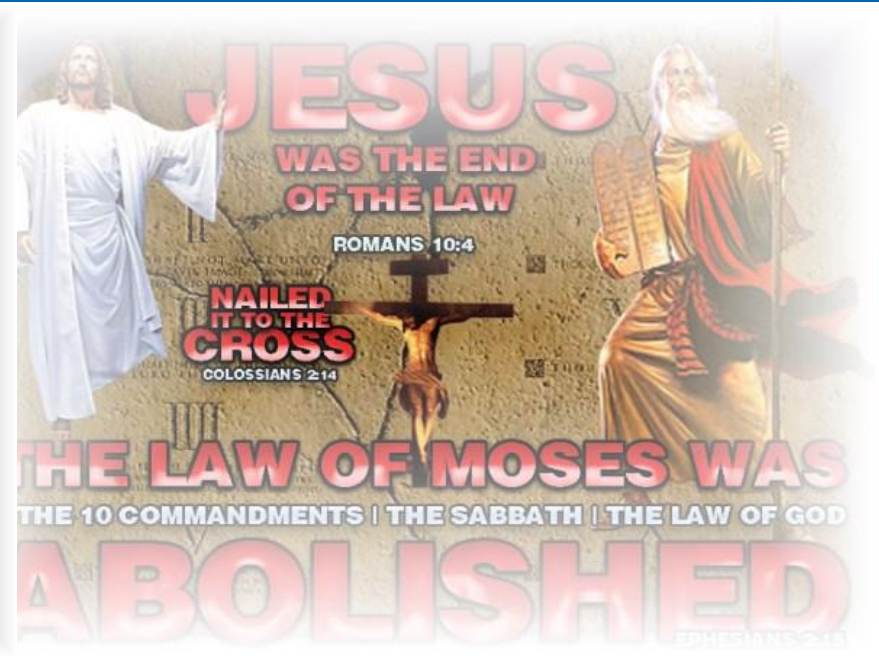
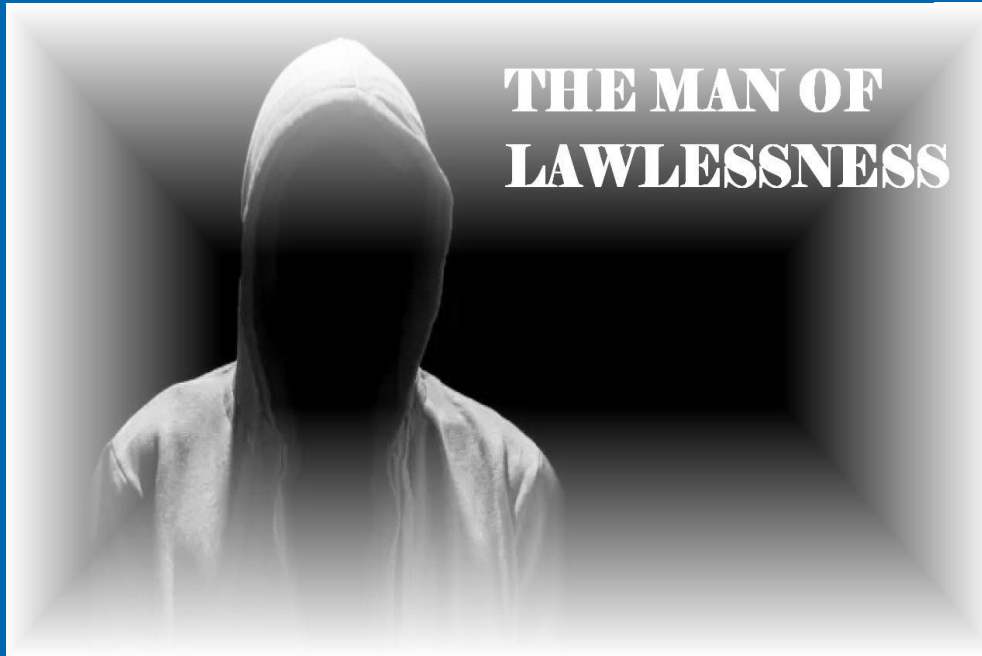




