens
- Outside of joining Israel from a spiritual perspective, there is no way to partake of their covenants
- This is done by faith in Yeshua

THE CIRCLE OF SALVATION

From Jew to Gentile back to Jew



- From the Jews, to the Gentiles, back to the Jews
- The goal is that **ALL ISRAEL BE SAVED**
- Romans 2:26
- Jew = Israel to Paul
- A **“true Jew”** must be a **“spiritual Israelite”**

IT'S OUR SPIRITUAL STANDING WITH GOD THAT MATTERS

- Our spiritual standing is based on what?
- Based on the covenants made with Israel, including the New Covenant in Yeshua
- Paul is talking to Jews and gentiles
- Romans 3:1-3
- NO spiritual distinction between those who trust Yehoveh
- BUT, there IS a physical distinction: there remains physical Jews (Israelites) and physical gentiles!
- Physical Jews have an advantage, they brought “the Word” into the world
- ALL who trust Yeshua for salvation are made part of “true Israel”..... “spiritual Jews” (spiritual Israelites)

KINGDOM OF GOD

- The Kingdom of God is people, not institutions
- People who have given themselves over to God
- FAITH in Yeshua is the SOLE identifying factor as to who is a member
- BUT....the LEGAL reason for all this is contained in the covenants with Israel
- Jews do NOT take on gentile physical identity
- Gentiles do NOT take on Jewish physical identity



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PRINCIPLES LAWS
COMMANDS

DIVINE IDEALS



SPIRITUAL PLANE

IDEALS PUT TO PHYSICAL PRACTICE



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PHYSICAL PLANE

➤ **Ephesians 2:11**

- Gentiles by birth, OUTSIDERS to Israel & God
- By means of Christ, declared INSIDERS

➤ **Romans 9:6**

- Not EVERY Israelite is part of “true” Israel (Spiritual Israel)
- Not EVERY gentile will become part of the Kingdom of God (true/spiritual Israel)

➤ **Galatians 3:26**

- Faith in Yeshua = seed of Abraham
- Heirs according the promise MEANS according to the covenant with Abraham
- Christ was PART of God’s plan, but not ALL of it

