

Two new moons had passed since we crossed the Red Sea. We'd been on an arduous trek through the desert, but we finally approached the intimidating slopes of Sinai, not sure of what to expect. Suddenly, the mountain was wrapped in a thick curtain of smoke that descended upon the precipice of the towering peak. We trembled as we prepared to meet the God who had rescued us from Egypt only weeks before. As He spoke, the immortal words of Torah cascaded down the mountain and rumbled through our camp. (Possible reflections of an Israelite at Mount Sinai, based on commentary in Shemot Rabbah)

God's words that day reflected His love and commitment to Israel. But they also carried His desire for all people of the Earth to know Him.

Referring to Exodus 20:18, some rabbis claim that we saw the voice of God that day. Rashi wrote,

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Shavuot: Sunset June 1 to sunset June 3 **Pentecost:** Sunday, June 8

Huckabee Confirmed as Ambassador to Israel

By Adam Eliyahu Berkowitz Israel365News.com

In April, the U.S. Senate voted 53 to 46 to confirm Gov. Mike Huckabee as Ambassador to Israel



President Trump enthusiastically praised Huckabee's confirmation: "[He will] bring home the bacon ... even though bacon isn't too big in Israel."

In a post on X, Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu praised the

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confirmation of his "great friend," saying it was a "great day for the Israeli-American alliance."

Huckabee responded: "Thank you @IsraeliPM and I look forward to working with you as we pray for the 'Peace of Jerusalem!"

A strong supporter of Israel, Huckabee was named by *The Jerusalem Post* the second most influential Zionist in America in 2024.

An ordained Southern Baptist minister, Huckabee is the first non-Jew appointed to the post since President George W. Bush appointed James Cunningham in 2008. Huckabee faced stiff opposition from Democrats who opposed his faith-based support of Israel. [Only one Democrat, Sen. John Fetterman, voted for Huckabee's confirmation. —Editor]

In a video posted on social media, Huckabee explained his devotion to Israel: "You can be Jewish and have nothing whatsoever to do with Christians, but I can't be a Christian and not have everything to do with the Jewish people, the Jewish faith, the Scriptures. Everything I believe is built on the foundation of that, so for me — and most Evangelicals would say the same thing — we are people of the Book. It's simple."

On her Twitter account, Arkansas Gov. Sarah Huckabee Sanders stated, "The most important lesson my dad @GovMikeHuckabee ever taught me is to be who God created me to be. I could not be any more proud of my dad for returning to public service as

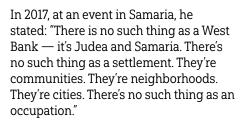
Mike Huckabee places his hand on a Bible held by his wife, Janet, as he's sworn in by Judge Lavenksi Smith as the new U.S. ambassador to Israel on April 9, 2025.

Ambassador to Israel, and fulfilling the purpose God has for him"

Huckabee is a strong supporter of Israel, opposing Palestinian statehood. In a 2015

interview with *The Washington Post*, Huckabee stated: "The idea that they have a long history, dating back hundreds or thousands of years, is not true."

He opposes the Two-State Solution, a political agenda that would create an unprecedented militarized Arab state inside the borders of Israel that has been ethnically cleansed of Jews with its exclusively Muslim capital in Jerusalem. In its place, Huckabee supports Israel expressing sovereignty over the Jewish land recaptured in the defensive 1967 Six-Day War. He has suggested that a "Palestinian State" could be established in neighboring countries like Egypt, Syria, or Jordan, where far more Palestinians already live, rather than within Israel's borders



He has also rejected the concept of Palestinian identity, asserting that it was "a political tool to try and force land away from Israel."

"Basically, there really is no such thing as — I need to be careful about saying this, because people will really get upset — there's really no such thing as a Palestinian," Huckabee said at a 2008 campaign stop in Massachusetts while speaking to two Orthodox Jewish men. "There's not."







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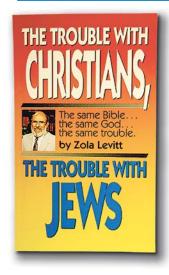


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The Trouble with Christians, The Trouble with Jews book

Bv Zola Levitt

The trouble with Christians and the trouble with Jews is exactly the same: both subscribe to the God of Israel, the Creator God —the God of Scripture —but both have been remiss in actually reading Scripture. The different denominations of Christianity and of Judaism utilize Scripture differently, but it is patently obvious that the vast majority in both camps don't have a significant grasp of the Bible.

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The Day We Experienced God's Voice

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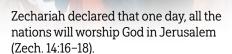
"They saw what was audible, which is impossible to see elsewhere..." and "Emanating from the mouth of the Almighty. Many voices, voices coming from every direction, and from the heavens, and from the Earth." Some rabbis interpret this manifestation as God's words dividing into 70 languages in visible flames of fire, so all the nations could understand His instructions (Shemot Rabbah 5:9).

The point of the first *Shavuot* was that God wanted His chosen nation to know Him personally and to bring all the other nations into relationship with Him. But none of the other nations were there that day. How were they meant to hear God's invitation to come and worship Him?

Micah 4:2 states that the Word of the Lord is meant to go out from Jerusalem, no doubt with the intention that other nations would hear about the God of Israel. However, most Jewish people do not pursue others to join Judaism. And yet, the purpose of God's gift of the Torah was to activate us to be who we were meant to be — a light to the nations.

For thousands of years, strategies were drawn to attract both gentiles and unaffiliated Jewish people to the practice of Judaism. Why? Because foundational Judaism recognized that God's plan in calling Israel out from the nations was for us to reflect His holiness and bring the rest of humanity into relationship with Him.

This is reflected clearly in the Hebrew Scriptures. We've welcomed non-Jews into the fold numerous times, from the Egyptians who stood with us at Sinai on that first Shavuot to Rahab and Ruth. Even before Sinai, Jewish tradition says that Abraham broke the idols of his relatives and friends in Ur and taught them to follow only one God. Our prophets decried idolatry not just within Israel, but among the surrounding nations and welcomed those who repented. The story of Jonah demonstrates this in detail (Jonah 1:1-2). While in exile, Daniel preached the sovereignty of the God of Israel to the leaders of Babylon. The Prophet



But if we as Jewish people keep our relationship with God to ourselves, what will bring this about? More than 1,000 years after Sinai, on the very same day of Shavuot, the followers of a young rabbi named Yeshua were gathered together in Jerusalem, likely in the Temple. Eyewitnesses reported that a sound like a rushing wind filled the space around them and flames of fire settled over them. Suddenly, they were given the ability to speak in other tongues/languages. The Jewish people who were there from all over the world were able to understand them.



Those Jews were astounded as they heard "the mighty works of God" declared. Over 3,000 of those who witnessed this event came to believe that Yeshua was the promised Messiah. Later, those believing Jews took the message of repentance and reconciliation with God back to their homes in Mesopotamia, Asia, Egypt, Libya, and Rome (Acts 2:5–12).

After that miracle on *Shavuot*, the gentile nations began to be reconciled to the Creator of the world through the Jewish Messiah and the Jewish people. Finally, the mission of the Jewish nation was being fully realized.

One of the young men who experienced this historic Shavuot later wrote, "That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our own eyes, which we have gazed upon and touched with our own hands — this is the Word of life" (1 John 1:1). Starting at Mount Sinai, God has always revealed Himself and His Word to us through our ears, eyes, hands, and hearts. Have you experienced Him?

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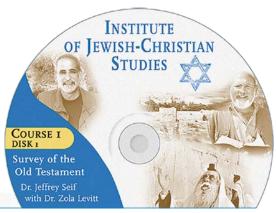
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Conquest of Canaan retraces the steps of the Israelites as they entered the Promised Land in 1406 B.C. This series considers Satan's innumerable attempts throughout history to dominate Canaan with world-devouring kingdoms. While filming from the Jordan Valley to Judea and Samaria, we dissected ancient battlefields and unveiled the evidence of God's divine intervention to uphold His Covenant Promise to Abraham.

