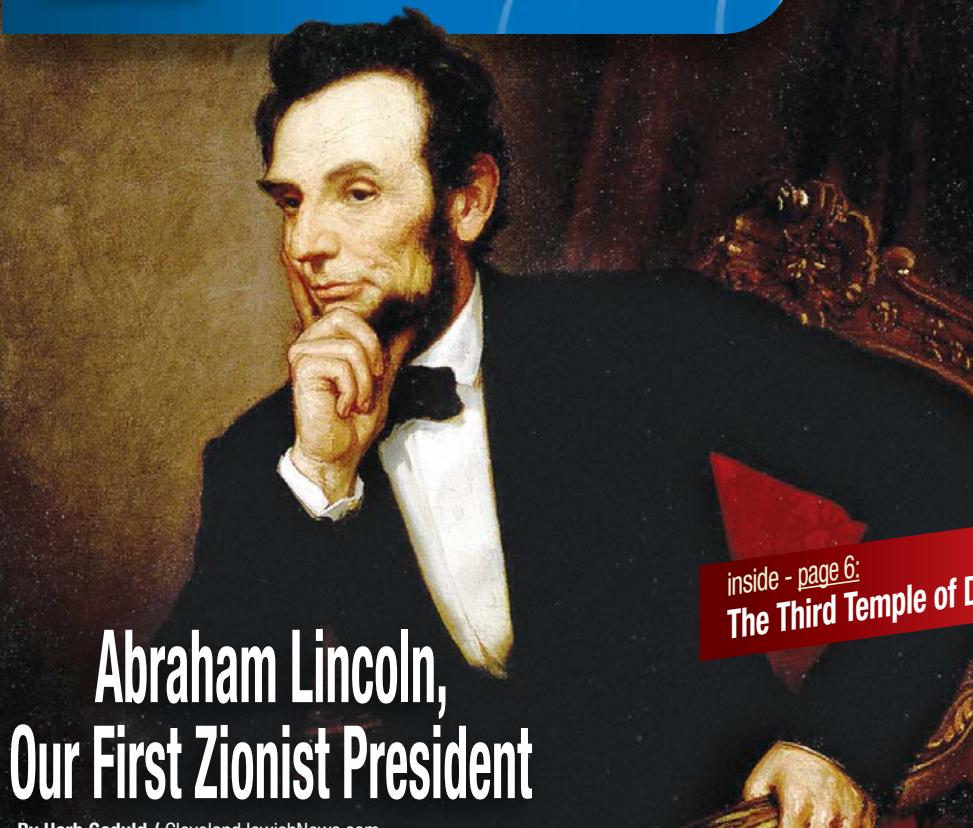




Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved.

— ROMANS 10:1



Abraham Lincoln, Our First Zionist President

By Herb Geduld / ClevelandJewishNews.com

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Abraham Lincoln, whose birthday is February 12, was the first U.S. president to have a significant impact on the American Jewish community. Lincoln had many Jewish friends, chief among them Abraham Jonas, who was also a Whig and then a Republican politician from Illinois.

Jonas was instrumental in staging the Lincoln-Douglas debates and in recommending Lincoln as a possible presidential candidate in the election of 1860. Lincoln won the election — with only 40% of the popular vote, but the majority of the electoral college. Afterward, Jonas heard from his Southern relatives about a possible plot to assassinate the president-elect on his inaugural journey to Washington. As a result, Jonas convinced Lincoln to travel

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REMEMBER:

Lincoln's Birthday: Thursday, Feb. 12

Presidents' Day: Monday, Feb. 16

Washington's Birthday: Sunday, Feb. 22

The Two-State Problem

By Tony Perkins
WashingtonStand.com

Benjamin Franklin once observed, "Experience keeps a dear school, yet fools will learn in no other."

In other words, experience eventually instructs those slow to understand. In matters of national security and Biblical truth, however, time is not a luxury we possess.



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In November 2025, the UN Security Council approved a U.S.-drafted resolution intended to bring lasting peace between Israelis and Palestinians. The intentions behind it are understandable; we all desire peace. But peace must be pursued with clear eyes, anchored in both Biblical truth and historical reality. Over the last 53 years, roughly a dozen major peace proposals have not only failed but also have, tragically, helped cultivate the violent ideology that erupted on October 7, 2023.

Each of the proposals rested on the same false premise — that Israel would or

negotiated between Israel and sovereign states, not the Palestinians. This underscores a hard but necessary truth: Regional peace is achievable, but only when it does not demand Israel relinquish sovereignty over land that is at the very core of its identity, history, and covenant.

I was reminded of this in the spring of 2005. I attended a meeting in Washington with Israel's Deputy Prime Minister Ehud Olmert and senior members of the Bush administration to lay out the Gaza disengagement as a bold new path to peace. My objection came in a single question: Is this

consistent with what the Bible says about the land and the Jewish people?

I didn't get a response in 2005. But the tragic answer came on October 7, 2023.



Peace Plans Rejected by Arabs or the "Palestinians"

Year	Plan/Proposal	Key Offer Details	Israel	Palestinians
1947	UN Partition Plan (Resolution 181)	Two states, Jerusalem internationalized	✓	✗
1967	Post-Six Day War Offer (Khartoum Resolution)	Territory for peace	✓	✗
2000	Camp David Summit (Barak/Clinton)	95% of West Bank, shared Jerusalem, land swaps	✓	✗
2001	Taba Summit	Near total withdrawal, refugee compromise	✓	✗
2008	Olmert Plan (Annapolis Process)	94–97% of West Bank, land swaps, shared Jerusalem	✓	✗
2020	Trump Peace Plan ('Deal of the Century')	Conditional state, East Jerusalem capital, \$50B investment	✓	✗

@avikaner, Sources: UN, Arab League, U.S. State Department, ECF, New York Times, White House archives

could surrender the land at the heart of its nation to create a Palestinian state. Such a concession would be suicidal for Israel's security. Worse still, the continual promise — dangled by the international community and now again by the U.S. — fuels rather than calms hostility. It signals to Palestinian leaders that the world still believes the lie that Israel and the Jewish people stand in the way of their identity, prosperity, and future. In other words, the Jews are the problem.

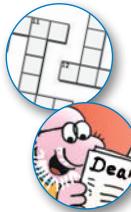
It is telling that the only successful peace agreements — Egypt-Israel, Jordan-Israel, and the Abraham Accords — have all been

horrific day, I walked with others through a kibbutz where walls were spattered with the blood of women and children. I stood at the site of the Nova music festival and felt the weight of knowing that American policy decisions helped create the conditions that allowed such evil to flourish. I led the group in a prayer of repentance for what America allowed. I am determined not to remain silent while new seeds are being planted that could yield an even darker harvest.

I close with this quote from the Prophet Jeremiah: *"They have also healed the hurt of My people slightly, saying, 'Peace, peace!' when there is no peace"* (Jer. 6:14). ☩

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Abraham Lincoln, Our First Zionist President

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incognito. The extensive Lincoln-Jonas correspondence is part of the Lincoln papers in the Library of Congress.

There were around 200,000 Jews living in America during the Civil War. The best-known connection between Lincoln and the Jewish community was probably his revocation of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's infamous General Order #11. That directive was called "the most sweeping anti-Jewish regulation in American history."

On December 17, 1862, Grant issued this decree: "Jews, as a class violating every regulation of trade established by the Treasury Department and also department orders, are hereby expelled from the department (states of Tennessee, Kentucky, and Mississippi) within 24 hours of receipt of this order."

Southern Jews who had lived in those states for decades were forced to pack up quickly and leave their homes. Many former Union soldiers and people loyal to the Union cause were evicted.

"With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan — to do all which may achieve and cherish a just, and a lasting peace among ourselves, and with all nations;"

Abraham Lincoln.

Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address
"With Malice Toward None" manuscript

Letters of protest, petitions, and resolutions demanding revocation of the order began to pour into Washington. Cesar Kaskel, a Jew from Paducah, Kentucky, personally intervened with Lincoln — and the command was revoked. In repealing the order, Lincoln wrote: "To condemn a class is, to say the least, to wrong the good with the bad. I do not like to hear a class or nationality condemned on account of a few sinners."

The second historical milestone in American Jewish history during the Civil

War was the appointment of the first Jewish chaplain to the United States Army. Prior to 1862, only clergymen of the "Christian denomination" (Protestants) could be appointed as army chaplains.

The fight to extend the chaplaincy to rabbis was long and bitter. It was initiated by Ohio Rep. Clement L. Vallandigham. He appealed to the House of Representatives to change the wording in the chaplaincy regulations from "Christian denomination" to "member of a religious society." It took a year of intense lobbying and often rancorous debate, including openly anti-Semitic articles in the press. But on July 17, 1862, the new chaplaincy law finally came into effect.

In 1863, at the height of the Civil War, Henry Wentworth Monk — a Canadian Christian Zionist — visited Lincoln. Monk protested the fact that Jews, unlike Blacks, had yet to be emancipated. "There can be no permanent peace in the world until the civilized nations ... atone for their 2,000 years of persecution (of the Jews) by restoring them to their national home in Palestine," noted Monk.

Although never known for his religious piety, Lincoln readily agreed: "Restoring the Jews to their national home in Palestine ... is a noble dream ... once the war was over, America would be able to lead the world in the dream."

Two years later, at the end of the war, Lincoln was assassinated.

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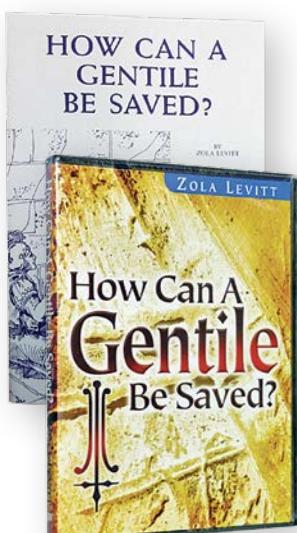


Abraham Lincoln Street in Jerusalem

Some 30 years before Theodor Herzl began promoting Zionism, an American president had become a Zionist.