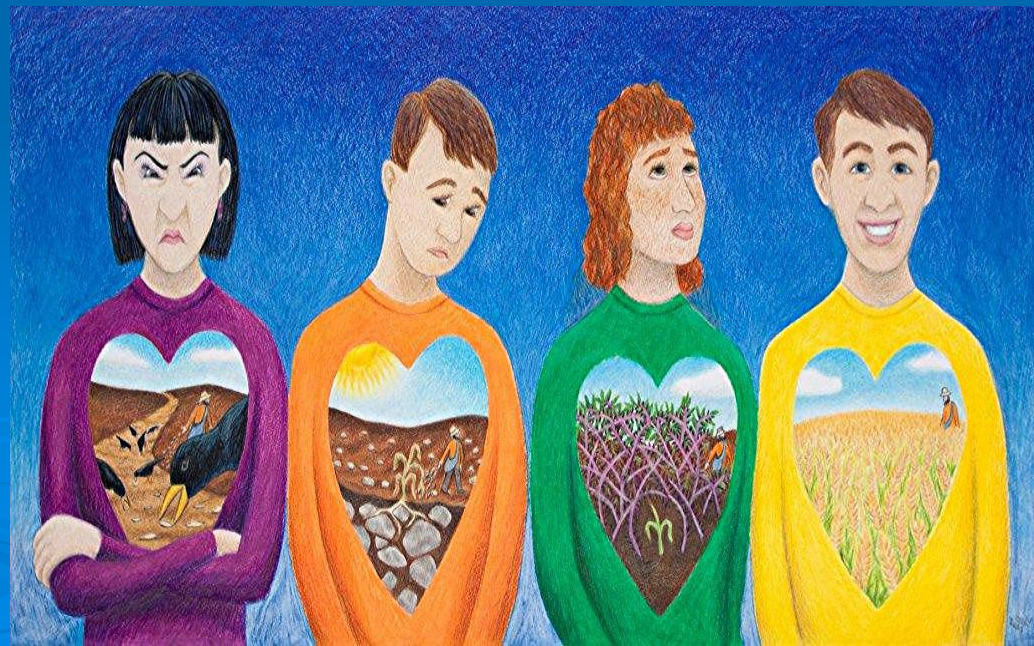
# A STRANGE GRAY AREA



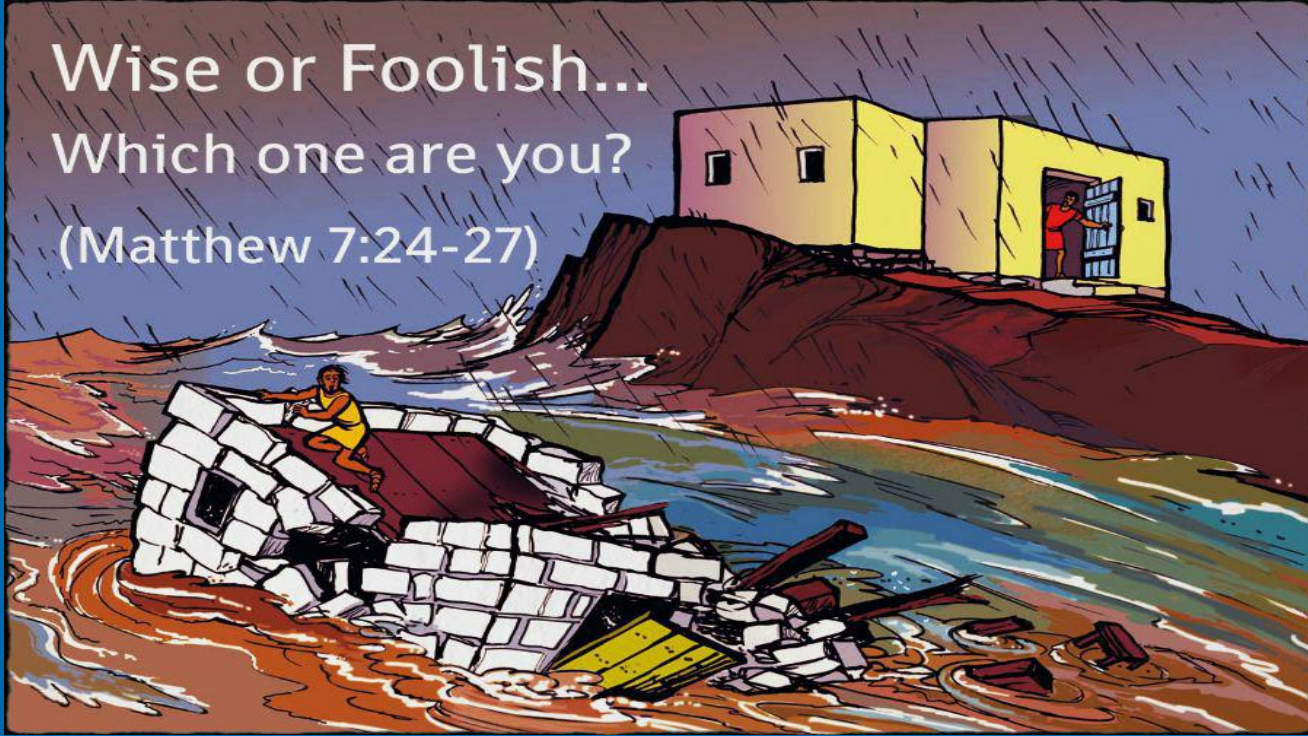
- Workers of lawlessness = non-Believers, fake Believers, self-deceived Believers denied entry into the Kingdom of Heaven
- Least in the Kingdom of Heaven allowed entry into the Kingdom of Heaven, but are “the least” in the Kingdom’s social hierarchy

# THE DANGER OF NOT DOING

- Matthew 7:24 – 27
- Luke 11:28
- *Shema* = hear and DO!
- Humans often uplifted by fine words, but fail to follow through with actions and deeds
- Parable of the seeds/Sower
- Deut.28:15



Wise or Foolish...  
Which one are you?  
(Matthew 7:24-27)



- Jesus asks a rhetorical question because no one would build a house on sand
- House on rock or sand is an analogy of our spiritual foundation
- The context is about when calamity strikes, not how well the foundation holds up in good times
- *Grammateus* = Scribes Teachers in the Synagogues

# MATTHEW CHAPTER 8

30 A.D.



2020 A.D.



- People were still viewing Yeshua as a *Tzadik*
- *Tzara'at* (not Leprosy) a God-caused skin disease
- Yeshua follows similar pattern as Moses
- Sick person sought out Christ (ask, seek, knock)
- Leper was “cleansed” not “healed”
- The “unclean” had to live in isolation