This was some of the most challenging location footage to obtain, as the "West Bank" today has become a very volatile area. We needed a retinue from the Israel

Above left: Caleb and Joshua on Mars Hill in Athens Above: Inside one of the Tholos tombs in Mycenae, Greece

Defense Forces (IDF) to reach locations like ancient Hebron and Joshua's Altar on Mount Ebal near Nablus. Even our brave soldiers, however, refused to escort us to Tel Sebastia — ancient Samaria — so we elected to go it alone, despite the IDF's dissuasion.

Later, long-forgotten Biblical sites in Jordan erupted in political turmoil when

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the Jordanian government banned us — under penalty of imprisonment — from teaching the Bible at "their" sacred sites. They claimed that we were Jewish occupiers who planned to lead an Israeli rebellion to "steal" the land. Thankfully, God provided a way for us to film, thanks to an occasional bribe and some daring camera angles.

Filming for Paul vs. the gods took us to ancient sites in Greece. The Apostle Paul's missionary journeys were characterized by countless conflicts with the patron deity



The Acropolis in Greece

(fallen angel principality) of every town he visited. By considering Paul's tactics in confronting the culture of his time.

modern Believers* can discover how to combat the re-branded gods of our day. Although Greece today asserts that their state religion is the Greek Orthodox Church, we found disturbing evidence of their reverence for ancient Hellenistic paganism. Furthermore, dark spiritual forces continually tried to halt our filming at long-decimated temples of the gods. Throughout Greece we also saw rampant anti-Semitism expressed in graffiti and signage, and we encountered pro-Gaza, anti-Israel protests on the streets of Athens.

From the earliest pages in Genesis, Satan has schemed to stop the Seed of the woman from crushing the seed of the serpent (Gen. 3:15). But as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be at the return of the Son of Man (Matt. 24:37). In *Return of the Nephilim*, we uncover the mystery behind the Nephilim, the origin of all false religions, and Satan's plot to use the Beast as His genetic seed to deceive the nations. Filming this series required us to journey across five coun-

tries, in some of the most difficult-to-reach areas, where devils would commit the vilest crimes against humanity. Our travels included an ascent to the summit of Mount Hermon — recently acquired by the IDF — which gave us access to Israel's land that was once held captive by Syria and Lebanon.

We have never experienced such intense spiritual and physical opposition to filming during our entire careers. The demonic attacks escalated as the weeks continued

— with each day's obstacles becoming more and more difficult. But we didn't fight and overcome by our own strength and power alone. Thankfully, God spared us from near-arrest many times throughout our journey. He intervened at every border crossing when countries tried to halt our advance — including in Syria, which required an epic smuggling scheme.

We also received His supernatural assistance when we became lost in the pitch black of the Golan Heights, after hiking many miles to the infamous Gilgal Rephaim. Even when crew members were injured due to accidents on sharp jagged rocks or packs of wild hyenas encircled us, God led us safely through the treacherous landscape to our relocated passenger bus.

We especially want to say "thank you" to everyone who followed our progress on social media, supported us financially, and prayed for our safe return. Ministry is a team sport; we could never have succeeded without the "two or more" who have partnered with Zola Levitt Ministries in spreading the Gospel of Yeshua.

Love in Messiah,

Joshua and Caleb



A Note from Mark

Whale Whisperer Aspirations

In the drama/romance movie *The Horse Whisperer* (1998), actordirector Robert Redford portrayed Tom Booker. Tom was a Montana rancher, gifted equestrian, and mystically talented horse healer. Asked to help with a horse problem, the beguiling cowboy replied, "The truth is, I help horses with people problems."

Rather than imagining I'm a "numbers whisperer," I've learned enough about how numbers work that they speak to me. (No, not in tongues — ha!) In fact, numbers can virtually scream what should be obvious — even to someone who is in denial. For several years, and last year especially, ZLM's financial statements were all but yelling that our multi-year, downward revenue trend was perilously unstoppable.

The paragraphs above are from the May 2019 Levitt Letter Note from Mark, entitled, "A Numbers Whisperer?" Today I'm here to tell you that the figures didn't lie. It is thanks in large part to major gifts and two bequests that this ministry remains afloat. Let me explain and ask two favors of you.

Are you aware of this ministry's stellar stewardship credentials? ZLM is ECFA approved and has Charity Navigator's top rating of 4 stars, plus Ministry Watch's Give With Confidence Score of 100. Not only do we carefully steward your contributions, we also steadily put them to use rather than hoarding them.



Some larger, better funded ministries harbor years' worth of reserves and score lower ratings at MinistryWatch. com than ours.² Do they do that for their management's peace of mind? Won't huge, post-Rapture war chests be embarrassing evidence of missed ministerial opportunities?

It is by running "lean and mean" that our ministry 1) impresses those who scrutinize our efficiency and 2) maximizes our effectiveness in fulfilling The Great Commission (Matt. 28:19–20). For several reasons, however, progressively fewer donors are stepping up to support our outreach over and above sending us "attaboys." The logical explanation for this ongoing trend is that wealth is increasingly concentrated among society's top 10%.

According to the World Inequality Database, the top 10% of households own 76% of the world's wealth. In the U.S., the top 10% hold approximately 69% of total household wealth. Consequently, our ministry, along with comparable non-profit organizations, relies increasingly on the fortunate minority to disproportionately subsidize our Bible teaching that edifies and blesses the other 90%, even while they give all they reasonably can.

One example of the fortunate 10% relates to those who receive required minimum distributions (RMDs) from their IRAs and 401(k)s — and pay taxes



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on those distributions, even though they don't particularly need them. Some of those same recipients turn around and graciously donate portions of their after-tax proceeds to this ministry.

Taxwise, it would be smarter to donate directly from those funds to this outreach, thereby legally avoiding those income taxes. Doing so is as easy as advising their retirement fund administrators to send the distributions straight to our account at Vanguard.

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Designating this ministry as a beneficiary of your IRA or 401(k) (Favor #1) would enable you to retain your spending power while alive and then legally avoid whatever remaining deferred income and capital gains taxes would have accrued because 501(c)(3) non-profit charities like us are exempt from paying such taxes. Updating your accounts' beneficiaries is faster and easier than creating or changing your will (Favor #2). Would you kindly go ahead and make this ministry a beneficiary of one

or more of your accounts and/or your will?

Have you heard of "The 4% Rule"? It is a retirement planning guideline for calculating a sustainable annual withdrawal from retirement when you have a broadly diversified investment portfolio. The idea is that withdrawing 4% per year, while adjusting annually for inflation, is 90% likely to provide a stable income stream throughout a 30-year period. Thus, it stands to reason that a 3%-per-year rate of withdrawal would be sustainable indefinitely.

Consequently, would you agree that if you could live off 3% per year of your retirement savings (along with Social Security and other income sources), then everything above that is gravy? By *gravy*, I mean discretionary funds that you could easily afford to sow into our work for the Lord.

Financial columnist Scott Burns wrote an article titled, "Giving: Now, Later, or After?" You can read its highlights on pages 12–13 of the March 2022 Levitt Letter. Burns notes that "Someday Philanthropists" are usually over 70 with no pressing need to provide for immediate family. He suggests becoming a "now-ist" — giving away some of your nest egg now while you can witness the results.

Las Vegas casinos treasure "whales."
These are high-stakes gamblers who stand out for wagering remarkable amounts of money that most others simply can't. Now I'm hoping that this message will inspire a whale of a contribution from a ZLM donor who, like two recent oversized benefactors, will help keep us afloat for many others (multitudes actually) who depend on the fine teaching they receive from ZLM but need it to remain "free."



¹ https://www.levitt.com/newsletters/2019-05.pdf

² https://db.ministrywatch.com/compare.php

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Zionism in the New Testament Part 1

By Dr. Bill Adams BridgesForPeace.com



It is tragic to see how the events of October 7, 2023 — the worst atrocity committed against the Jewish people since the Holocaust — unleashed a tsunami of anti-Semitism instead of support and solidarity. Still, many who stand so firmly against Israel deny the charge of anti-Semitism, claiming they are merely anti-Zionistic.