According to Mary Todd Lincoln, the president's widow, Lincoln stated on the last day of his life, "How I should like to visit Jerusalem sometime."

—Editor



[How Can a Gentile Be Saved?](#) study booklet & teaching CD by Zola Levitt

As a Jew, Zola was constantly asked, "How did you get saved?" — as though Jewish salvation is hard to find in Scripture. In this thought-provoking Bible study, Zola turned the tables by asking, "How Can A Gentile Be Saved?" An interesting and unique look at grafting non-Jews into God's plan.

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The Third Temple of Doom!

Joshua & Caleb Colson
The Bearded Bible
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Yes, we know. Everyone has done an Indiana Jones parody. Everyone has searched for the Ark of the Covenant and come up empty-handed. Everyone has tried to disqualify kosher red heifers with Sharpies. No, wait — that's just us! Yes, the Bearded Bible Brothers like to do things a bit differently, even referring to ourselves in the third person. No, we don't have new pronouns; we just like an adventure!

In December 2021, we were the first and only production crew to film the selection process of the red heifers at a ranch in Rockwall, Texas. When the rabbis from the Temple Institute declared the scarlet bovines pure, we caught the highlight of the tears streaming down their faces.

Unlike many Christians and Messianic Jews, however, **our response to the red heifers and coming Third Temple was not ecstatic jubilation**. Instead, we warned of the possible prophetic doom prompted by the emergence of the heifers and the Third Temple construction. Certainly, that didn't make us popular; but we don't



teach for the "brownie points." Over four years later, our warnings have finally reached the ears of some prominent mainstream ministers. Still, widespread Biblical illiteracy has led the Body of Messiah to misinterpret the signs of the times. Either that or some people just like to watch the world burn, but that's Caleb's more pessimistic viewpoint. Honestly, we're not trying to judge, even

In February, we launch our six-part series, *Bearded Bible Brothers and the Third Temple of Doom!*

though many people feel that donating to the Third Temple project hastens Yeshua's return. Instead, we feel the need to bring Scriptural clarity to the circumstances at hand to avoid any unnecessary Matthew 24:24 moments.

If you haven't done so previously, please tune into the *Bearded Bible Brothers* on social media or broadcast television. In February, we launch our six-part series,

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Bearded Bible Brothers and the Third Temple of Doom!

Joining us on our adventure in Israel are Messianic pastor Hirchie Schaffner and Dr. Christian Widener of End Times Berean Ministries. Red heifers and the Third Temple aren't our only focus this time around. Using documentation from the Dead Sea Scrolls and evidence from archaeological engineering, we analyze the size, structure, and location of the former Temples in Jerusalem.

Following the pattern of Indiana Jones, we explore the historic trail of the Ark of the Covenant to determine its final resting place. Returning to the volatile grounds of the Temple Mount, we uncover evidence of the true builder of the existing Temple complex, along with an ancient decree that could unveil a 2027 Jubilee mystery.

Daniel 12:4 declares, *“But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.”* Though many have taken this passage to refer to gentile readers in modern times, they ignore the context of the future Jewish audience to whom it was intended. Yeshua reiterates this to Daniel at the beginning of chapter 12, as He refers to “your people” again and again.

The increasing “knowledge” doesn’t appear to relate solely to technology. Instead, it deals with unveiling the prophetic visions for Daniel’s people, so that they might understand and accept Messiah and be delivered from a dreadful apocalyptic fate.

Throughout Daniel’s supernatural encounters, he discovers a lot about Messiah Yeshua and Satan’s coming Beast. We believe that the running “to and fro” will drive our Jewish people to uncover the truth of the impending doom behind the

Third Temple, the infamous Abomination of Desolation, and the Great Tribulation. Truly, the eternal resting place of our people’s souls hangs in the balance. The Jews must learn the truth that Yeshua is our substitute and final sacrifice. Otherwise, they will be duped into believing that their redemption comes from a revived priestly system, or worse, the False Prophet.

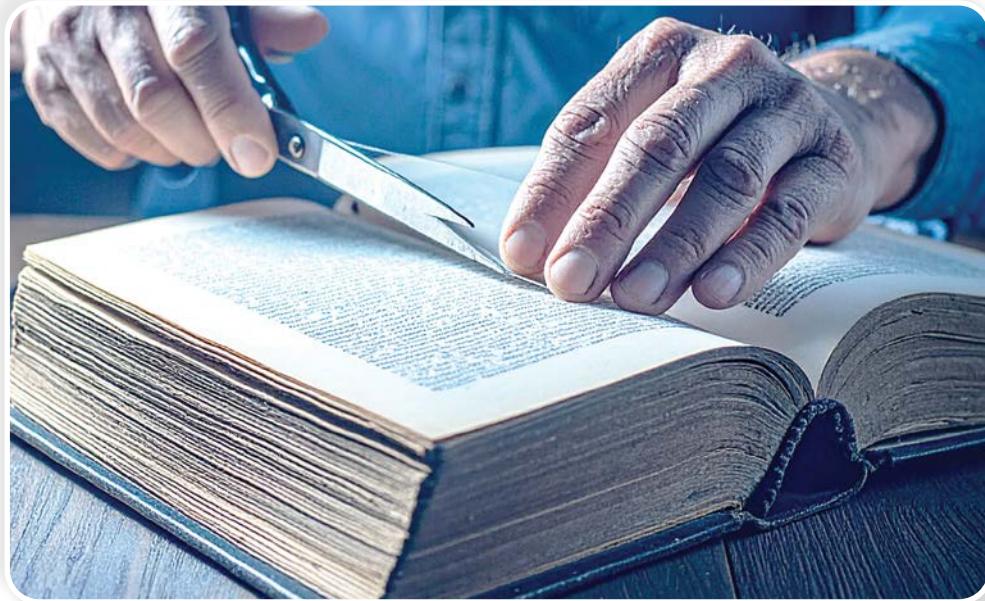
Please be certain to catch *Bearded Bible Brothers and the Third Temple of Doom!* Our exploration will lead us to Qumran, Masada, Hebron, Mamre, Shiloh, Gath, Ashdod, Kiriath Jearim, the City of David, and the winding tunnels beneath Jerusalem. We hope to equip you with important



Biblical knowledge so that you can declare the truth of Yeshua to our Jewish brethren before it’s too late. The Great Commission is a team sport, and the last minutes of the final period are nearly complete. ★

Love, Joshua and Caleb





It really shouldn't be necessary to cover the Biblical arguments against Replacement Theology, but I will do so briefly. The stuff savages ten thousand verses of Scripture, as will any manmade agenda forced on the Bible.

A very significant argument against Replacement Theology is the powerful Abrahamic Covenant, God's promise to the father of the Jewish people some 4,000 years ago:

Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house unto a land that I will show thee: And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the Earth be blessed (Gen 12:1-3).

One can either believe this passage literally or spiritualize it to try to make it fit the Church. The latter group wants the covenant to be conditional upon Israel's

obedience or states that the promises of the land were historically fulfilled in the time of Joshua or Solomon. **But clearly, the Abrahamic Covenant is unconditional.** Although the descendants of Abraham may have been chastised on many occasions, they never lost the promise — the covenant with Abraham made and fulfilled by God, Who called it "everlasting" (Gen. 17:7). Scripture repeatedly reminds us of the unchanging nature of God's promise to Israel:

Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? Yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee. Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of My hands... (Isa. 49:15-16).

Thus saith 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, saith the LORD (Jer. 31:37).

...God hath not cast away His people which He foreknew... (Rom. 11:2).

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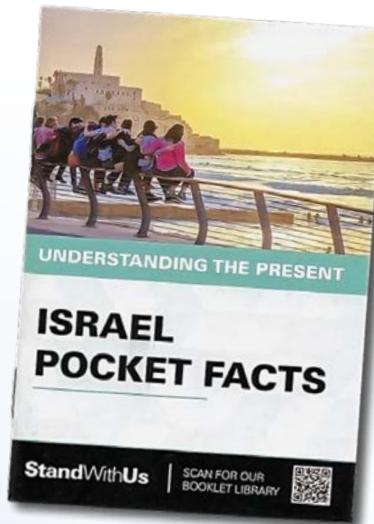
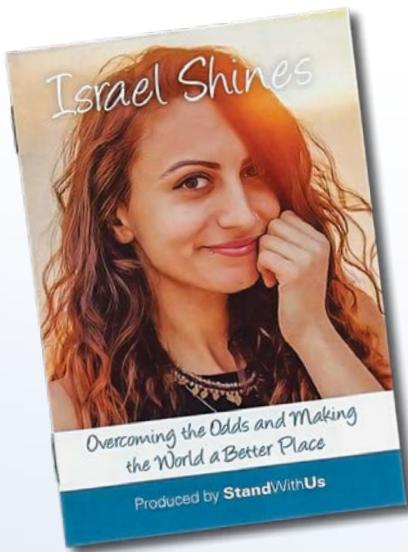
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Another treacherous aspect of Replacement teaching is the position that "Israel" and "the Church" are synonymous in Scripture. Prophecies concerning Israel's restoration are awkwardly explained away as being allegorical or by "spiritualization." Likewise, promises to the Chosen People become promises to the Church. Applying this rule to Scripture is as erroneous as the rabbis' substitutions for references to the Messiah in verses that obviously refer to Jesus — editing the Word to suit their own purposes and biases. When we substitute the Church for Israel in verses like Romans 10:1 ("*Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved*") or Romans 11:26 ("*And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob*"), we end up with sheer nonsense.

Adherents to Replacement Theology also hold that Christ's rule as the Davidic King is in a "spiritual sense" and that He will not rule physically on Earth. It hardly seems necessary to refute this nonsense. All of the prophetic verses concerning the appearance of the Messiah — His birth in Bethlehem (Mic. 5:2), His being of the tribe of Judah (Gen. 49:10), His rejection (Isa. 53:3), His crucifixion (Ps. 22:16), etc. — were all literally and specifically fulfilled.

