## CLASS 1, LESSON #1, PART II MAIN LESSON FOR REGAINING OUR IDENTITY

# IDENTITY AND COVENANT FOR

### "THE RETURNING TEN TRIBES OF ISRAEL MOVEMENT"

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#### Q: Why is this regathering done?

**A:** Because God says He made a promise regather the houses of Judah and Israel. It is for a "holy" purpose, to teach his rebellious children a lesson, to cleanse us and redeem us:

Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, 'that I will perform that good thing which I have promised unto the house of Israel and to the house of Judah.

— Jer. 33:14 (NKJV)

<sup>7</sup> And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to cease, and will build them as at the first. <sup>8</sup> And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity whereby they have sinned against Me; and I will pardon all their iniquities whereby they have sinned and whereby they have transgressed against Me.

— Jer. 33:6-7 (KJ21)

Thus saith the LORD; If my covenant be not with day and night, and if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth; <sup>26</sup> Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob and David my servant, so that I will not take any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause their captivity to return, and have mercy on them. — Jer. 33-24-25 (KJV)

And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall **assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah** from the four corners of the earth. — Isa. 11:12 (KJV)

And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall beat off from the channel of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and ye shall be **gathered one by one**, O ye children of Israel. — Isa. 27:12 (KJV)

<sup>5</sup> Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west; <sup>6</sup> I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, **Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth;** <sup>7</sup> Even **every one that is called by my name:** for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him. <sup>8</sup> Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears. <sup>9</sup> Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? Let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, **it is truth.** — Isa. 43:5-9 KJV

We can see above that the "holy purpose" for the regathering, because God is regathering His children, those called after His own name, Isra-El. God is a "Father." He says so:

They shall come with weeping, and with supplications I will lead them. I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters, in a straight way in which they shall not stumble; for I am a Father to Israel, And Ephraim is my firstborn.

—Jer. 31:9 NKJV

The regathering of Israel is for the overall purpose to teach them and the whole world through their witness the quintessential lesson that there are no other gods or saviors besides the Almighty, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel.

Unto thee it was shown, that thou mightest know that the LORD, He is God; there is none else beside Him... Know this day, and lay it to thy heart, that the LORD, He is God in heaven above and upon the earth beneath; there is none else. — Deut. 4:35, 39 (TES)

<sup>10</sup> Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. <sup>11</sup> I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no savior. <sup>12</sup> I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God. — Isa. 43:5-12 (KJV)

Yet I am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt; and thou knowest no God but Me, and **beside me there is no savior**. — Hosea. 13:4 (TES)

I am the LORD, and there is none else, beside Me there is no God; I have girded thee, though thou hast not known Me; That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside Me; I am the LORD; and there is none else; — Isa. 45:5-6 (TES)

Everything in the matter of the regathering originates in and is intrinsically tied to the "Covenant" God made with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. The Almighty is gathering us in order that the Covenant we promised to keep may finally be kept by us. The purpose of the Covenant is that His firstborn nation of priests may finally do the task they were contracted to do. That contract is that they are to be God's instruments He will teach all nations the Way of the Torah, the Way of Life till the knowledge of God shall cover the Earth as the waters cover the seas. God wants His children to be his trusted servants to do His "Work" of teaching godly character to all His children.

And it shall come to pass that, as you were a curse among the nations, **O house** of Judah and house of Israel, so will I save you, and you shall be a blessing; fear not, but let your hands be strong. — Zach. 8:13 (TES)

For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea. —Hab. 2:14 (KJV)

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### Q: How and where are we to start on our part in this Divine regathering effort?

A: First we need to own our identity as "the returning Ten Tribes" in the latter days. That includes owning our major collective sin of having left the Covenant we made with the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. That means we have to confess that individually and set our sights on the goal to returning ourselves to the Covenant. Next we need to enlighten all our brothers and sisters who are coming alive to reorient themselves to our more precise collective identity as the "Returning Ten Tribes of Israel" and set our directions to return to the Covenant as the final goal. We are NOT to identify with our prison houses in any way anymore. Our previous name for the awakening Ten Tribes was "the Hebrew Roots Movement." That served us well at earlier times of awakening. Now we need to sharpen our focus and learn what we are actually to return. We cannot go back in history and return to it. The Almighty wants His children to learn from our prison sentence and grow in maturity and arrive where we have never been, where He wants us to be. That status is that of "repentant" humbled and trusted servants whose fealty is unquestionable because their values are aligned with the Creator's values. As the pioneering Remnant, this is what our character needs to be with which we are to build "the Highway of Return for those who will follow us. This is the defining and unifying factor in the Returning Ten Tribes Movement.