Zionism is the belief that the Jewish people have a right to their ancestral homeland, the Biblical Land of Israel — in much the same way as the French people have a right to France and the Chinese to China. Anti-Zionism then is the belief that the Jewish people have no right to the Biblical Land of Israel as their ancestral homeland, that the rebirth of the modern State of Israel was unjust, and that Israel thus doesn't have a right to exist.

Rabbi Ari Abramowitz stated, "Naturally, Jews focus on Jewish Zionism and Christians focus on Christian Zionism, but there's really one Zionism to focus on, and that's Biblical Zionism."

For Christians to be authentic Biblical Zionists, we must be well versed in both the front and back of the Book. Christian scholars have studied the Old Testament extensively and compiled various resources in Biblical support for the Jewish return to Zion and the gentile role in that process. Since the New Testament could use closer inspection on the matter of Zionism, let's go on a short Bible exploration to search out Christian Zionism in its pages.

"Arise, take the young Child and His mother, and go to the land of Israel..." (Matt. 2:20a).

An angel of the Lord gave this instruction to Joseph, Jesus' (Yeshua's) father, as the family sheltered in Egypt. Note where Joseph was directed to go — not to "Palestine," but to "the land of Israel." This spotlights Heaven's definition of the territory.

Then consider Jesus, the Jewish exile, fleeing Herod's murderous rampage against the baby boys of Bethlehem. Yet after Herod's death, the family returned to Israel, presenting a prototype of Jesus' people who would be driven out by the Romans, later to be returned by God in an era of Christian blessing and cooperation.

As Christian Zionists, we echo the angel's message to Joseph when we exhort our fellow Christians to "go to the land of Israel." A tour to Israel is not a vacation but a life-changing encounter with the God of Israel Who is regathering His people to His Land. Many Christians arrive as tourists and depart as Zionists with a mission to serve the Jewish people as they return from exile.

His Earthly Family

"And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me" (Matt. 25:40).

When Jesus returns as "the King," He will call nations (Matt. 25:32) to account in His judgment. He won't judge based on beliefs but on works, specifically about how the nations (plural, gentiles) treated His nation whom He holds dear as "His brethren."

The Christian Zionist plays a key role in determining his or her nation's fate. Through our consistent Biblical message to the nations and our holy actions toward the vulnerable of God's nation (Israel), we set a standard of right conduct and inspire others to join us. Our duty becomes our honor to serve Jesus' Earthly family.



Declaring the Shema

Jesus answered him, "The first of all the commandments is: 'Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one. And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment. And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself'" (Mark 12:29–31a).

Every Christian knows the priority that Jesus places on loving the Lord and your neighbor, but are we aware of the context of the command? Jesus recited the prayer that is foremost on the heart and mind of every Jew — the Shema: "Hear O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one" (Deut. 6:4).

This is also the hallmark of the Christian Zionist — fulfilling Jesus' command to love

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in the context of declaring Israel's one, true, living God. Sadly, Church fathers banned Christians from reciting the *Shema*, calling it "anti-Trinitarian." How strange, considering how highly One person of the Trinity valued it. Christian Zionists correct that theology every time we declare Israel's God who is One, while loving our Jewish neighbors as ourselves

All Things Tanakh

"Then He said to them, 'These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me''' (Luke 24:44).

Both Jewish people and Christian Zionists uphold our founding document: the Bible. Jews call the Hebrew Scriptures the Tanakh,

an acronym of the first Hebrew letter of each of the Bible's three traditional subdivisions:

Torah (Gen.—Deut.), Nevi'im ("Prophets") and Ketuvim ("Writings"). Jesus called it the same thing, although it has been translated as "the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms." The point is that Jesus affirmed its canonicity and authority when He declared that all things written in it must be fulfilled.

In Acts 3:21, Peter also preached about upholding "all things" of the *Tanakh*, while Paul professed to "...believing all things which are written in the Law and in the Prophets" (Acts 24:14b). The "all things" include gentiles who would someday help bring Israel home, comfort them, and aid them in restoring Zion for God's glory. The restoration is established in the Old Testament, affirmed in the New Testament, and is now coming to fulfillment before our eyes. 🌣

The Holocaust DVD Set Six programs on two DVDs

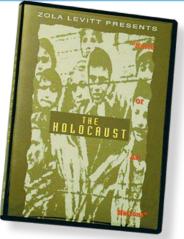
Selected from our Signs of the End series, these six programs cover the most tragic event in history. Zola Levitt and his crew report on the awful Holocaust through hard-hitting interviews and an on-location taping at Dachau Concentration Camp near Munich, Germany.

They Survived Includes interviews with Holocaust survivors Dr. Fric Kulka and Efraim Zuroff, Dr. Tom McCall also interviews the head of research at Israel's Yad Vashem Holocaust History Museum and the director of the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Jerusalem.

An Eyewitness at Dachau A visit to Dachau Concentration Camp near Munich, Includes interviews with Dachau survivor Bikolas Lehner and with an American eyewitness who visited the camp just after the war in 1946.

A Spy Among Neo-Nazis An interview in Israel with Yaron Svoray, investigative reporter and spy. He gives background regarding the motivations of his mission to go undercover for eight months among neo-Nazis in Germany.

Nazis Today Zola continues his interview with Yaron Svoray. Yaron shows photos that he took of neo-Nazis during his undercover



mission — evidence about which the German government has done nothing.

Two Rabbis Includes interviews with Rabbi Stan Eisenberg in Fort Worth and Rabbi David Rosen in Jerusalem. Two rabbis in different hemispheres share a common concern about anti-Semitism.

Righteous Gentiles Jeane Kirkpatrick, former U.S. Ambassador to the UN, shares her concern for political support by all democracies for the State of Israel. Pam Rosewell Moore, who was Corrie ten Boom's companion and secretary, reveals some special insights into Corrie's survival during the Holocaust.





Happy Birthday to you and yours! I refer of course to Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. My recent Pentecost observance was very unusual this year. I was invited to a small church in Humble, Texas, which honors Israel in very meaningful ways, singing Hebrew songs and presenting authentic Israeli dancing. I was very gratified to tell the story of Peter's mighty sermon in Acts 2 to that particular congregation.

The church was so small that the pastor elected to hold an outdoor service on the front lawn — very appropriate to this harvest festival — and a speaker's stand and chairs were set out in plain view of the highway. I had the impression that some people drifted in, and during my teaching some young men in a speeding pickup truck shouted, "I believe!" as they roared around a curb past our service. "Help me thou mine unbelief," I shouted back. But, anyway, we were a witness.

The world saw us where we worshiped, but I wonder if the Church really did. Pentecost Sunday had dawned with a rainstorm. As our afternoon service approached, there was some nervousness about the weather. The pastor called five different churches and asked if we might retreat to any of their auditoriums with our audience if latter rains came. In each case, he was turned down. One associate pastor quipped, "Of course not, Judaism

and Christianity don't mix." Rather like at the inn in Bethlehem, there was no room for the Believers in any of those churches in Humble, Texas.

It struck me that if Christianity and Judaism don't mix, Peter himself wouldn't have been able to preach in those churches on Pentecost Sunday, and I wonder if our Lord — the King of the Jews — has ever been there. We've come a long way since "the apostles and brethren that were in Judea, heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God" (Acts 11:1). When those Church fathers — all Jewish of course, as were the 3,000 Jews saved on the Jewish holiday of Pentecost at the Jewish Temple — gave some thought that gentiles had heard testimony of Christ, they reacted very differently from the associate pastor and "held their peace, and glorified God, saying, 'Then hath God also to the gentiles granted repentance unto life'" (Acts 11:18). The gentile Believers were perfectly welcome in their Jewish church.

If the Rapture comes soon, those pastors and their congregations will individually undergo a face-to-face interview (2 Cor. 5:10) with the One who said, "Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me" (Matt. 25:40). Would they have allowed our Jewish Savior to come in out of the rain?









Please see Zola's book *The Trouble with Christians, The Trouble with Jews* on p. 3.

Also see the study booklet and teaching CD *The Spirit of Pentecost* on p. 36.

Ask the Chaplain

What Does it Mean to be Born Again?

Dr. Todd Baker Zola Levitt Ministries Staff Theologian



Jesus used the term "born again" twice (John 3:3, 7) as He emphasized the necessity of spiritual rebirth for all humans. But how does this spiritual rebirth occur?