There is simply no basis for supposing that the predictions concerning His Second Advent or His reign in the Kingdom are to be interpreted any differently. On that point, our Lord stated, "... *I go to prepare a place for you ... and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself...*" (John 14:2-3). And He made it crystal clear that there was no room for doubt: "... *if it were not so, I would have told you*" (v. 2). ☩



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Violent Jewish Mobsters vs. 1930s American Nazis

Mark Levitt / ZLM Director since 1988



credit: U.S. Dept. of Defense



German American Bund (an American Nazi group) rally in Madison Square Garden, 1939

John Parsons, our ministry's beloved monthly Hebrew Lesson creator (please see p. 16), recently sent me a riveting 25-minute YouTube video that captured my imagination: ["Jewish Mafia Once Took on Nazis in the Streets of NYC."](#)

Michael Benson's book, *Gangsters vs Nazis* (2022), tells the stunning story of American Nazism's rise in the years leading to WWII — and the fearless Jewish gangsters and crime families who joined forces to fight back.

Here are excerpts from Amazon's description of that book, which mirrors the YouTube video mentioned above:

- By 1933, more than 100 anti-Semitic groups operated openly in the U.S. Few Americans dared to speak up or fight back. That was until an organized resistance of notorious mobsters waged a gangland-style war against the Nazis in their midst.
- Nazi Town, USA: One Long Island community named a street after Hitler, decorated buildings with swastikas, and created a camp to teach U.S. citizens how to goosestep.
- Meyer Lansky and Murder Inc.: A Jewish mob accountant led 15 goons

on a joint family mission to bust heads at a Brown Shirt rally in Manhattan.

- Fritz Kuhn, "The Vest-Pocket Hitler": A German immigrant spread Nazi propaganda through the German American Bund in NYC — with 70 branches across the U.S.
- Newark Nazis vs. The Minutemen: A Jewish resistance group, led by a prize fighter and bootlegger for the mob, battled the Bund in the streets of Newark.
- Hitler in Hollywoodland: Sunset Strip kingpin Mickey Cohen knocked two Brown Shirts' heads together. He became the West Coast champion in the mob's war on Nazis.

The [German American Bund](#) (*bund* means "federation" or "organization") was established in 1936 as the successor to the "Friends of the New Germany." This group sought to transplant Nazi ideology and anti-Semitism onto American soil. It openly supported the Nazi regime and Adolf Hitler, despite claiming to be a patriotic American organization.

Its members flew swastikas alongside American flags and displayed portraits of George Washington and Adolf Hitler together. The apex of its influence was



its 1939 Madison Square Garden rally with around 20,000 attendees. This event was a shocking public display of American support for Nazism and anti-Semitism.

Modeling its propaganda directly on the Nazi Party's behavior, its slogans included, "Smash Jewish Communism" and "Stop Jewish Domination of Christian Americans." They referred to Franklin D. Roosevelt as "Frank D. Rosenfeld" and his New Deal as the "Jew Deal." The group ran dozens of youth camps that resembled the Hitler Youth, teaching Nazi philosophy alongside paramilitary drills and anti-Semitic lessons.

The Bund's influence rapidly waned after its leader, Fritz Kuhn, was convicted in November 1939 for embezzling Bund funds. After the U.S. entered WWII in December 1941, our federal government banned the organization.

Organized Jewish Americans, including those connected to the Jewish Mafia, violently confronted the German American Bund and other Nazi-sympathizing groups to disrupt their meetings and curb their public activities across our nation. They took this action primarily because legal avenues were limited; the First Amendment's guarantees of free speech and assembly often protected Nazi activities, even when promoting hate.

Gemini.google.com cites several examples of widespread coordination of anti-Nazi efforts:

- Community leaders, including New York Judge and former Congressman Nathan D. Perlman and Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, secretly reached out to Jewish organized crime bosses.
- The notorious mob financier Meyer Lansky agreed to the task without payment, stating, "I am a Jew, and I feel for the Jews in Europe who are suffering. They are my brothers."
- Both Judge Perlman and Rabbi Wise instructed Lansky that his men weren't allowed to kill any Bund member — they were only to "marinate" or "punch" them, not "ice" them.
- Bugsy Siegel in Los Angeles and Abner "Longie" Zwillman (who led the

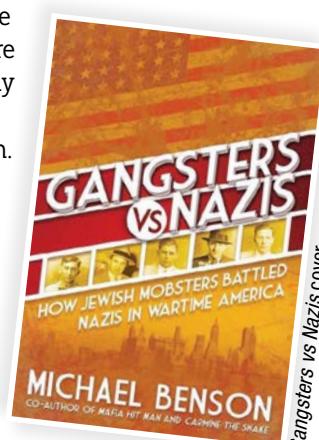
"Newark Minutemen" of Jewish boxers and toughs in New Jersey) organized direct action.

- Lansky and some associates raided a Bund gathering at the Yorkville Casino, one of the most famous confrontations. On April 20, 1938 (Hitler's birthday) 15 operatives menaced thousands of Nazis.
- In Minneapolis, gangster David "The Jew" Berman and his associates confronted and threatened another fascist group, William Dudley Pelley's Silver Shirts.

The violent confrontations and constant harassment severely hampered the recruitment and public presence of the German American Bund and other fascist groups. The campaign created a climate of danger for American Nazi sympathizers, which law-abiding citizens couldn't achieve. It succeeded in intimidating members of the Bund, resulting in many members either quitting or going underground. The mobsters successfully weakened the Nazi movement in the U.S. before our country entered WWII.

Today, sadly, the shoe seems to be on the other foot for many synagogues, Jewish Community Centers, and pro-Israel organizations. During worship services, my neighborhood's synagogues routinely hire off-duty police officers. The Dallas Jewish Community Center spends \$1 million per year on security alone. Attendees who registered for the November 2025 annual Israel Now Forum had to submit their contact information online in advance.

Then, they were screened before being discreetly advised of the event's location. Where are the fierce Jewish gangsters these days when you need them? 



Gangsters vs Nazis cover



What is the Lord's Supper?

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The Lord's Supper is one of the two ordinances (along with baptism) that Jesus Christ instituted for His Church. This observance recalls the last meal that Jesus ate with His disciples before His crucifixion (Matt. 26:17-29; Mark 14:12-25; Luke 22:7-20).

In Scripture, the observance is also called "the breaking of bread" (Acts 2:42) and "the Lord's table" (1 Cor. 10:21). While some Believers* refer to it as "communion" (1 Cor. 10:16), others call it the *eucharist* — Greek for "giving thanks." This reflects how Jesus "gave thanks" to His Father before sharing the wine and bread (Luke 22:17, 19).

This supper emerged from the Passover Feast, which commemorates Israel's deliverance from Egyptian bondage after the death angel "passed over" homes marked with the blood of a lamb (Ex. 12.). The original Passover foreshadowed how Jesus would shed His blood for the remission of sins (Matt. 26:27-28). John the Baptist emphasized this point when he called Jesus the "*Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world*" (John 1:29).

During His last Passover meal, Jesus took the unleavened bread and broke it. He declared that it represented His body (Luke 22:19), which He would give for the salvation of sinners. Then, Jesus took a cup of wine (the third cup in the Passover meal — the Cup of Redemption) and declared, "*This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is poured out for you*" (Luke 22:20).

The Lord's Supper is not a reenactment of Christ's death on the Cross. Rather, it's a symbolic memorial to His once-for-all, atoning sacrifice. Writing in *The Moody Handbook of Theology*, theologian Paul Enns explains:

It is a memorial view of [Christ's] death (1 Cor. 11:23-25). The recurring statement, "in remembrance of Me," makes this clear — the bread symbolizing His perfect body offered in sin-bearing sacrifice (1 Pet. 2:24) and the wine His blood shed for the forgiveness of sins (Eph. 1:7). It is a proclamation of the death of Christ while waiting for His coming (1 Cor. 11:26); it involves a looking back to the historical event of the Cross and an anticipating of His return in the future (Matt. 26:29). It is a communion of Believers with each other (1 Cor. 11:17); they eat and drink the same symbolic elements, focusing on their common faith in Christ.

The Lord's Supper is only for Believers within a church community. In 1 Corinthians 11:23-34, the Apostle Paul gives instructions about the Lord's Supper. Before partaking, Believers should examine themselves to ensure that they aren't living in sin or being irreverent toward the sacred nature of the Lord's Supper. Failure to do so dishonors Christ's death for our salvation. Thus, God may chastise Believers — perhaps through sickness or death — who treat this holy observance with flippancy and disrespect, as some in the Corinthian church had done. ☩



**"For as often as you eat
this bread and drink this cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death
till He comes."**

1 CORINTHIANS 11:26



* "Believers" is short for "believers in Yeshua/Jesus as Messiah."



Proclaiming Truth in Tel Aviv and Netanya

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In December 2025, August Rosado and I returned to Israel for this ministry's 59th outreach. On our first day, we went to Dizengoff Mall in Tel Aviv. We met a young Israeli Jew named **Liam** and offered her a complete Hebrew Bible that includes both Testaments. Initially, Liam was open but then balked, saying that the New Testament was not for Israel.

We gently explained God's promise that He would give a New Covenant to Israel (Jer. 31:31-34), which Yeshua ratified with His atoning death on

the Cross (1 Pet. 2:24). Amazingly, God's Spirit opened Liam's heart. She accepted the Bible after seeing from God's Word that He wants the Jewish people to have the New Covenant, and salvation in Messiah Yeshua who has come and will soon come again (Rev. 22:20)!

We traveled to Netanya the next day, where we met **Nathan** and **Yannah**.

These Israeli Jews welcomed the Good News of salvation that comes through Yeshua the Messiah. August and I explained that part of our mission for frequently visiting Israel was to return God's saving Word about Yeshua back to where it originated. Our Lord also opened their hearts and minds to receive the words of eternal life that come from Adon Yeshua (John 6:68).