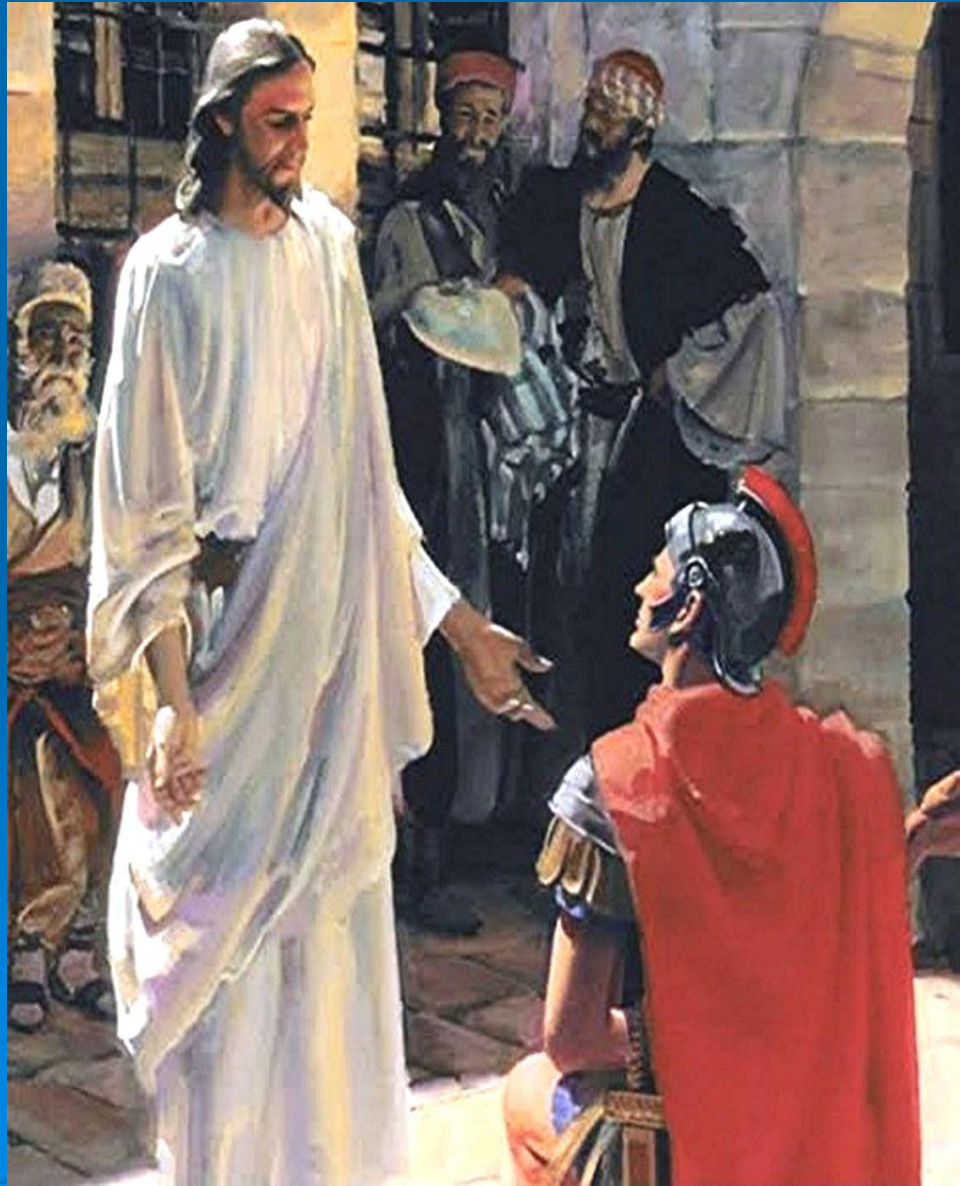
# YESHUA FOLLOWS THE LAW




- The stricken man knew the procedure for being unclean and what to do after being cleansed
- Likely crowds would have backed away and not have seen or heard what Yeshua did and said
- There is NO Torah Law against touching an unclean *Tzara'at* victim
- Sending the man to a priest, and offering a sacrifice, is observing The Law

# YESHUA CONFRONTED BY A ROMAN CENTURION

- In Capernaum where He is living, Yeshua is met by a Centurion wanting help
- In the NT, Centurions are generally given respect
- Yeshua offers to go the Centurion's house, but the Roman officer declines
- *Kurios* = *adon* = sir, Mr., master, lord
- “Lord” not meant in the religious sense of “God”
- Jewish Tradition was that a gentile and his home were unclean