Belief in Jesus Christ is the sole requirement for being saved or born again (John 3:15, 16, 18, 36). When someone truly believes in Jesus Christ, he or she undergoes a radical spiritual and moral transformation that changes the way that person thinks, acts, and lives.

AllAboutReligion.org correctly states: "Being born again is having a change or transformation of the soul and heart by the work of God's Spirit. [Our] soul is the part of our being that consists of three things: the mind (or its disposition), emotions (feelings), and our will (what we determine). ... This spiritual makeover when we become a born again Christian is a change in the way we think, the way we manage our emotions, and choices we make by our will."

Theologians also use the term "spiritual regeneration" to describe receiving eternal life and being delivered from spiritual death and condemnation. Regeneration results in a new, Christ-centered nature for the Believer, as the Apostle Paul declared: "Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new" (2 Cor. 5:17).

This transformation invariably produces a life of Godliness and obedience to the Lord as evidence of this spiritual rebirth (James 2).

Humans need to be born again because everyone is born spiritually dead —

condemned and separated from the life of God (Rom. 5:12-21). Paul stated in Ephesians 2:1 that through the spiritual rebirth, Christ has given life to all who were formerly "dead in [their] trespasses and sins." This salvation — a gift of God's unmerited grace — is received through faith, not by works (Eph. 2:8-9; Titus 2:11; 3:5). Therefore, trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation brings God's cleansing from sin.

Jesus likened the cleansing power of the Holy Spirit to "water" in John 3:5. This does not refer to water baptism, as the Bible clearly teaches that salvation comes only by faith in Christ alone. Rather, water here represents the cleansing nature of the Holy Spirit, which was a common symbol in the Old Testament (Eze. 36:24-27; Isa. 32:15; 44:3-5). The Holy Spirit also uses the Word of God to accomplish spiritual rebirth: "... having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever" (1 Pet. 1:23). Thus, the power of the Holy Spirit, working together with the Word of God, enables a person to be born again through faith in Jesus Christ. This new birth is God's supernatural work (John 1:12-13).



Have you been born again? Do you know for certain that you will enter God's Kingdom and go to Heaven after you die or at the Rapture? Believe that Jesus came to save you from the consequences of your sin by dying on the Cross in your place so that God could forgive you. Repent of your former life of rebellion against God and trust in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ to save you. Ask God to give you His Holy Spirit to live in you and transform your life. 🌣





ShaliachReport

Proclaiming the Gospel in the Glorious Land

Dr. Todd Baker ZLM Staff Theologian TJF Team Leader

The 57th Gospel outreach to Israel began in March 2025 when August Rosado and I landed at Ben Gurion Airport in "the Glorious Land" (Dan. 11:16, 41). At the car rental desk, we met Gil, a young Jewish Israeli who was very open to our witness. We explained that the God of Israel fulfilled His promises to Israel



August, Gil, and Todd

when He sent His only Son — Yeshua the Messiah — to bring salvation to Israel and the nations, so that all who believe in Him will have eternal life. This was in accordance with what Moses

ponder, and discover Yeshua, Whom God gave as a sacrifice for our sins and rose from the dead for the justification and redemption of all who trust in Him (Rom. 5:8-11).





and the Prophets foretold in the Tanakh (See, for example, Gen. 3:15; Deut. 18:15; Isa. 7:14; 9:6; 40:10-11; 53.)

We also told Gil that God chose Israel to bring His Word and the message about Yeshua to us in a distant land. Therefore, now, the Lord sent us to bring it back to the land and people from whence it came. We gave Gil a complete Hebrew Bible, which includes the New Testament. In the Bible, Gil can read,

Orkan, the manager of our hotel's dining room. He told us he was originally from Turkey and had a mixed background of Muslim and us great favor with Orkan as we clarified some of the Messianic prophecies in the Jewish Scriptures. We Nazareth was the only One to fulfill these prophecies, which prove that He is the

Messiah who gives eternal life to all who believe in Him. Orkan gladly accepted a Hebrew Study Bible from us to complement the glorious Gospel we shared with him.

Please pray for Gil and Orkan, that they may experience eternal life through faith in Yeshua. We are grateful for your prayers and financial gifts to this ministry that help cover our expenses as we take the Good News to God's People in Israel. 🌣





ZLM Bulletin Board

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem

Anti-Zionist of the Month?

Rabbi Dr. Richard Gamboa Ben-Eleazar regularly takes to social media to denounce Zionist Jews as "Nazis" and "false Jews." Such was the subhead in a recent article in *The Jerusalem Post* titled, "Fake Rabbi Appointed Head of Colombia Religious Affairs Bought Title Online." His alma mater — the Esoteric Interfaith Theological Seminary — converts titles for ministers, shaman, Celtic druids, rabbis, and others for \$150. He holds a doctorate in theology from the Seminario Teológico Hebraico in Bolivia, which apparently exists only as a Facebook page. Taking several courses from t

only as a Facebook page. Taking several courses from this ministry's Institute of Jewish-Christian Studies (see p. 5) would certainly have been a wiser investment!



Richard Gamboa Ben-Eleazar

Do Israeli Lives Matter?

Aviel Wiseman, who had dual U.S.-Israeli citizenship, enlisted in the IDF in August 2023, just six weeks before the October 7 terror attack. The Messianic Jew completed his military training about 14 months after enlisting and participated in two missions. He was often seen alongside the captain of his unit, helping to analyze and plan upcoming operations. His teammates nicknamed him "the professor." He died at age 20 in a northern Gaza explosion on January 13, 2025. Aviel's dedication, intellect, and quiet leadership represent a life marked by a willingness to serve others and a commitment to integrity.

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"Your hands have made and fashioned me."
- Psalm 119:73



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It's been said that God sends each soul into the world with a special message to deliver, a revelation that only he or she can disclose. No one else can bring your message to this world — only you can do this. And since God is entirely unique, you are called to be who you were created to be, not someone else. On his deathbed, Reb Zusya said, "I am not afraid that the Holy One will ask me, 'Zusya, why were you not more like Moses?' Rather, I fear the Holy One will say, 'Zusya, why were you not more like Zusya?'"

George MacDonald wrote: "I would rather be what God chose to make me than the most glorious creature that I could think of; for to have been thought about, born in God's thought, and then made by God, is the dearest, grandest, and most precious thing in all thinking." Amen. We are God's workmanship in the Messiah; "by the grace of God I am what

I am" (χάριτι δὲ θεοῦ εἰμι ὅ εἰμι, 1 Cor. 15:10).

There are no insignificant people in God's eyes, since each soul has been created by the Lord for His glory and purposes. As C.S. Lewis noted in *The Weight of Glory*, "There are no 'ordinary' people. You have never talked to a mere mortal. Nations, cultures, arts, civilizations — these are mortal, and their life is to ours as the life of a gnat. But it is immortals whom we joke with, work with, marry, snub, and exploit — immortal horrors or everlasting splendors."



Life is a miracle and nothing is trivial. In the world to come, you will be shocked to understand that everything you thought, everything you said, and everything you did was given to you from above and thus has tremendous significance (Matt. 12:36–37). Therefore, may it please the Lord to open our hearts and eyes to truly come alive. Amen. \$\phi\$

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(GEORGE MACDONALD)

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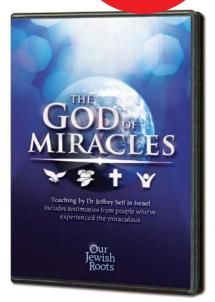


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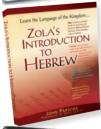
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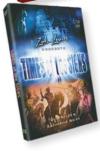












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Sons and Tribes The 12 sons of Jacob formed a nation set apart from the world. Zola visits the Upper Room where the Lord met with His 12 Apostles who would change the nations of the world with His message.

Out of Exile At The Holy Land Experience, Zola teaches about Moses, the reluctant leader who gave up his royal place in Egypt to lead the Hebrews to the Promised Land.