The Spirit then led us to a store where August and I met **Yvonne**. We explained God's promise to regather Israel back into their land at the end of days (Isa. 11:11-12; Jer. 31:10), and the amazing fulfillment of that promise beginning with the rebirth of the Jewish nation in 1948.



Liam with her new Bible



Nathan listens to August Rosado



Yvonne



Yannah with Todd Baker

Then, we showed Yvonne the prophecies about the Messiah that Yeshua fulfilled in

His first coming to Israel. To our astonishment, Yvonne responded several times, *nachan* (Hebrew for "true"). With that wonderful declaration, she affirmed God's truth! Yvonne gladly accepted a complete Hebrew Bible and Messianic Gospel tracts so that she could read in greater detail the truth that August and I shared with her.

Please pray for these Jewish people — that our Lord will use His Word and His Spirit to open their hearts to accept Yeshua as Messiah. Thank you for your continued prayers and financial gifts that enable us to visit Israel and return the Gospel to God's Chosen People. ★



Milei Launches Isaac Accords

By Gabriel Colodro
TheMediaLine.org



Argentina has formally launched the Isaac Accords, a new initiative aimed at strengthening political, economic, and cultural cooperation between Israel and Latin America. The announcement came during a November 2025 meeting in Buenos Aires between President Javier Milei and Israeli Foreign Minister Gideon Sa'ar.

Milei explained that Argentina would serve as a "pioneer" alongside the U.S. in promoting

the new framework. He described it as a vehicle to deepen engagement with Israel across a range of strategic fields.

Following their meeting, Sa'ar publicly praised the Argentine president, calling his election "a double miracle — for Argentina and for the Jewish people." The Israeli foreign minister wrote on X that Milei's recent parliamentary victory "was an important step in consolidating his leadership and setting Argentina on the right path."

Sa'ar described Milei's affinity for Judaism, the Jewish people, and the State of Israel as "sincere, powerful, and moving." At the start of their meeting, Milei recited the traditional *Shehecheyanu* blessing, commonly recited to mark moments of gratitude, renewal, or significant first occasions. "When the president saw me place the *kippah* on my head to make the blessing, he immediately placed on his own head the *kippah* that he keeps in his office," Sa'ar noted.

The Isaac Accords — inspired by the Abraham Accords but tailored to the Latin American context — aim to expand cooperation in innovation, security, commerce, and cultural exchange. Milei has framed the initiative as part of a broader ideolog-



Argentinian President Javier Milei and Israel's Foreign Minister Gideon Sa'ar

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ical alignment, saying that "the free world must rise together against the threats to liberty seeking to lift their heads." The first phase of the accords will focus on Uruguay, Panama, and Costa Rica, where possible joint projects in technology, security, and economic development are already under review.

The meeting also addressed Argentina's plan to relocate its embassy to Jerusalem. According to Sa'ar, the two discussed the move "in detail," including preparations for a celebratory event expected this spring. Sa'ar added that he thanked Milei for his "courageous and forceful" support for Israel on the international stage.

Next steps will focus on technical coordination. Argentina's Foreign Minister Pablo Quirno will advance the operational framework of the Isaac Accords together with Sa'ar and the government of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. Argentinean Ambassador Axel Wahnish, an Orthodox rabbi, will oversee local coordination, including initial exploratory work with Latin American partners. 

Note: For details on the Abraham Accords, see "Toward Middle East Peace" on page 9 of the February 2021 *Levitt Letter*.



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An Inversion of Reality

Savor several minutes of clips from the 59th Regular Session of the UN's Human Rights Council session in Geneva, Switzerland. The July 2025 session opened with Arab speakers endorsing an absurd report by the UN Special Rapporteur, Francesca Albanese. Her report accused Israel of "one of the crudest genocides in modern history." The priceless rebuttal by UN Watch Executive Director Hillel Neuer pointedly asked Albanese why the report didn't mention Hamas, October 7, Hezbollah, or Iran. Visit <https://youtu.be/xfPV8ocFdOI> to watch the video; notice Albanese's smirks as she listens to Neuer's response.



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Hillel Neuer and Francesca Albanese

Do Israeli Lives Matter?

On October 7, 2023, Omri Miran was abducted from Kibbutz Nahal Oz. Gazan terrorists livestreamed as they dragged Miran and his family from their safe room, but eventually they took only Miran. His then two-year-old daughter, Roni, followed them, screaming that she wanted her father. Previously, Omri was a shiatsu therapist and gardener at the kibbutz, which described him as caring, loving, and supporting. Omri was released from Hamas captivity on October 13, 2025.



credit: Ziv Koren

Omri Miran with his daughters after his release

Netflix's Preschool Propaganda

Concerned Women for America recently analyzed 326 Netflix shows. The conservative advocacy group found that 41% of G-rated and TV-Y7-rated series contain LGBTQ themes, characters, or storylines. Of those with the TV-Y7 rating (for children age 7 and older), 21% featured LGBTQ messaging. Most of this content is explicit, such as a trans-identifying character in *Strawberry Shortcake: Berry in the Big City* and same-sex families in *The Baby-Sitter's Club*. Clearly, identity politics have replaced social and school-readiness skills in much of children's entertainment. This media trend reveals the shocking truth of Romans 1:26–28 and evokes the warning of Isaiah 5:20.

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How to Make a Will That Works offers general information about distributing property to family, friends, and charitable interests considering tax law changes. After touching on the Four Ps of estate planning, the pamphlet answers 38 commonly asked questions. It concludes with pointers on keeping other plans up to date, such as life insurance and retirement plans. To receive this pamphlet at no charge, email us at staff@levitt.com or write to our P.O. Box. Note: TrustAndWill.com, FreeWill.com, and WillMaker.com are online options for simple estates.

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The Great Hope of Zion

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“For God will save Zion...”

Psalm 69:35

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Read Hebrew right to left! 

The word “Zion” is mentioned over 160 times in Scripture. That’s more than the words “faith,” “hope,” “love,” and many others. Because Zion is a poetic form of the word “Jerusalem,” the number of occurrences swells to nearly 1,000! Since it’s the most frequently occurring place name in all the Scriptures, it’s no overstatement to say that God Himself is a Zionist. *“Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth”* (Ps. 50:2).

Tragically, many of today’s Church leaders consider the ideal of Zion and its great hope as something “quaint,” perhaps even naive. Many of today’s Evangelical teachers, for example, seem to view the reestablishment of the State of Israel as a historical accident, without any theological significance. They don’t regard the Jewish people’s regathering to their ancient homeland as a miracle, nor do they understand it as a sign that we are beginning to see the prophesied period known as *acharit hayamim* — “the End of Days” (Deut. 28:64; 30:3–5). **Ultimately what you believe about Israel and Zion will affect ALL other areas of your theology.**

Zion represents the rule and reign of God in the Earth. Therefore, it is synonymous with the Kingdom of God. The entire redemptive plan of God — including the coming of the Messiah and our salvation — is wrapped up in it (1 Pet. 2:6). It is the “historiography”

of God — His philosophy of history, if you will. Perhaps this explains why the world system (and its agency, the devil) routinely mischaracterizes and condemns “Zionism” as a form of racism or injustice.

Friends, how can we forget Zion, *“the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem”* (Heb. 12:22)? Is she not *“our mother”* (Gal. 4:26)? Are we not her citizens, indeed, her exiles in this age? Zion represents our eschatological future — our home in *olam haba* (the world to come). Indeed, even the new Heaven and Earth will be called Jerusalem — *Zion in her perfection* (Rev. 21). We are instructed to *“pray for the peace of Jerusalem”* (Ps. 122:6), but we are also told to badger the Lord until He makes Zion *“the praise of the Earth”* (Isa. 62:7).

Our Savior called Jerusalem the *“City of the great King”* (Ps. 48:2; Matt. 5:35). It is where He was crucified, buried, resurrected, and from which He ascended to Heaven. Jerusalem is also the birthplace of the Church. One day (soon), Yeshua will physically return to Jerusalem to restore the throne of David. At that time, all the covenantal promises given to Israel will be literally fulfilled as the Kingdom of God is finally manifest upon the Earth. May that time come speedily, and in our day. Amen. ☩

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Watch Therefore and Be Ready

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This eight-part series encourages this generation to be aware of prophetic fulfillment, live expectantly, and be ready for Messiah's return. David and Kirsten Hart present this series that features teaching from Dov Schwarz, guest analyst Dr. Mark Hitchcock, reports from Israel with Chaim Malespin, Hebrew lessons, and music written by Zola Levitt.

Covenant and Prophecy The New Covenant (Jeremiah 31:31) was made with Israel. Gentiles have been grafted into the olive tree.

Birth Pains In Isaiah 66 we see the Last Days labor pains of Israel that bring the Jewish people as a nation to "new birth." In the birthing room, Yeshua —the Great Physician —attends Israel, whose labor pains shake the entire Earth.

Days of Noah The Days of Noah portend the appearance of Messiah Yeshua in the clouds to gather His people and set up His Kingdom on Earth. Three primary signs of Genesis 6 include global explosions of population, violence, and rampaging evil.

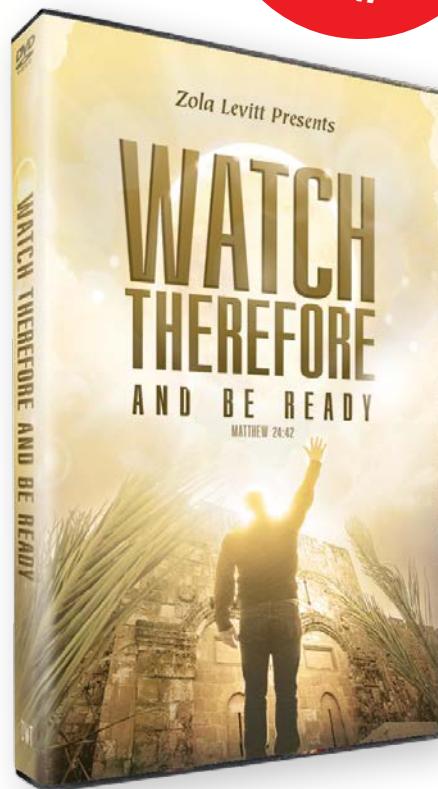
Fig Tree Generation Israel officially "put forth leaves" on May 14, 1948. Studying Abraham reveals what Yeshua meant about the final generation of this Age.