## Q: Why do we need to emphasize this "collective sin?" Are we not OK in our own "Hebrew Roots" congregations?

**A:** When Deborah was judge of Israel, she berated some of the Tribes who stayed in their sheepfolds and let the other Tribes fight it out. They stayed in their sheepfolds with their new gods... with endless deliberations and discussions. They did not come to the aid of the nation and rise to the occasion as men with their God-given masculine role ought to do. They lacked vision and informed leadership and were about to perish till Deborah stepped into the gap. The situation is similar to what has been happening in the "Hebrew Roots Movement." In it there are great deliberations of the heart and discussions re doctrines. Many are ending up with various versions of church doctrines picked up in the prison houses for the last 2000 years. Many stay in and focus in on their own sheepfolds, bound by the doctrinal baggage of the churches. They do not unite as the "returning" Ten Tribes for what truly matters, the restoration of the functional and dynamic identity of the "returning" Ten Tribes of Israel. While this is expected after almost 3000 years of being separated from the Covenant we made with the Creator, now it is time to look into the matter of the Covenant as the "binding" precept which will help us to reconnect to our lost national identity.

Q: Why is the emphasis on the "national identity of Israel" so important goal?

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Judges 5:8, 16

**A:** The national identity of Israel is intrinsically bound to the Covenant they made with the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. It is an *identity-defining contract*. We as a nation of the northern House of Israel have cast that Covenant away and with it we cast our heritage and identity away. That heritage is God's Torah, whose central girder is the Covenant.

Moses commanded us a law, [Torah] even the inheritance of the congregation of Jacob. —Deut. 33:4 (KJ21)

Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the **heritage of Jacob** thy father; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." —Isa. 58:14 (KJ21)

Therefore, to regain our unique identity among the nations of the world, we need to return to the Covenant and regain our identity as **Brit Am, a Covenant People**. We have promised to be the "People of the Covenant." Now it is time for the Remnant to actually start the process to become that entity and blaze a trail for others to follow.

And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the LORD.

—Ex. 19:8 (BRG)

And Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and all the judgments: and all the people answered with one voice, and said, all the words which the LORD hath said will we do. —Ex. 24:3 (BRG)

And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, all that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient.

—Ex. 24:7 (BRG)

Go thou near, and hear all that the LORD our God shall say: and speak thou unto us all that the LORD our God shall speak unto thee; and **we will hear** *it*, **and do** *it*. —Deut. 5:27 (BRG)

This is our **greatest national sin: BREACH OF CONTRACT WITH GOD.** It is **the** reason why we were cast out of the Land; it is **the** reason why we lost our name "Israel." Because we added other gods of the nations to the Almighty, worshipped them and learned their ways and for which we gave up our heritage of national calling for lies and vanity. Because of this egregious offence and sin we did not "prevail with God" as the name Israel was to express. Consequently we spiritually died. This was the charge against us and is still so till the last days:

"In the time of my favor I will answer you, and in the day of salvation I will help you I will keep you and will make you to be a **covenant for the people**, to restore the land and to reassign its desolate inheritances, — Isa. 49:8 (KJ21)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> I, the LORD, have called Thee in righteousness, and will hold Thine hand, and will keep Thee, and give Thee for a **covenant of the people**, for a light of the Gentiles; —Isa. 42:6 (KJ21)

"In the time of my favor I will answer you, and in the day of salvation I will help you I will keep you and

And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria, and put them in Halah and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes: **Because they obeyed not the voice of the Lord their God, but transgressed his covenant,** and all that Moses the servant of the Lord commanded, and would not hear them, nor do them — Il Kings 18:11-12 (KJV)

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Ephraim is joined to idols; let him alone — Hosea 4:17 (TES)
הַבּוּר עֵצַבִּים אֶפָּרֵיִם הַנַּח-לו:
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O LORD, my strength, and my stronghold, and my refuge, in the day of affliction, unto Thee shall the nations<sup>3</sup> come from the ends of the earth,<sup>4</sup> and shall say: 'Our fathers have inherited naught but lies, vanity and things wherein there is no profit.' — Jer. 16:19 (KJV)

Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the Lord their God, and David their king; and shall fear the Lord and his goodness in the **latter days**.