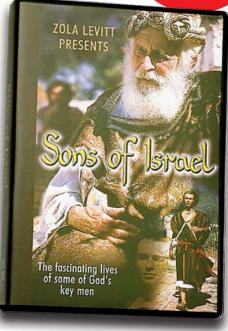
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Unto All Nations At the ruins of Emmaus, Zola chronicles how the Gospel spread through Paul and Peter and the other Apostles.

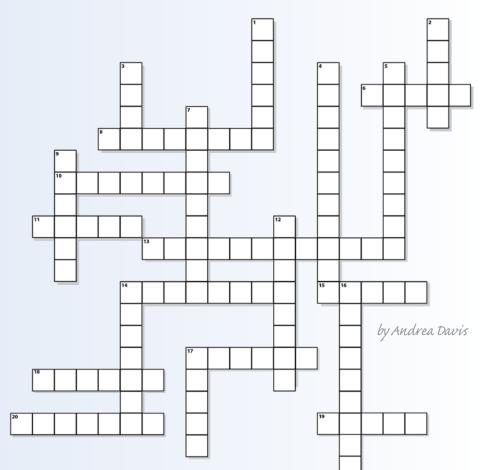






Crossword June 2025:

Shavuot / Pentecost (NKJV)



Across:

- Count __ days to the day after the seventh Sabbath...
 (Lev 23:16)
- 8. ...Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without a close __... (Ruth 4:14)
- 10. Speak to the __ of Israel, and say to them... (Lev. 23:10)
- 11. And suddenly there came a __ from Heaven... (Acts 2:2)
- 13. ...which you shall proclaim to be holy __... (Lev. 23:2)
- 14. So He declared to you His ____ which He commanded you to perform... (Deut. 4:13)
- 15. And you shall remember that you were a __ in Egypt... (Deut. 16:12)
- 17. ... All that the Lord has __ we will do... (Ex. 19:8)
- 18. And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another ___.. (John 14:16)
- ...He is the father of Jesse, the father of ___.
 (Ruth 4:17)
- 20. Behold, I send the __ of My Father upon you... (Luke 24:49)

Down:

- Your __ shall be my __, and your God, my God. (Ruth 1:16)
- 2. the Spirit of ___, whom the world cannot receive...
 (John 14:17)
- 3. And the Lord spoke to you out of the midst of the __... (Deut. 4:12)
- 4. ... They are the ___ to the Lord. (Lev. 23:17)
- 5. ...and you shall be ___ to Me in Jerusalem... (Acts 1:8)
- ...began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them ___. (Acts 2:4)
- When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one ___. (Acts 2:1)
- Then those who gladly received his word were ___...
 (Acts 2:41)
- 14. ...you shall not wholly reap the __ of your field when you reap... (Lev. 23:22)
- 16. ...everyone heard them speak in his own __. (Acts 2:6)
- ...on the same day, they came to the Wilderness of ___.
 (Ex. 19:1)

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Letters

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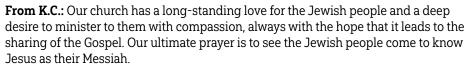
Josiah and the Last Reformation

From R.L.: I am almost finished with the book. Josiah and the Last Reformation. Caleb certainly tells it like it should be told! I gained some new knowledge from it and hope that many others get the chance to read it.

Shalom, R.L.,

I'm so glad you enjoyed my book, but most importantly, I hope that the Holy Spirit spoke to you through it. It's time for a new generation of Josiahs to rise up and stand for righteousness! —Love, Caleb

Proclaiming the Gospel in Israel



For over 20 years, we have supported a mission based in Jerusalem. While their work in serving the community is commendable, we've wondered if they are truly sharing the Gospel. It often feels like there is more focus on building rapport than actually delivering the life-giving message we long for others to hear.

As we've explored your ministry, we've been encouraged to see a clear emphasis on proclaiming the Gospel. We're reaching out to ask if you have any data, testimonies, or stories you could share regarding Jewish individuals coming to faith through your outreach. We'd love to hear how the Lord is moving through your ministry.

Thank you for your time and for the faithfulness of your work. Be encouraged as you continue to serve, and may peace and grace abound to you all.

Dear K.C.

A good place for you to begin reading stories about Jews coming to faith through our ministry would be Dr. Todd Baker's Levitt Letter reports on our decades-old To the Jew First outreach (Shaliach Report). In this issue, please see page 14. Aside from that, it is difficult to track how many saved and unsaved Jews watch our television broadcasts and/or peruse the newsletter and television archives at **Levitt.com**. This news magazine's Letters section frequently features questions and praise reports from saved and unsaved Jews alike. Often, our ministry is planting seeds that will germinate and blossom down the road. —Mark

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Don't Stop the Fun

From C.C.: Thank you for the Bearded Bible Brothers; I discovered them about two months ago. Since then, I have learned more through their scholarship and humor than from any other television program.

I read a recent *Levitt Letter* about some people's objection to some of their silliness, and I'm asking that the fun continue. It expresses the joy that's in their hearts and in no way takes away from the serious message of the Word. My father and grandfather were highly intelligent men who teased me, as well as put fun into work. They made the bad times better because they would bring laughter — along with compassion and reasoning.

I carried that tactic on throughout my work as a nurse. It lightened the burdens of some who had very serious illnesses, if only for a moment, as I coaxed patients to laugh. Often, they realized that if the nurse can find fun even in all this, maybe the circumstances aren't so bad after all — maybe I can dare to experience some joy.

When I watch the Bearded Bible Brothers, I look into their eyes and see radiating joy and love. Their humor is a part of their very personable selves. I don't believe it takes away from the message at all. I hope there will be a lot of laughter in Heaven.

Please let the fun continue. Josh reminds me of Dad and Grandpa, while Caleb hits the message home by explaining things so clearly and knowledgeably. It's clear that they both love the Lord and us TV viewers. They have God's truth to share as the wonderfully unique men that they are.

Shalom C.C.,

Thank you for the kind words. Caleb's wife is a nurse, so we understand where you're coming from. Personally, we can't help but be who God made us. So don't worry; we will continue to teach the Gospel of Yeshua from a Jewish, and sometimes silly perspective. —Love, Joshua and Caleb



Why Aren't Bible Versions Identified?

From R.O.: I enjoy the *Levitt Letter*, but it does concern me that of all the Bible verses quoted, I cannot find a reference to the Bible version used. Please do your faithful readers the service of being upfront about your quoted Bible version. Thank you for taking the time to read my message.

Dear R.O.,

We don't have a "standard" Bible version for verses and passages quoted in the *Levitt Letter*. Zola usually quoted from the KJV, and I don't change those quotes. Our staff theologian and To the Jew First missionary Dr. Todd Baker typically quotes from NKJV. John Parsons, the writer of our monthly Hebrew Lesson (see p. 16) translates his own, which is closer to ESV or NASB. Caleb and Joshua might quote from NIV and/or other translations. Sarah, our correspondent in Israel, also uses NIV in the *Personal Letter*. Finally, the articles we use from various online sources typically quote from other Bible translations including the TLV, CJB, CSB, or RSV.

It's also a challenge when someone cites a verse from memory or quotes from their "older" leather and paper Bible (like my 1985 NIV), because the updated version online (such as at **BibleGateway.com**) sometimes has slightly different wording!

While we verify all Scripture citations that appear in the *Levitt Letter*, I often don't include the version because space is tight. Certainly, I could add the appropriate Bible version to any quotation in the *Levitt Letter*, and some other people might also appreciate knowing what version we quoted. Even so, it could give others reason to reject an article or the *LL* because we didn't use their Bible version of choice. —Editor

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Roadmap to Armageddon - #2 The Rapture on YouTube

From T.S.: Well, brothers I just found you guys, and I have a question: When other people bring up John Darby, how can I encourage those who have given up hope? Shalom, T.S.,

When you witness to others about the Rapture, there is typically a spiritual block that brings opposition about the truth of God's love to spare Yeshua's Bride. It doesn't matter how many facts and Scriptures you present; their hearts are hardened by the enemy.