Curse-for-Curse Principle Genesis 12:3 promises both blessing and cursing in the covenant with Abraham and his descendants.

The Jewish Wedding In Matthew 25:1–13, Messiah uses Jewish wedding customs, including a midnight cry and marriage feast. He advises us to mimic the five wise virgins: Watch therefore and be ready.

Refuge in Tribulation End Times events portend a place that is prepared for the wrath of the Lamb, Messiah Yeshua. Yet, we see His hand outstretched in mercy.

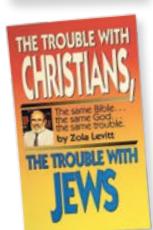
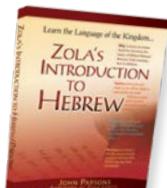
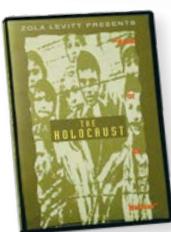
Faithful and Wicked Servants Yeshua repeated the theme of faithful and wicked servants in the signs of His coming (Matthew 24:45–51 and Mark 13:32–37). The faithful servant watches for the Master's arrival, obeying His commands; the wicked servant watches not and becomes ungodly, facing eternal damnation.





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Israel's First Kings Dr. Seif discusses the reason for Israel's first two kings — Saul and David — and the expectations placed on them. Those in leadership — in fact, all Believers — face a constant temptation to drift away from Biblical values.

Kingdom Divided Even wise Solomon made foolish mistakes by allowing his heart to drift away from the Lord. His son Rehoboam drifted much farther and caused Jeroboam to lead 10 of the 12 tribes in rebellion, creating the northern Kingdom of Israel. The two tribes that remained — Judah and Benjamin — formed the southern Kingdom of Judah.

Israel's Omri and Ahab Omri seized Israel's throne by mutiny. Deterioration continued when his heir Ahab (the worst king ever) not only turned away from God but actively opposed Him.

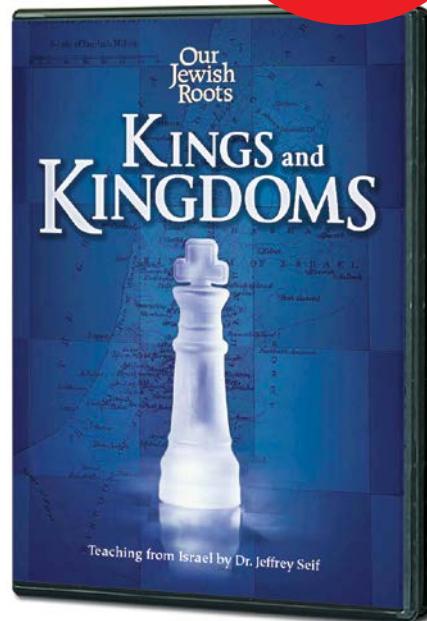
Israel's Jeroboam II and Hoshea Evil King Jeroboam II was still praised for securing Israel's border. Leaders should be trustworthy, not bloodthirsty. King Hoshea reaped what he sowed and, unfortunately, so did Israel.

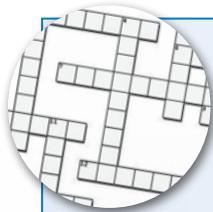
Judah's Joash and Uzziah Young leaders need wisdom and guidance from advisers who are tethered to God's Word. King Joash's zeal for the Lord faded as his pride grew. King Uzziah became so obsessed with power, the Lord smote him with leprosy.

Judah's Hezekiah and Manasseh Good King Hezekiah did not depart from following God and His commandments. Faithfulness pays dividends! Unfortunately, Hezekiah's son Manasseh brought Judah horror and bloodshed for the five decades of his rule.

Judah's Josiah and Zedekiah King Josiah rediscovered God's Word and took it seriously. Oh, that our leaders would do the same! Poor leadership leads to bad consequences. Josiah's son Zedekiah rebelled against the Lord, paving Judah's road to ruin.

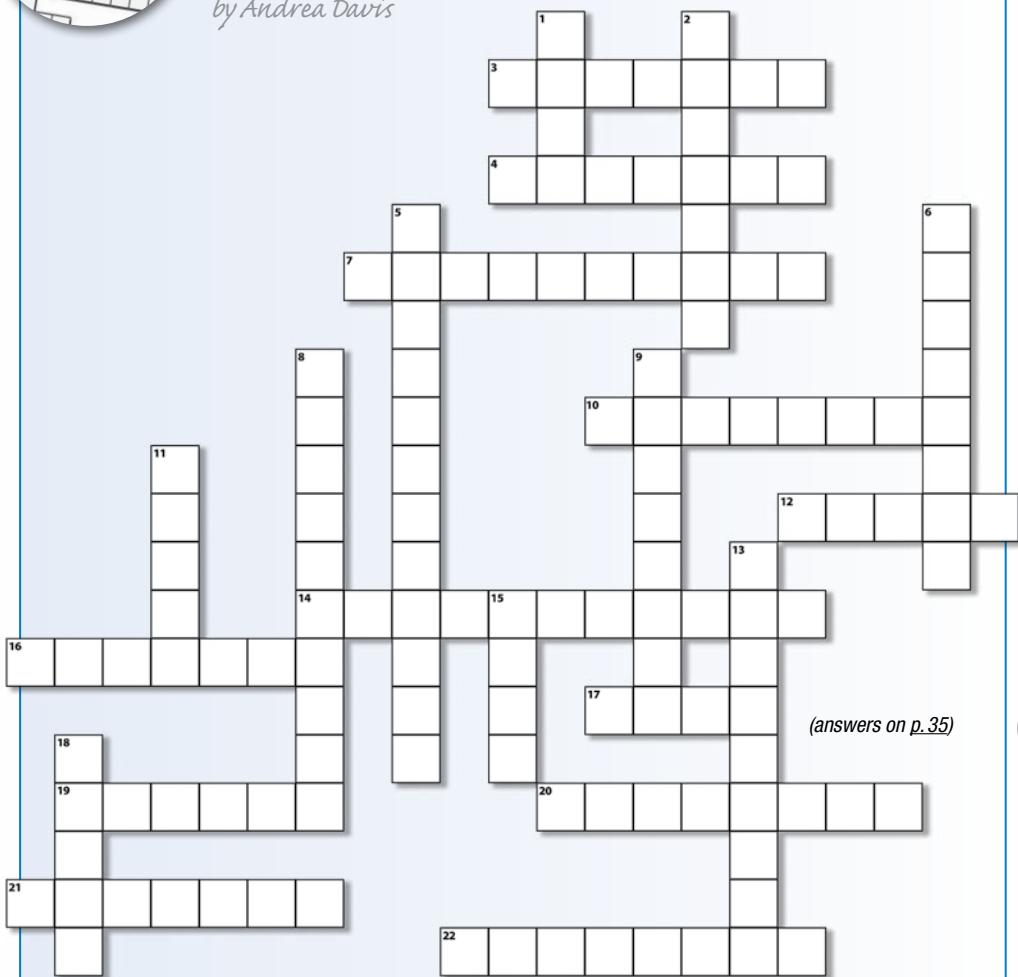
Israel's Future King The prophet Isaiah looked to a reunited Israel's ultimate King — the Lord Yeshua, who will return to rule from David's throne.





Crossword February 2026: "For Love is of God" (NKJV)

by Andrea Davis



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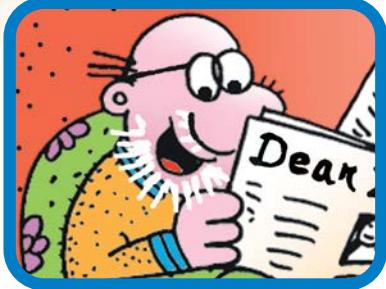


Across:

3. ...He will quiet you with His love, He will ___ over you with singing. (Zeph. 3:17)
4. Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his ___. (John 15:13)
7. ...the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the ___ who was given to us. (Rom. 5:5)
10. ...shall be able to ___ us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Rom 8:39)
12. But God, who is rich in ___, because of His great love with which He loved us, (Eph. 2:4)
14. ...Yes, I have loved you with an ___ love; Therefore with lovingkindness I have drawn you. (Jer. 31:3)
16. Beloved, let us love one ___, for love is of God... (1 John 4:7)
17. He who does not love does not ___ God... (1 John 4:8)
19. ...he who ___ in love ___ in God, and God in him. (1 John 4:16)
20. ...Himself loves you, because you have loved Me, and have ___ that I came forth from God. (John 16:27)
21. keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto ___ life. (Jude 21)
22. Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called ___ of God!... (1 John 3:1)

Down:

1. There is no ___ in love; but perfect love casts out _____. (1 John 4:18)
2. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still ___, Christ died for us. (Rom. 5:8)
5. ...keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His ___. (Deut. 7:9)
6. Now may the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the ___ of Christ. (2 Thess. 3:5)
8. ...we are more than ___ through Him who loved us. (Rom. 8:37)
9. For God so loved the world that He gave His only ___ Son... (John 3:16)
11. We love Him because He ___ loved us. (1 John 4:19)
13. to know the love of Christ which passes ___; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. (Eph. 3:19)
15. And now abide faith, hope, ___, these three; but the greatest of these is ___. (1 Cor. 13:13)
18. ...I live by ___ in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. (Gal. 2:20)



Letters to ZLM

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Temple Questions

From L.W.: If the Temple was destroyed in 70 A.D., then what is standing in Jerusalem now within the walls? Aren't there still gates there? Weren't the gates also destroyed? And what is under the gold dome and Al-Aqsa Mosque?