— Hosea 3:5 (KJV)

This idolatry of the Ten Tribes of trading the Covenant for the ways of the nations was to last till the latter days. The Christianity of their prison houses will not have reformed them. We know this due to what Ephraim's final resolution is at the end of the Book of Hosea:

Ephraim [shall say]: **'What have I to do any more with idols?'** As for Me, I respond and look on him; I am like a leafy cypress-tree; from me is thy fruit found. Whoso is wise; let him understand these things, whoso is prudent, let him know them. For the ways of the LORD are right and the just do walk in them; but transgressors do stumble therein. — Hosea 14:8 (KJV)

We lost our contract-related office and role the nation of priests.

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that **thou shalt be no priest to me**; **seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God**, I also will forget thy children.

— Hosea 4:6 (KJV)

נְדְמוּ עַמִּי מִבְּלִי הַדָּעַת כִּי-אַתָּה הַדַּעַת מָאַסְתָּ ואמאסאך *(וְאֶמְאָסְדּ) מִבַּהֵן לִי* וַתִּשְׁכַּח תּוֹרַת אֵלֹהֵידְ אֵשִׁכַּח בַּנִידְ גַּם-אַנִי :

We are addressed as "priests" even when we are rebuked in the Book of Hosea:

<sup>3</sup> The context of the chapter shows that "the nations" are not non-Israelites, but the Tribes of Israel grown into great nations at the ends of the earth e.g. Jer. 16:19-18, etc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Thou hast increased the nation, O LORD, Thou hast increased the nation. Thou art glorified; Thou hadst **removed it far unto all the ends of the earth.**—Isa. 26:15 (KJ21); The isles saw it, and feared; **the ends of the earth** were afraid, drew near, and came.— Isa. 41:5(KJV);. <sup>9</sup> Thou whom I have taken **from the ends of the earth**, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, 'Thou art My servant; I have chosen thee and not cast thee away'——Isa. 41:9 (KJ21).

Hear ye this, O **priests**; and hearken, **ye house of Israel**; and give ye ear, O house of the king; for judgment is toward you, because ye have been a snare on Mizpah, and a net spread upon Tabor. — Hosea 5:1(KJV

We are now living in the "latter days" when all the twelve Tribes of Israel are to gather themselves together, (Gen. 49:1-2). The House of Judah, with God's help has made a foothold in the Land in 1948 and they are gathering Jews to the Land and to the Torah. The so-called "lost Ten Tribes" are beginning to be resurrected from "spiritual death "in the Valley of Dry Bones (Ezekiel 37). They are called to wake up and return to "the" God, to His Torah and to His Covenant. Eventually the great sin of casting away the Covenant will need to be confessed by all of them. It is an absolute "must" we are to do to be restored to our status as "priests" and "people of the Covenant, a "Brit Am." The Covenant is our connection to God. It enables us to "prevail" with God as our father Jacob did

And they shall confess their **iniquity**, and the iniquity of their fathers, in their **treachery** which they committed against me, and also that they have **walked contrary unto me**.

— Lev. 26:40 (TES)

This **breach of contract**, this horrendous offence will need to be confessed and asked forgiveness for. The Church with its replacement theology and triumphant philosophy has no such contract, whose breach they need to confess. Israel does. The Ten Tribes do have such an "offence."

I will go and return to my place, **till they acknowledge their offence**, and seek my face; in their trouble they will seek me earnestly: — Hosea 5:15 (KJV)

This is the message we need to broadcast with our trumpet blasts to the Ten Tribes:

**Set the horn to thy mouth.** As a vulture his cometh against the house of the LORD; because they **have transgressed my covenant**, and **trespassed against my law** [Torah].....