Therefore, we recommend praying to have those blinders removed before taking on these topics. Although most individuals claim that John Darby was the originator of the Rapture doctrine, there is much evidence to the contrary. At the end of the episode on the Rapture, we spoke to our friend Lee Brainard with Soothkeep Ministries. He is one of the greatest resources for information concerning the early Church fathers who taught about the Rapture in the first century AD.

We also invite you to check out our other videos concerning the *Harpazo* and share them with others who might be discouraged. We unload a lot of Scripture — from Paul to Yeshua — concerning this blessed hope. Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God (Rom. 10:17). Becoming inundated in the Word and listening to other likeminded Believers preach the Word will always be a tremendous source of encouragement. —Blessings, Joshua and Caleb

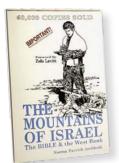
Is Israel Cursed?

From M.F.: You can't be serious; the Jews killed Jesus Christ, King of kings. Israel is cursed by God and no longer in His favor. And you will be judged.

Shalom, M.F.,

It's true that we Jews killed Yeshua, but so did you. It was all of humanity's sins collectively that motivated our Messiah to be nailed to the Cross. In fact, John 10:17–18 declares that Yeshua Himself laid down His life. No one could have killed Him if they tried. He chose to surrender His life and to raise it back up.

On the subject of judgment, the Jews will never be judged for the sin of "killing" Yeshua. Luke 23:34 shows Him interceding for the Jews (and Romans) so that they would be forgiven. Finally, Romans 11:11–12 reminds us that Israel is not cursed, cast away, or rejected by God. The Lord's Covenant will remain with His people — just as He cannot break His covenant with true Christians. —Love, Joshua and Caleb \$\Phi\$



The Mountains of Israel book by Norma Archbold

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Once Zola's guest on TV, Archbold presents a refreshing perspective on the Arab-Israeli conflict, especially for those who have studied Israel from a Scriptural view. Enlightening maps, illustrations, charts, and references provide a geographical orientation to the war game of all eternity.

Readers will find eye-opening quotes from witnesses who were in the Holy Land during the $18^{\rm th}$ and $19^{\rm th}$ centuries. Their descriptions charac-

terize Israel as a treeless, barren wasteland before the Jewish people's return. Equally helpful to gentiles and Jews, *The Mountains of Israel* remains valuable reading since it is presented from a Biblical point of view — God's Word and His plan, of course, remain unchanged.





Actress Gal Gadot received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame in March to honor her decade and a half of work in films like *Wonder Woman* and the *Fast & Furious* series. But the ceremony for one of Hollywood's highest-paid actresses and the mom of four quickly turned into a political protest.

More than two dozen pro-Palestinian demonstrators disrupted the occasion. They chanted throughout the event, with some holding signs: "Heroes Fight Like Palestinians" and "Viva Viva Palestina." After one protester took an Israeli flag, someone called the police.

Gadot is originally from Israel. She won the Miss Israel pageant in 2004, then represented the country in the Miss Universe competition. Afterward, she served as a combat trainer in the Israel Defense Forces (IDF). She noted that her work was "demanding," but she enjoyed giving back to the community.

The actress is proud of her home country, where she has a home in Tel Aviv. Though not involved in politics, Gadot has been vocal in supporting Israel, especially after Hamas's atrocities on October 7, 2023. She's especially outspoken on behalf of the hostages who were taken on that day. "I am using my platform to share their faces, their names, and to tell the world what is happening," she wrote on Instagram in the days following the attack.

Gadot stars in the controversial *Snow* White movie. While her 24-year-old co-

star, Rachel Zegler, is outspoken about her anti-Trump, pro-Palestine politics, Gadot thinks that it's silly for celebrities to share their political opinions.

"I don't talk politics — because who cares about the celebrity talking about politics? I'm an artist. I want to entertain people. I want to bring hope and be a beacon of light whenever I say anything about the world," Gadot stated in a March interview with *Variety*.



In that interview, she stated that everything changed for her on October 7, 2023.

On October 7th, when people were abducted from their homes ... I could not be silent. I was shocked by the amount of hate, by the amount of how much people think they know when they actually have no idea, and also by how the media is not fair many times.

I'm not a hater. I'm a grandchild of a Holocaust survivor who came to Israel and established his family from scratch after his entire family was erased in Auschwitz. On the other side of my family, I'm eighth generation Israeli. I'm an indigenous person of Israel.

I am all about humanity, and I felt like I had to advocate for the hostages.

"I know what I wish for the world. I am praying for better days for all," Gadot noted. "I want everybody to have good life, prosperity, and the ability to raise their children in a safe environment."

Science in Israel

N.R.G. now aims to build a fully functioning

prototype. If the researchers succeed, their

miniature device could revolutionize the

Metatron N.R.G. is among dozens of com-

nuclear fusion in small-scale reactors, but

it alone has overcome significant technical

hurdles to do so using micro-entities called

"This is a transformational invention," said

Yeshayahu Eisenberg, CEO and co-founder

stability challenges, we are paving the way

for small-scale fusion reactors that could

physics from Israel's Weizmann Institute

of Science and completed a postdoctoral

Conventional, large-scale fusion initiatives

cost billions of dollars and involve decades

of research. Metatron, however, is devel-

oping desktop-sized reactors designed to

offer a cost-effective, scalable alternative

to fossil fuels that could one day power

of the company. "By solving the core

revolutionize energy generation."

Eisenberg has a PhD in high-energy

fellowship at Princeton's Institute for

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Building a Desktop Nuclear Reactor

By John Jeffay Israel21c.org



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to replicate the violent and extreme conditions of the sun and stars, Metatron is using plasmoids — tangled bundles of super-hot charged gas (plasma) held together by magnetic fields.

These plasmoids are generally too unstable to use for nuclear fusion, but Metatron says its breakthrough is in generating new types of stable plasmoids that can effectively catalyze fusion (via the quantum mechanical effect known as tunnelling).

This leap forward is comparable to the invention of transistors for radios and electronics in 1947 to replace larger, more expensive and less reliable vacuum tubes.

Plasmoid-based fusion "opens the doors to a novel kind of small fusion reactor, comparable in size to a desktop computer," the company stated. "After three years of research and development, we have achieved ongoing fusion events in the lab, establishing the proof of concept for this novel approach.

"Our current efforts focus on enhancing what we have already achieved to establish a fully functioning nuclear fusion reactor capable of directly generating electric power."

The company has developed a unique form of nuclear fusion, which is considered the holy grail of energy sources.

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Nuclear fusion — the high-pressure, high-temperature reaction that heats the sun — releases far more energy than nuclear fission, the process currently used to generate nuclear energy. Fusion also

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Metatron N.R.G. co-founders Clara Szalai (VP R&D) and CEO Dr. Yeshayahu Eisenberg

Medicine in Israel

Researchers Activate Dormant Bone Marrow Cells for Transplants

By Gali Raz JewishBusinessNews.com

and the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center

An international research team led by Israeli scientists has developed a ground-breaking method to activate and expand adult stem cells from human bone marrow outside the body. This innovation has the potential to revolutionize bone

marrow regeneration and aid in rebuilding the blood and immune system. It could significantly enhance transplant success rates for cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy, individuals with genetic disorders. and those in need of bone marrow transplants who

in Seattle. The findings were published in the peer-reviewed journal Nature Immunology.
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lack sufficient donor stem cells.

Stem cells are special cells in the body that have the remarkable ability to develop into many different cell types, from muscle cells to brain cells. They could be considered as the body's raw material, ready to specialize and take on various functions, including repairing damaged tissues.



Dr. Tomer Itkin

The research was led by **Dr**. **Tomer Itkin**from the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences at Tel Aviv
University and the Sagol Center for Regenerative

Medicine at Sheba Medical Center.
The study also included contributions
from researchers at leading medical
institutions including the Weill Cornell
Medical College and Hospital in New York,
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center,
the University of Toronto Medical Center,

responsible for activating stem cells in the immune and blood systems. These stem cells exhibit high activity when sourced from umbilical cord blood but are typically dormant in adult bone marrow donors. By leveraging modified mRNA technology, the team successfully "awakened" these dormant adult stem cells, enabling controlled division without increasing cancer risk.