Shalom L.W.,

Your questions couldn't be more timely — they're the focus of our series airing this month: *Bearded Bible Brothers and the Third Temple of Doom!* Our good friend Dr. Christian Widener uses his doctorate in engineering to explain what he believes is the original site of both Solomon's and Herod's Temple on Mount Moriah.



After the Romans destroyed the Second Temple, they razed most of the city walls of Jerusalem. In Luke 21:5–6, Yeshua declared that not a single stacked stone would be left of the Temple, but they would be hurled to the ground. At the southwest corner of the Temple

Mount is Robinson Archaeological Park. There, the scattered stones are evidence of the Romans fulfilling Yeshua's prophecy.

There are many theories about the Temple's original location being at the site of the Dome of the Rock. Within the Dome lies the famous "Foundation Stone" that some believe to be the site of the Holy of Holies. However, this does not fit the Biblical narrative of the flat threshing floor that Araunah the Jebusite sold to King David (2 Sam. 24:18–25).

Dr. Widener believes that this elevated and roughly shaped summit of Mount Moriah more than likely was the cornerstone foundation for the Temple of Jupiter, which Hadrian built atop the Mount around A.D. 135. Beneath Al-Aqsa Mosque, there is evidence of the original structure of Solomon's Colonnade, which led to the Beautiful Gate. Part of the upper arch of the Beautiful Gate is still visible from the Southern Steps in the Ophel. In addition, there's an underground path leading from Al-Aqsa to the Al-Marwani Mosque, which likely is the site of "Solomon's Stables."

As for the original location of the Temple, evidence still points to the Holy of Holies being located at the Dome of the Spirits on the Temple Mount. Please watch our latest BBB episodes as we explore these topics from the Temple Mount. —Blessings, Joshua and Caleb

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Will Jesus Return in 2027? Are there two 70 weeks of Daniel? on YouTube

From G.D.L.: The Book of Revelation says that the antiChrist has to sit in the Temple and sit on the throne and claim himself to be God. Then Jesus will take His elect, and the dead in Christ will rise first, followed by those who are alive. Then the wrath of God starts.

Dear G.D.L.,

The Book of Revelation does not actually state that. We assume that you are referencing 2 Thessalonians 2, where Paul is warning the Jews in Thessalonica that they didn't miss the Second Coming — the great and terrible Day of the Lord. Paul explains that the Apostasy must happen first. Then afterward, the Beast can be revealed.

However, verses 6–8 explain that there is something holding back the appearance of the Lawless One: the Restrainer, that is, the Holy Spirit living within us. But once the Restrainer is removed (when Believers experience the Rapture), then the Beast can be revealed. It's important to understand that the Spirit of God indwelling Believers is so powerful that we could easily thwart the plans of any antiChrist. **For prophecy to be fulfilled and for the devil to have his day, Christians must be taken away.**

—Blessings, Joshua and Caleb

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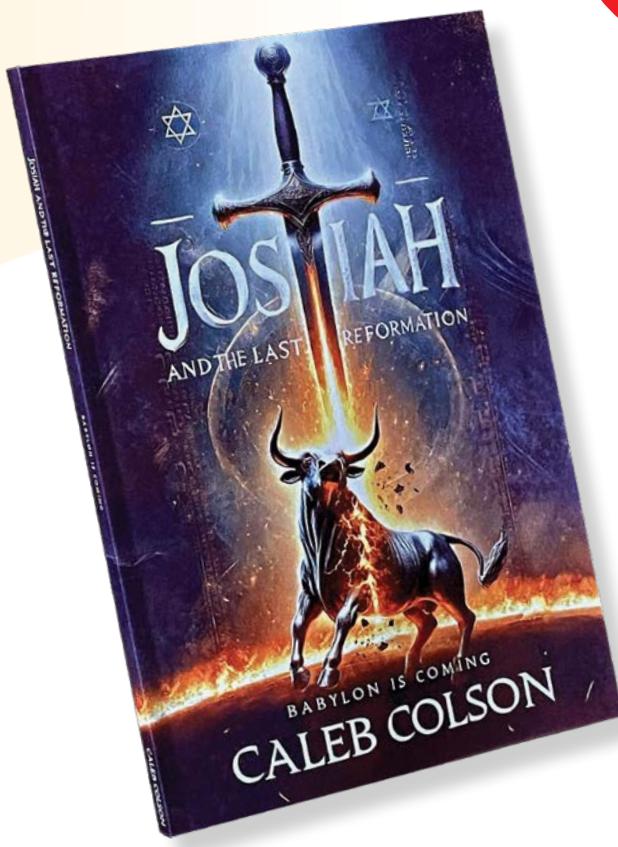
Rejecting Zionism

From E.G.: Israel isn't true Israel. October 7th was staged for a land grab. I'm Christian, and I won't support Zionism.

Dear E.G.,

We're sorry, but you are deceived by the lie of Replacement Theology. (Please see Zola's article "Addressing Replacement Theology" [on p.8](#) and "The Great Hope of Zion" [on p.16](#).) Israel is Israel. No other people group can replace the 12 tribes in God's eternal Covenant with Abraham. We pray that the Holy Spirit will open your eyes to see and understand truth. There are many false doctrines in the so-called "Church" today.

—Blessings, Joshua and Caleb ✡



Josiah and the Last Reformation book

The last days of the Kingdom of Judah relevantly parallel the Last Days in which we as Believers are living today.

During the reign of King Josiah, Babylon was coming to take Judah into exile. Likewise, for us, a future kingdom is coming — Babylon the Great — which will be ruled by the Beast. Even today, mankind commits the same acts of demon worship, idolatry, sexual perversion, and child sacrifice, by pushing Satan's "woke" ideologies that are simply rebranded false religions, self-help doctrines, increasingly wretched definitions for sexual perversion, and abortion.

In the United States, the Ten Commandments have been barred from courthouses, and prayer banished from public schools. In Israel, tradition, rabbinical doctrine, and ancient mysticism are elevated higher than Torah. Tragically, just as America and Israel are unified in their Biblical heritage, they are equally united in their ongoing rejection of Biblical principles, leading both on a collision course for judgment. Conversely, Josiah humbled himself before God, pushing the greatest moral and spiritual reformation in all history, and therefore extended God's prophetic timetable of judgment. Is there hope for our nations today? Is it too late to turn back to God?

A companion guide to the epic television series *Josiah and the Last Reformation*. Visit levitt.com/media/series/DJLR where you can watch all eight 30-minute TV programs for free.



By Adam Eliyahu Berkowitz
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Gaza Complains: Israel “Made Them Fat”

Displaced Palestinians carry food and supplies from aid trucks near the border crossing between Israel and Beit Lahia, in the northern Gaza Strip, August 18, 2025.

Hamas spent two years insisting that Israel was starving Gazans. International agencies repeated the claim, reporters amplified it, and activists weaponized it.

Recent data, however, show an obesity crisis — which existed before the war and continued throughout it. The same Hamas people who once warned of mass starvation now protest that Israel made them “gain weight,” pointing to shelves “overflowing with chocolate, soft drinks, and cigarettes.” Hamas spokesmen complain about eating processed cheese and “manufactured meat.” This pivot exposes what Israel, medical researchers, and Gaza’s own health officials have documented for years: There was never a famine.

UNICEF’s latest report compares childhood obesity rates in Israel and in areas controlled by the Palestinian Authority (PA) and Hamas. Among children aged 5–9, 28% in “Palestine” are obese. In Israel, the number is 23%. For 10–14-year-olds, the obesity is 33% in “Palestine,” versus 28% in Israel. Teens show the same pattern: 32% obesity under Hamas and the PA, 19% in Israel. In addition, nearly 40% of adults in Gaza qualify as obese. And diabetes — long documented in Gaza — causes more than 11% of deaths. These aren’t famine statistics. They reflect years of research showing that obesity was already a public-health issue in Gaza. It was made worse by cheap imported sweets, excessive sugar consumption, and a welfare structure that rewards dependence instead of productivity.

Hamas now complains about “unhealthy imports” in stores. But those items entered

Gaza through Hamas-approved channels because they were profitable. Gaza traders prioritized chocolate, soda, instant desserts, processed cheese, and other high-margin goods. UN agencies distributed these on an enormous scale. As trucks reentered Gaza under the ceasefire, residents were greeted with restocked aisles filled with sweets and sugary drinks. Local spokesmen now insist that the “overabundance” of candy is part of an Israeli conspiracy to hide the famine that UNICEF just disproved.

When international pressure was needed, Gaza was “starving.” But when obesity statistics emerged, Israel supposedly forced Gazans to overeat. Both claims emerge from the same source; both collapse under scrutiny. The numbers reveal that “Palestine” ranks among the heaviest populations in the Middle East, far above Israel.

Gaza’s crisis was never about food scarcity. It was about what Hamas chose to import, what UN agencies chose to fund, and how billions in foreign aid subsidized a dysfunctional economy under terrorist rule. Israel didn’t cause an obesity crisis in Gaza. Hamas did.

UNICEF’s report undermined years of accusations. The world demanded outrage over a famine that never existed. What it received instead was proof that Gaza’s leadership weaponized suffering while its people faced a very different health crisis created by corruption, mismanagement, and a system built to preserve victimhood rather than build a future ✩.



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Israel's First Humanoid Robot Takes a Major Leap

By Tal Shahaf
YNetNews.com



Israel's Mentee Robotics, developer of humanoid robots since 2022, recently published a series of videos to demonstrate the maturity of its technology. While the company's MenteeBot V3.0 won't replace the robot vacuum or the dishwasher in our homes anytime soon, it might be used in the industrial world for logistics tasks or on a production line.

The MenteeBot's progress is significant against the backdrop of a surge of activity in the humanoid-robot industry. The major difference is that many robots currently (or soon to be) on the market must be remotely controlled by a human operator.