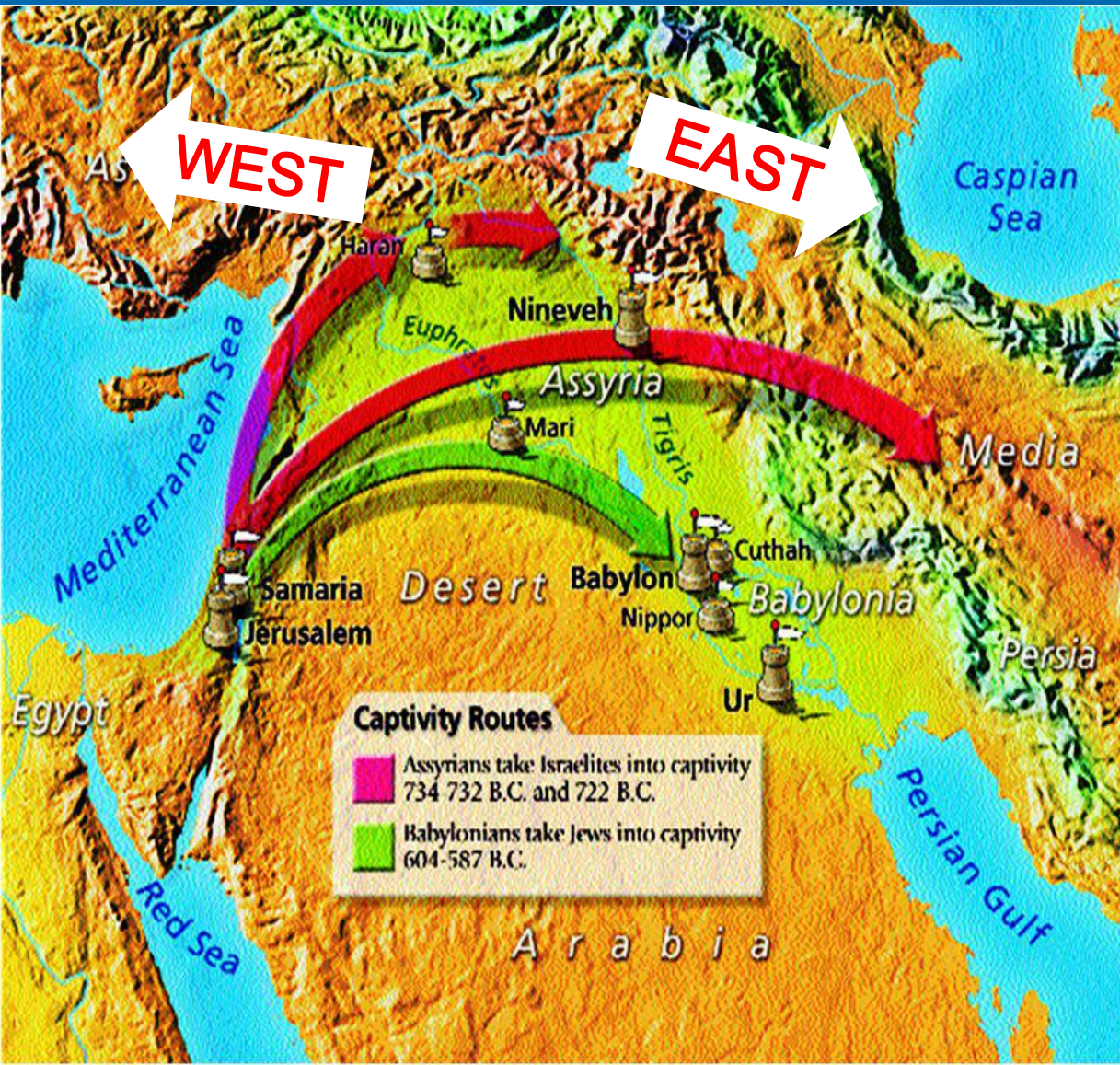


THE  
**CENTURION'S  
FAITH** Luke 7:1-10  
Matthew 8:5-13

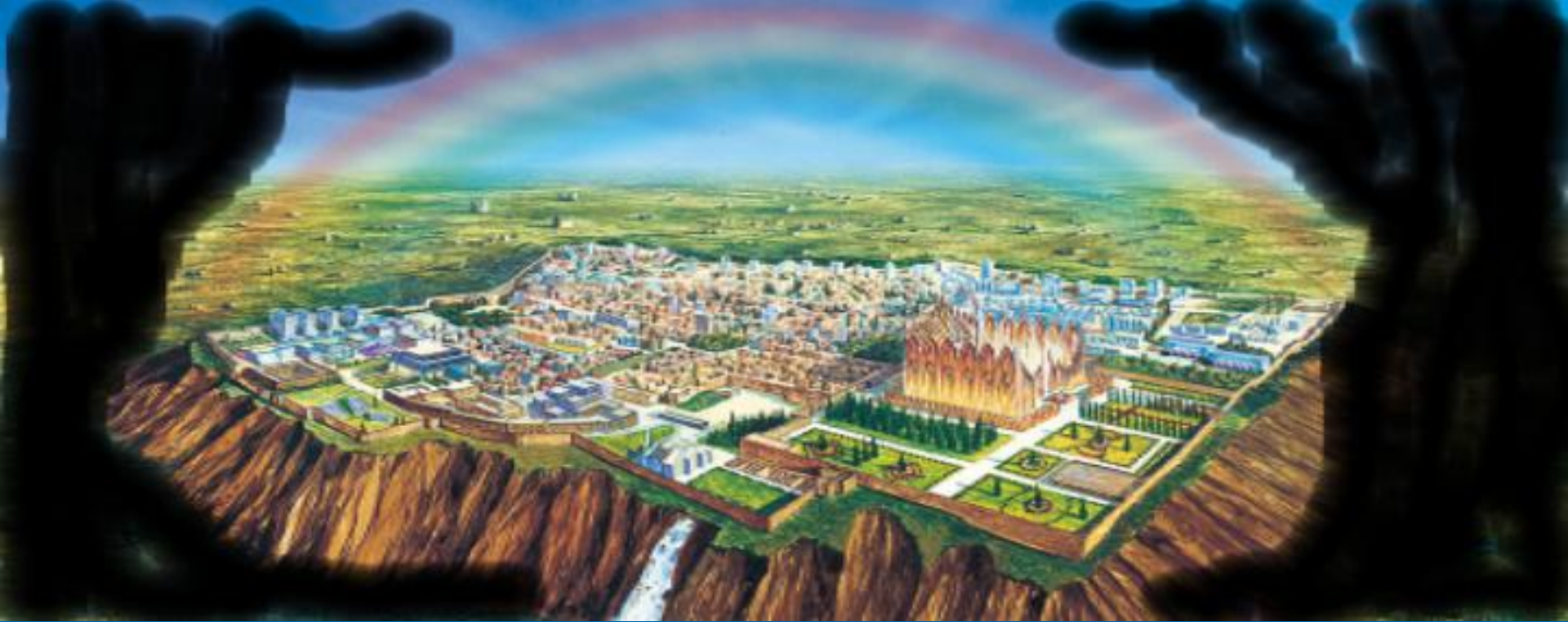
- Yeshua says no one in Israel has such faith
- NOT a religious faith/trust by the Centurion in the God of Israel
- Centurion holds a deep, confident, unequivocal conviction that this Holy Man is able to heal his house slave
- This kind of faith is based on an invisible promise and the mere uttering of a word, instead of a visible sign
- The Roman expresses what Yeshua says a healthy faith looks like



# COMING FROM THE EAST AND WEST



- Israel exiled to east and west, so will return from east and west
- Coming to the banquet at the Kingdom of Heaven
- Probably the 10 “Lost Tribes”
- Ezek. 36 – 38
- Despite Israel’s unfaithfulness, many will be welcomed into the Kingdom



- Who are those “born for the Kingdom” but excluded into the outer darkness?
- *Huios* more means “sons of the Kingdom”
- Seems to be natural born Israelites who do not accept Yeshua as God’s Son, Lord, and Savior
- Not all Israelites will be granted citizenship to the Kingdom of Heaven
- 2Peter 2:1 - 17