"This new method significantly expands the available pool of stem cells for transplantation without relying on rare bone marrow donors," Itkin noted. "Additionally, the method can be used to treat patients whose stem cells have undergone genetic correction — such as those with thalassemia and hereditary anemia — as well as patients who have undergone multiple rounds of chemotherapy and have an insufficient number of stem cells for autologous transplantation."

This breakthrough could pave the way for safer, more effective bone marrow transplants, offering new hope to millions worldwide.

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The Bibas Deniers



A memorial to the Bibas family in Tel Aviv's Hostages Square

There are Holocaust-deniers, who claim that accounts of the Nazi genocide are all a hoax. There are October 7 deniers, who say that Hamas did not commit any atrocities during its 2023 invasion. Now it seems that a new type of denier is emerging — the Bibas deniers.

Killers and their cheerleaders hope to obscure their crimes in a mass of impersonal statistics. It's hard for the public to identify with millions of victims. But focusing on one or two individuals, with names and faces, dramatizes their suffering in a real and immediate way. That's why the story of Anne Frank is so compelling. And that's why the murders of four-year-old Ariel Bibas and his nine-month-old brother, Kfir, by Palestinian Arab terrorists has become such a problem for Israel's enemies.

"Anne Frank's baby brothers," as the human rights scholar Thane Rosenbaum has aptly described them, are no longer part of an anonymous body count. The brutal murder of the two little boys in Gaza has come to symbolize the horrors of October 7 the same way the story of the young girl hiding in an attic in Amsterdam has come to symbolize the Holocaust.

Haters of Israel understand that publicizing the truth about the Bibas murders generates sympathy for Israel and undermines the Palestinian Arab cause. That's why they are trying to deny, or at least minimize, the Bibas killings.

The denial campaign is being led by Hamas itself — at least in its statements to the outside world. Hamas spokesmen claim the boys were killed in an Israeli air strike. Israeli forensic experts who examined the children's bodies found that in fact they were murdered with the terrorists' bare hands. Afterwards the bodies were mutilated in a transparent attempt to disguise what had been done.

Who to believe? On the one hand, there are medical professionals who were trained in respected educational institutions. On the other hand, there is an international terrorist group that calls the Holocaust a hoax and claims that *The Protocols of the Elders of Zion* is genuine. *The Protocols* is actually quoted in the Hamas charter, a fact that illustrates Hamas's fealty to the truth.

For the emerging class of Bibas deniers, the truth doesn't matter. All that matters is how to absolve the killers and harm Israel.



By Rafael Medoff JewishJournal.com



The French politician and European Parliament member Rina Hassan tweeted that the Bibas children actually were killed by the Israelis. She reiterated that claim in a radio interview, in which she added that "Hamas has a legitimate cause."

Omar Dajani, a law professor at the University of the Pacific, in California, recently retweeted a message asserting it is "unclear" whether Israel or Hamas killed the Bibas children. That's like saying it is "unclear" whether the Nazis killed Jews or they died from other causes.

Another way to help Hamas escape responsibility is the "everybody does it" approach. **Zaid Tyam**, who is stationed in The Hague as the representative of Fatah — the Palestinian Authority's ruling faction — said on Egyptian television in March that Israel is in no position to accuse Hamas of abusing hostages such as the Bibas children, because Israel itself has "abused" the families of imprisoned terrorists by not releasing them sooner.

Meanwhile, Whoopi Goldberg, co-host of ABC Television's *The View*, disrupted comments by one of her colleagues about the Bibas children.

Goldberg asserted

that while many people say, "Hamas is the bad guy," that is not the whole story. "But what happened to Russia?" Goldberg asked. "Is Russia not bad with all they've been doing?"

Challenged by her co-hosts, Goldberg continued: "My point is, when do we stop saying it's these folks or these folks? ... This is what the enemy does to children. This is what the enemy does to children in Africa. This is what the enemy does to

children all over the world because they're the enemy. ... What's happening, y'all?"

Others have different ways of trying to distract attention from the Bibas children. At the University of Michigan, students painted a large boulder in orange with the names of Ariel, Kfir, and their mother, Shiri. Pro-Hamas vandals promptly used spray paint to cover their names with the words "Free Palestine" and Hamas symbols.

Ironically, many average Gazans are not denying the Bibas murders — they've been celebrating them. Hamas held a public ceremony in the town of Khan Yunis, at which the Bibas children's little coffins were displayed, just before they were handed over to Israel (in exchange for the release of killers of other Israeli children). Large, joyous crowds gathered at the scene. Families relaxed on lawn chairs, played music, and sang songs. Sweets were distributed; hookah pipes were puffed. Fathers lifted their children for a better view of the coffins, in a scene



Shiri Bibas (center) and her sons Ariel, 4, (left) and baby Kfir (right)

eerily reminiscent of the crowds that cheered the lynchings of African-Americans in the old South.

Like Holocaust deniers, the Bibas deniers come in different

varieties, but they are all part of the same team: the killers, the cheerleaders, the deniers, the minimizers. They all share the same agenda — to hurt the Jews.

The appropriate way to deal with Bibas deniers is the same way decent people deal with Holocaust deniers: ostracize them. The Constitution protects their right to engage in hate speech. But it does not obligate anybody to offer them platforms. \diamondsuit





Eli Sharabi at the United Nations Security Council meeting in New York on March 20, 2025

Former Hostage Tells UN About "Hell" in Gaza Tunnels

By Chris Mitchell / CBN.com

One Israeli hostage has made a journey from a Hamas terror tunnel underneath Gaza to a speaker's platform at the United Nations Security Council. Eli Sharabi testified to the world in March about what it was like as a Hamas hostage for nearly 500 days.

The former captive declared, "My name is Eli Sharabi. I'm 53 years old. I've come back from hell. I've returned to tell my story."

He continued, "I cannot begin to describe the agony. It was hell. I was fed a piece of pita a day. Maybe a sip of tea. Hunger consumed everything. They beat me. They broke my ribs. I didn't care. I just wanted a piece of bread."

In captivity, Sharabi hoped to rebuild his life with his wife and two daughters. However, upon his return to Israel, he discovered that Hamas had murdered them on October 7, 2023. He also testified that Hamas stole the humanitarian aid the world sent to Gaza.

"I saw Hamas terrorists carrying boxes with the UN and UNRWA emblems on them into the tunnels, dozens and dozens of boxes, paid for by your government."

Israeli U.N. Ambassador Danny Danon chastised the UN with blistering declarations.

"For 530 days, you erased the hostages. You have spoken about Gaza without mentioning the crimes of Hamas. You have debated humanitarian assistance without acknowledging the humanitarian crimes Hamas is deliberately inflicting on the hostages. You have the audacity to talk about a ceasefire without demanding that those held in Hamas's terror tunnels be freed."



"Dry Bones" Cartoonist Yaakov Kirschen Dies at 87

By Steve Linde / JNS.org

Israeli cartoonist Yaakov Kirschen passed away in April after a lengthy illness. He was 87.

After making aliyah [immigrating to Israel] in 1971, the Brooklyn-born Kirschen began sketching his trademark "Dry Bones" cartoons in 1973. The cartoon was internationally syndicated and published in *The Jerusalem Post* for 50 years, after which it moved to JNS.com.

Speaking of the cartoon, Kirschen once explained: "I named it Dry Bones, thinking





that everyone would immediately connect the name with the 'dry bones' that will rise again, from the Book of Ezekiel. But the question that I get asked most often is 'Where does the name 'Dry Bones' come from?' So, what I thought would be most obvious was not obvious at all."

Dry Bones cademy

Yaakov Kirschen at the drawing board in his home.

A member of the U.S. National Cartoonists Society and the Israeli Cartoonists Society, Kirschen won several awards and was considered a "national treasure of the Jewish people."

He is survived by his artist wife, Sali Ariel, as well as three daughters, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Israeli Toddler Finds 3,800-Year-Old Scarab

IsraFan.com

In a moment of childhood curiosity turned historic discovery, 3-year-old Ziv Nitzan unearthed a 3,800-year-old Canaanite scarab while on a family outing near Tel Azekah in central Israel. This archaeological site is linked to the Biblical battle between David and Goliath.