The MenteeBot V3.0, unveiled in early 2025, is different. Working autonomously, the powerful robot can carry 55 pounds. It stands almost six feet tall and weighs 154 pounds. Its head is equipped with five cameras that provide 360-degree vision, and its four limbs contain 31 joints powered by high-torque motors. The battery can be replaced while the robot is in operation, allowing it to run continuously 24 hours a day.

Since its debut, Mentee has improved the robot. The hand was enhanced for a stronger grip and durability while working. Also, the walking gait has been slowed and steadied to match a factory-floor environment.

That stands in stark contrast to robots from rival firms that can run, jump, dance, or play basketball — tasks that are much less useful for industrial labor.

The robot can follow voice commands, navigate autonomously, and learn from human operators. It uses a "simulation-to-reality" pipeline — learning first in a virtual environment, then transferring to real-world action.

One video shows two robots working together: They identify boxes, sort, and



MenteeBots at work in a factory

credit: Mentee Robotics

then move them to designated locations. The robots work autonomously, using advanced machine vision and smoothly handling heavy objects at various heights.

The appeal of replacing human labor with robots is enormous for many industries — especially where labor shortages exist. According to a study by the Manufacturing Institute, around 2 million manufacturing jobs could be unfilled by 2030 if current labor gaps remain unsolved.

Mentee projects that its robots could be leased for under \$10 per hour, working 24 hours a day. That's over 700 hours per month, compared with roughly 180 hours for a human worker, with no sick days or vacations.

Initially, Mentee planned its robots for tasks like folding laundry and loading dishwashers. Over time, it has become clear that deploying robots in private homes is more complex than anticipated. In contrast, the industrial market is more ready to pay the price required for this technology. That's where Mentee wants to distinguish itself in a crowded field. 



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Israeli Docs Successfully Transplant Small Intestine

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Doctors at Israel's Rabin Medical Center successfully performed a complicated small-intestine transplant in December. Daniel Haim Biton, 36, hasn't had a functioning digestive system since he was 19.

He depended completely on parenteral nutrition (intravenous feeding). Now, however, he has the chance to live without medical devices or dietary restrictions.

"This is one of the most complex and rare procedures in modern medicine," noted surgeon Dr. Eviatar Nesher, who led a team in the seven-hour transplant operation. "Daniel is a true fighter. His resilience moved all of us."

The transplant was made possible by the organ donation from a 6-year-old boy who died from complications of the flu. His parents chose to donate his organs to save lives.

Biton, a trained chef, grew up working in his father's bakery and dreamed of a culinary career. Shortly before enlisting in the Israel Defense Forces, doctors discovered multiple polyps and tumors in his intestines. He underwent repeated surgeries, chemotherapy, removal of his intestines, and creation of a stoma. Years later, he had surgery to remove a liver metastasis.

"I lost the ability to truly eat," Biton said. "I had no sense of taste, no feeling of fullness. I ate only to taste, but nothing was absorbed. **This transplant gives me back the human experience of eating like everyone else.** It feels like being born again."



Dr. Eviatar Nesher and patient Daniel Haim Biton at Rabin Medical Center, December 2025

He added: "I want to cook again, travel the world without medical devices, start a family, open my own business — and most of all, eat and truly feel full."

A multidisciplinary team at Rabin Medical Center has followed Biton closely for years. The decision to proceed with transplantation came when long-term intravenous nutrition began posing serious risks.

An intestinal transplant is a last resort for patients with severe intestinal failure when long-term intravenous nutrition can't continue due to liver failure, repeated infections, or vascular complications. The surgery carries higher risks and lower long-term graft survival rates than most other organ transplants.

Following surgery, patients undergo prolonged intensive monitoring for rejection before gradually returning to solid food as digestive function is assessed.

For Biton, the medical breakthrough means more than survival. "I want a normal life," he said. "To eat, to cook, and to become a father."

Rabin Medical Center is responsible for approximately 70% of Israel's organ transplants. It's the only hospital in the country to have performed intestinal transplants. Biton's operation marks the third such case nationwide. 

credit: Rabin Medical Center



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A Hungarian Jew's Journey to Jesus



credit: Herzl Yosef

Balint Dent Dossé was raised in a Jewish family in Hungary that didn't believe in God. "At 14, I started asking myself questions," he explained. "I realized that in this world, if there is no purpose or hope, it's not healthy. ... I was searching for answers, and I found them in the Bible." Five years later, his search culminated in the most significant encounter: "I discovered Jesus. I realized that He is the Messiah."

At age 23, Dossé made another major decision. He left his home in Hungary, his passion for handball, and everything he knew to go to Israel. His strong faith in Jesus and life after death prompted his actions. "Without that, I wouldn't have immigrated to Israel or joined the army."

Friends and family who heard about his plan thought he was crazy. "Maybe they were right," Dossé stated, "because since I came to Israel, I joined the army and went into Gaza. It was hard for them in terms of my immigration. But as for the connection to Jesus, they cared less — they had the approach that everyone should believe whatever they want."

Dossé arrived alone in Israel. At Kibbutz Ma'agan Michael, a family adopted him and helped him begin a new life. "I didn't speak Hebrew. I didn't understand the bureaucracy. I knew nothing, and they

helped me wholeheartedly, until today," he added.

The next year, he volunteered for combat service with the IDF Paratroopers unit. That was difficult for him, since his Hebrew was shaky and he was older than most of those with him in basic training. "I suddenly felt like I was back at 16. I had so many questions like, 'God, why did You send me here?' Especially when the war broke out and we entered Gaza, I asked, 'Is this what You want from me? Are You sure? Show me it's right.'

Dossé admits he wrestled with fear from the moment he enlisted. "When the war broke out, I realized this was it. Now it's real — people are going to die here. I understood that whoever wants to come out of the war whole must accept that we could die, and deal with that. I told myself that I had to kill the fear, go in, and do what had to be done."

He explained that a Bible verse helped him overcome fear: *"There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love"* (1 John 4:18).

During active duty, all his preparation paid off. "I realized that even though

Dossé the handballer





everything was exploding around me, I had to cope with reality, and I was going to stay alive no matter what," he said.

"There were many prayers, talks with the guys to strengthen myself and them, and also many arguments. It's hard being there."

Dossé was wounded in Gaza when an RPG (rocket-propelled grenade) hit the building where he and another soldier were providing cover for others. "I had heavy bleeding, so they put on a tourniquet and evacuated us to Soroka" [Medical Center in Be'er Sheva]. Though surgery wasn't necessary and he was discharged a few days later, he still needed rehabilitation.

"For the first three months I couldn't walk.

It took me ten months to return to myself," he explained. "I wanted to come back, but on the other hand I had to deal with the injury and also with signs of PTSD. After everything that I went through, I thanked God. I prayed, 'Thank You for saving me, that my mother still has her son.'

Dossé didn't see himself as a strong person. "I was afraid; at times, I wanted to run away from the war. What held me was Jesus. He gave me the strength to cope — in the army, in Gaza, and in rehabilitation."

Even so, his journey was difficult for his family. "There were moments they told me to leave everything and come back — that they couldn't accept it," he recalled.

Now 27, Dossé has recovered from his injury and returned to his previous passion: handball. He started playing at age 13 but stopped after moving to Israel.

In Hungary, he played competitively, even at the national level.

Following rehab, Dossé joined a team in Israel's National League. He's known as a fighter because of his strength and determination, both in body and mind. "Until the game is over, it's not over. You need to play and fight until the end," he explained. "In the army, if we give up it's a matter of life and death. Giving up should not be an option, no matter how much the other side is leading."

He recently signed with a team in the Premier League. "It's another level, and it's tough. I hope I'm ready for it physically," Dossé added.



Dossé the soldier

credit: Balint Dent Dossé

He views handball as "a great opportunity to meet people and grow in this country ... to become Israeli and connect with the people." He's noticed that Israelis are passionate about playing handball: "People come because they love it and want to play."

Reflecting on the values he's seen in Israel, Dossé notes how Israelis cherish life, in contrast to Hamas's glorification of death. "Maybe we disagree about religion, but if we choose life, that comes from God, and here there is love of life." ★





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Levites on the Temple Mount

Levites Sing on Temple Mount for First Time Since A.D. 70

By Adam Eliyahu Berkowitz / Israel365News.com

The silence that has permeated the Temple Mount for nearly 2,000 years was broken in November 2025 when three Levites ascended Judaism's holiest site and sang the daily psalm. That moment marked the restoration of an ancient service that ended with the destruction of the Second Temple in A.D. 70.

The participating Levites described their experience: "We were moved today to fulfill (partially) our dream as sons of Levi — to sing the song of God on the holy mountain. Today, thank God, there are several organizations of Levites preparing for the day when we can stand again on the platform, and we invite our Levite brothers to inquire and join."

The return of Levitical song to the Temple Mount signals a generation of Jews refusing to accept the Mount's status as a place where Jewish prayer and worship remain restricted. Though current policies limit Jewish religious expression on the site, initiatives like the Levitical singing in November push the boundaries of what Jewish presence on the Mount can mean.

In the Bible, the tribe of Levi included Moses and Aaron. Kohanim (priests) are descendants of Aaron. The other members of the tribe were chosen by God to forfeit their portions of land in Israel and to serve in the Temple. The Levites performed various functions in the Temple including guarding and serving all the musical needs.

Jewish communities are scrupulous about perpetuating the status of the Levites, which is passed from father to son. Only Jewish men whose fathers were Levites are considered eligible. Comprising about 4% of the total Jewish population, they are recognized for conspicuous honors in religious services, and their status as Levites is inscribed on their gravestones.

Centenarian Makes Aliyah: "I Believe All Jews Should Live in Israel"

By Itamar Eichner / YNetNews.com



Sara Unterberg, middle, with her family in Israel

Sara Unterberg turned 100 in 2025. In November, as a birthday gift to herself, she made aliyah (a Jewish person immigrating to Israel). She was reunited with many of her family who already live in Israel.