The Nitzan family was walking along a trail when young Ziv spotted what looked like a stone. Her sister. Omer, noted: "Out of all

the stones around her, she picked up this one. When she rubbed off the sand, we saw that it looked different."

What Ziv found was not just a rock, but a remarkably preserved scarab amulet dating back to the Middle Bronze Age. Dr. Daphna Ben-Tor, a leading expert in an-

> cient seals, confirmed that the artifact is a Canaanite scarab, likely used as both a seal and an amulet during a time when such objects symbolized religious beliefs and social status

Scarabs like this one were common in graves, homes, and temples, often reflecting Egypt's cultural influence over Canaan during the second millennium BC. Tel Azekah, where the scarab was found,



has been under excavation for 15 years and continues to yield evidence of its significance during the Middle and Late Bronze Ages.



Ziv displays the scarab

"The scarab Ziv found is part of a long list of Egyptian and Canaanite artifacts discovered here," said Prof. Oded Lipschits of Tel Aviv University, who directs the excavation. "It illustrates the strong cultural ties between Canaan and Egypt in that era."

Archaeology

Archaeologists Confirm Site of Battle of Armageddon in Northern Israel AllIsrael.co

Israeli archaeologists have
discovered
what they
believe
constitutes
the first
archaeological evidence
of the epic
Biblical battle
between Judean
King Josiah and the
Egyptian Pharaoh
Necho II.

The battle occurred in Megiddo in northern Israel, as recorded in 2 Kings 23:29–30 and 2 Chronicles 35:20–24. It is the same general location as

the prophesied Battle

of Armageddon in the Book of Revelation.

"Megiddo is the only site in Israel and the neighboring countries mentioned in the Bible and in all great records of the Ancient Near East," explained Prof. Israel Finkelstein. He is head of the School of Archaeology and Maritime Cultures at the University of Haifa and director of the Megiddo Expedition.

Dr. Assaf Kleiman of Ben Gurion University, a senior member of the Megiddo Expedition staff, explained the Biblical context of the area: "It is important to note that the re-establishment of the site as an Egyptian stronghold in the late seventh century B.C. had long been suspected, mostly based on a verse in the Book of Kings, which described Josiah's execution at Megiddo by Pharaoh Necho."

The archaeological team was initially surprised by the large quantity of

ancient Egyptian pottery in the area.
"Since Egyptian pottery from the
Late Iron Age was never encountered before at Megiddo, at the
beginning of our research, we
were a bit puzzled by the high
quantities of crude vessels in
the field," Kleiman noted.

"However, due to their distinct morphology and the use of straw in



The site is said to contain over 20 layers of various settlements, dating back from the Copper Age to World War I, according to reports.

the production process of these pots, we suspected an Egyptian origin. Our suspicion was confirmed by petrographic analysis, a method used to locate the production place of ancient artifacts," Kleiman added.

In addition to Egyptian pottery, the archaeological team also found vessels from eastern Greece.

"We know of such mercenaries in the service of Egypt of that time from both Greek and Assyrian textual sources," Finkelstein revealed. "There are several clues in the Bible to the participation of Lydians from western Anatolia [Asia Minor] in the killing of Josiah. One of them is the story of Gog. Some scholars think that Gog refers to Gyges, the king of Lydia who, according to the Assyrians, sent mercenaries to serve in the Egyptian army in the seventh century B.C."



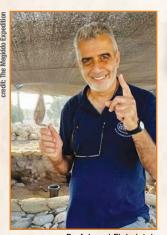
Addressing the Gog and Magog prophecy, Finkelstein explained: "The Book of Revelation in the New

Testament refers to an eschatological battle between the forces of God and the forces of evil at Armageddon — a corruption in Greek of Har Megiddo, [which means] the mound/hill of Megiddo."

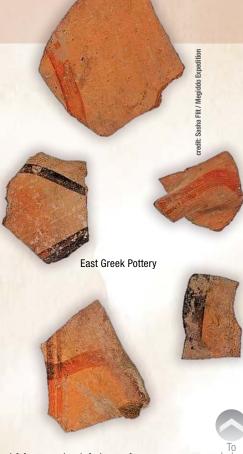
"Perhaps the theological idea behind it is that a savior from the lineage of David

will return in the place where the last and most righteous Davidic King [Josiah] died," he added.

Finkelstein revealed that the Megiddo site has been excavated on four separate occasions since the beginning of the 20th century. "Past excavations did not have access to modern methods and techniques, and hence many of the results have been contested."



Prof. Israel Finkelstein



The Megiddo area is rich in archaeological history. In February 2024, a team led by the Israel Antiquities Authority excavated a Roman legion camp at the foot of Tel Megiddo.



Archaeologists at the Megiddo site in 2022

Muslim Focus

Brown Univ. Prof. Deported for Attending Terrorist's Funeral

By Samantha Kamman ChristianPost.com





Dr. Rasha Alawieh

An assistant professor at Brown University was deported to Lebanon in March after she traveled abroad to attend the funeral of former Hezbollah chief Hassan Nasrallah and reportedly expressed praise for the slain terrorist leader.

Dr. Rasha Alawieh, 34, is a Lebanese citizen and kidney doctor who worked as an assistant professor of medicine at the Rhode Island-based Ivy League research university.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) confirmed that Alawieh's deportation was prompted by her attending Nasrallah's funeral in Beirut, Lebanon, which was held in February.

The agency described Nasrallah, who was killed in an Israeli airstrike last year, as a "brutal terrorist who led Hezbollah, responsible for killing hundreds of Americans over a four-decade terror spree."

"Alawieh openly admitted to this to CBP (Customs and Border Protection) officers, as well as her support of Nasrallah," a spokesperson for the DHS stated.

"A visa is a privilege not a right — glorifying and supporting terrorists who kill Americans is grounds for visa issuance to be denied," a DHS spokesperson noted.
"This is commonsense security."

U.S. District Judge Leo Sorokin, an appointee of President Barack Obama, had issued an order that barred Alawieh's removal from Massachusetts without 48 hours' notice to the court, as CNN reported.

However, Alawieh was deported anyway, as customs officials were unaware of the judge's order until after her departure from the U.S., according to lawyers for the government.

According to court filings obtained by Boston's WCVB-TV, CBP agents at Logan Airport questioned Alawieh about the photos of Nasrallah that she had on her phone. "In explaining why these multiple photos were deleted by her one to two days before she arrived at Logan, Dr. Alawieh stated that she did not want to give authorities the perception that she supports Hezbollah and the Ayatollah politically or militarily," the paperwork stated.



Alawieh also allegedly encouraged customs officials to listen to Nasrallah's sermons, according to the report. She reportedly described the Hezbollah leader as "a religious, spiritual person" of "very high value," claiming that Nasrallah's "teachings are about spirituality and morality."

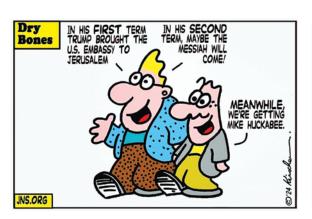
In response to the deportation of its employee, Brown University sent a campus-wide email to international staffers and students, advising them against traveling outside of the U.S.

"Out of an abundance of caution, we encourage international students, staff, faculty, and scholars — including U.S. visa holders and permanent residents (or 'green card holders') — to consider postponing or delaying personal travel outside the United States until more information is available from the U.S. Department of State," wrote Russell Carey, Brown's executive vice president for planning and policy.

The Israeli Tailor

Itzik, a businessman in Israel, bought a new suit. Before a trip to the U.S., he took his pants to a tailor in Jerusalem named Epstein. But after he returned from his trip, Itzik forgot about his pants. After several weeks passed, one day Itzik reached into his suit coat and, to his surprise, found the tailor's receipt. He went straight to the tailor, handed him the receipt, and asked, "Epstein, are my pants still here?"

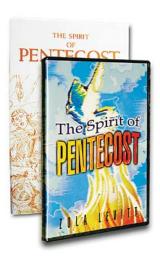
"Yes, of course," the tailor replied. "They'll be ready next Tuesday."



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