"Uruguay gave me everything since I was a child," Unterberg stated. "But what happened on October 7 and afterward only confirmed to us that our place is in Israel. Now, Israel is welcoming me with open arms."

Born in Lithuania in 1925, Unterberg immigrated to Uruguay with her mother when

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credit: Sara Unterberg

she was just 15 months old, joining her father who had arrived earlier. Widowed at a young age, she raised three children and is now the grandmother of six and great-grandmother of 15.

A lifelong volunteer in Uruguay's Jewish community, she was deeply involved in communal life.

She also stayed closely connected to Israel, visiting multiple times in recent years for family events. "There were many

bar mitzvahs and weddings — I never wanted to miss a family gathering," she noted. "I was always connected to Israel and believed in it as the homeland of the Jewish people, but I never thought of immigrating myself until recently."

Now, she adds, "**I believe all Jews should live in Israel.** The world is becoming less safe for us. I realized I may not have much time left, and I want to spend it with my many grandchildren and great-grandchildren in Israel." ✡



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Section of Hasmonean-Period Wall Unearthed at Tower



New research has shed light on the mystery of why Jerusalemites from 2,100 years ago dismantled a large fortification wall — more massive than the current walls of the Old City — and buried the spot under a royal palace.

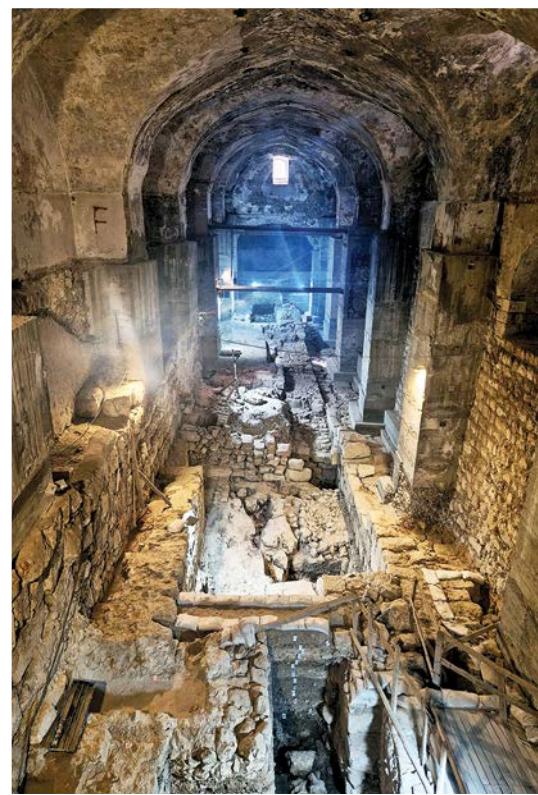
An impressive section of a wall from the second century B.C. was recently uncovered on the grounds of the Tower of David complex in the Old City. The remains — about 130 feet long and about 16.5 feet wide — were found in the area known as the Kishle complex. During the British Mandate, this complex served as a prison, including for members of the Jewish underground.

According to Dr. Amit Re'em, excavation co-director for the Israel Antiquities Authority (IAA), the wall was likely built when the Hasmonean dynasty (143–37 B.C.) was already well established, not earlier than around 140 B.C.

"The wall is made of very typical stones that are seen in Hasmonean buildings in Jerusalem and all over Israel, and the building technique is also typical [of this period]," Re'em added. "In addition, we have small finds like ceramics and coins from the Hasmonean period that relate to this wall."

Often, organic remains such as seeds, straw, or similar materials that allow for dating walls or buildings are found trapped in the mortar or cement used to build the structures. However, Re'em explained that the Hasmonean wall was erected using a dry technique, without cement or mortar.

"Josephus described this fortification very accurately, with its towers and gates," Re'em stated. Flavius Josephus was a first-century A.D. Roman-Jewish historian. "A width of 16.5 feet is really enormous, and we believe that the original height of the wall might have been



credit: Yoli Schwartz / IAA

Excavation in the Kishle

higher than the current Ottoman wall."

Despite the wall's massive size, it "was deliberately destroyed to the ground, to the base," Re'em explained. "Only the stump of the wall survived. This was no random destruction, not the aftermath of some kind of huge battle or of time passing. So, the big question is who did it?"

Josephus offered one possible explanation. He wrote that Jerusalem was attacked by the Greek King Antiochus VII Sidetes around 134 B.C. To save Jerusalem, the Hasmonean leader John Hyrcanus I agreed to destroy the city's fortifications and pay 3,000 talents of gold that he withdrew from King David's sepulcher.

In the 1980s, hundreds of catapult stones, arrowheads, slingstones, and lead bullets were found in an excavation in an area adjacent to the wall. Researchers interpreted these as evidence of Antiochus VII's siege.

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Another possible interpretation for the wall's intentional destruction relates to Herod I (or Herod the Great). Around 37 B.C., he began ruling over Judea as a client king of the Roman Empire. Herod descended from Idumaean converts to Judaism on his father's side, while his mother was an Arab.

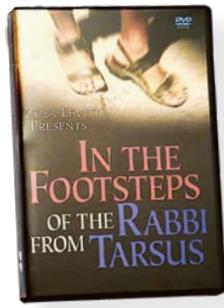
King Herod's palace was located "in the area of today's Jaffa Gate, the Tower of David, and the Armenian Quarter, as is well-described in the writings of Josephus," Re'em stated.

"Our wall was deliberately buried deep inside the foundations of Herod's palace. The question is, [if it still stood] why couldn't King Herod use this massive wall as part of his palace or his city wall?" he added. "I think the solution might be

that King Herod in those days wanted to deliver a message to the Jewish public: no more Jewish kings, no more Hasmonean dynasty. I'm here."

Other parts of the Hasmonean wall had been previously uncovered in the city. Still, this new find is especially significant in light of its size and state of preservation, and also because it allowed archaeologists to see the full width of the structure. "In most parts, only the outer face of the wall is exposed. But here, we found the inner part, which is very interesting for research," Re'em noted.

During the excavation, archaeologists also uncovered a section of an older wall, which they believe dates back to the First Temple Period (1006–586 B.C.). 



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Hamas Chief Calls for Israel's Destruction

By Akiva Van
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In December, Hamas leader Khaled Mashaal rejected U.S.- and U.N.-backed demands to disarm the Iranian-supported terrorist group and demilitarize the Gaza Strip. Speaking by video link at a pro-Palestinian conference hosted in Istanbul, Turkey, Mashaal also repeated his call for Israel's destruction.

"The time has come for the *ummah* [the Islamic world] to commit to the liberation of Jerusalem as the banner and symbol of freeing Palestine, to cleansing the blessed Al-Aqsa Mosque, and to reclaiming Islamic and Christian holy sites," Mashaal stated.

The global anti-Israel sentiment that has emerged since Hamas's October 7, 2023 massacre has created opportunities "to remove this entity [Israel] from our homeland and exclude it from the international stage," Mashaal asserted.

The terrorist leader denounced the demand that Hamas give up its weapons under U.S. President Donald Trump's ceasefire plan for the Gaza Strip. He stated that "protecting the resistance project and its weapons is the right of our people to defend themselves. The resistance and its weapons are the *ummah's* honor and pride."

Mashaal also dismissed "all forms of guardianship, mandate, and reoccupation of the Gaza Strip, the West Bank, and all of Palestine." This was another key part of the U.S. peace plan, which received backing from the United Nations Security Council on November 17.

The resolution constituted a mandate for Washington and partners to launch an International Stabilization Force and



Hamas terrorist leader Khaled Mashaal addressed an anti-Israel conference in Istanbul, Turkey via video link on Dec. 6, 2025.

a Board of Peace, which would serve as the transitional government authority for the Gaza Strip.

"The Palestinian is the one who governs himself and decides for himself," Mashaal continued. "This is our land, our homeland, our destiny, and we are a people who do not break. Two years of war have passed, and all the weapons that came to the Zionist entity from all corners of the world have failed to impose their will on our people. This is Gaza and this is the great Palestine — the one that drives out invaders."

The terrorist leader also outlined Hamas's other priorities following the war, including preventing the "Judaization" of Judea and Samaria; freeing imprisoned terrorists from Israeli jails; building Arab unity against the Jewish state; "pursuing" Israeli leaders globally; and promoting anti-Israel sentiment on campus, in media, and politics. ☩

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A cheerful heart is good medicine —
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Do It Again

At a synagogue's annual general meeting, a very wealthy man rose to talk about his Jewish faith.

"I'm a millionaire," he stated, "and I attribute my wealth to the rich blessings of God in my life.

"I remember the turning point. I had just earned my first dollar, and I went to synagogue that night. The speaker was a famous rabbi who was fundraising for his yeshiva. I had only one dollar bill, so I struggled with whether I should give all of it to God's work or nothing at all. At that moment, I decided to give my whole dollar to God. I believe that God blessed that decision, and that's why I am a rich man today."

He finished and returned to his seat. As he sat down, an older lady leaned over and challenged him: "I dare you to do it again."



Answer Key for February 2026 Crossword (p.21)

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- 3. Rejoice
- 4. Friends
- 7. Holy Spirit
- 10. Separate
- 12. Mercy
- 14. Everlasting
- 16. Another
- 17. Know
- 19. Abides
- 20. Believed
- 21. Eternal
- 22. Children

Down:

- 1. Fear
- 2. Sinners
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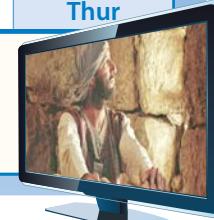
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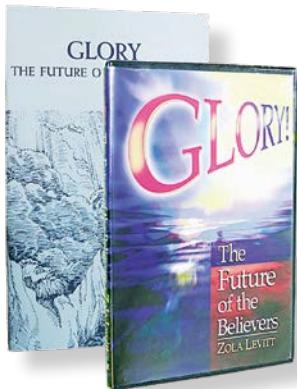
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