"....Will they cry unto me: 'My God, we Israel know Thee'? 12 Though I write for him never so many things of My Law [Torah], they are accounted as a stranger thing."

— Hosea 8:1-2, 12 (KJV)

But they like men have **transgressed the covenant**: there have they dealt treacherously against me. — Hosea 6:7 (KJV)

Jeremiah composed a prayer of repentance for Judah, about the same sin. We can use this prayer as a pointer and a pattern model of what we of the Returning Ten Tribes need to pray privately and collectively:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> We acknowledge, O LORD, our wickedness and the iniquity of our fathers; for we have sinned against Thee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Do not abhor us, for Thy name's sake; do not disgrace the throne of Thy glory; remember, break not Thy covenant with us. —Jer. 14:20-21 (KJ21)

After the chastising in the latter days, they will return to the ETERNAL Covenant, which will be remade, renewed with BOTH houses of Israel, (Jer. 31:31-34). The two houses of Israel will be reunited under **the remade ONLY Covenant**. Then they will earnestly take up their original contract work of teaching the Torah to all the nations of the world, till the knowledge of God will cover the Earth as the waters cover the seas:

For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. — Hab. 2:14 (KJV)

And it shall come to pass that, as you were a curse among the nations, O house of Judah and house of Israel, so will I save you, and you shall be a blessing; fear not, but let your hands be strong. — Zach. 8:13 (KJV)

### Q: What is our mission then in the here and now?

**A:** As the vanguard of the RTT, our mission is to gather those whom the Almighty calls to wake up, and to orient them to the "lost heritages" of the Ten Tribes, of Israel. This group is the prophesied "Remnant" of Israel who is to build the holy "Highway of Return." That means first, and foremost the way of the Torah whose core is the Covenant we made with the Almighty. That is what defines us as the "people of the Covenant." If we lost our holy identity as Israel, because we left the Covenant we made with the Almighty and were cast out of our Land because of it, then it only stands to reason that we return to that holy identity by returning to the Torah and its Covenant that made us God's holy servants. It is the direction to go if we are to be restored to our former status as the "mamlechet Cohanim," the Kingdom of Priests.

And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

— Exodus 19:6 (KJV)

For thou art a **holy** people unto the Lord thy God, and the Lord hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself, **above all the nations** that are upon the earth. — Deut.14:2 (KJV)

And to make thee high **above all nation**s which he hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honor; and that thou mayest be an **holy** people unto the Lord thy God, as he hath spoken. — Deut. 26:19 (KJV)

Yet now hear O *Jacob my servant; and Israel*, whom I have chosen: Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, **my servant**; and thou, Jeshurun, whom I have chosen... **Remember these, O Jacob and Israel; for thou art my servant:** I have formed thee; **thou art my servant:** O Israel, **thou shalt not be forgotten of me.** — Isa. 44: 1-2, 21 (KJV)

O Israel, return unto the LORD thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine **iniquity.**— Hosea 14: 2 (KJV)

**A:** After we admit and humbly confess our departure from the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, of having broken the Covenant / Contract, we need to humbly return to Him and to His Covenant via the path of the Torah. That Path will need to be restored among us, for it has fallen into severe misuse, disuse, neglect, deterioration and alteration. We, in the beginning of the return of the Ten Tribes, are as pioneers who are to blaze a trail for many others to follow. We have been called into this "service" in the army of **warrior servants** of the Living God. Yes, *warrior servants*, for like those on a heroic mission, we are and will be fought by deniers, deceivers and enemies of all kinds. We are to take encouragement and restore the ancient "holy" paths:

Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and **ask for the old paths**, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein. — Jer. 6:16 (KJV)

Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways from the ancient paths, to walk in paths, in a way not cast up; — Jer. 18:15 (KJV)

Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law [Torah]; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings. — Isa. 51:7 (KJV)

And shall say, Cast ye up, cast ye up, prepare the way, take up the stumblingblock out of the way of my people.

— Isa. 57:14 (KJV) PR 8-10-2017

And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places; thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations, and thou shalt be called the **Repairer of the Breach, the Restorer of Paths to dwell in**.

— Isa, 58:12 KJ21 PR 3-15-1992

And a **highway** shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called **the Way of Holiness**. The unclean shall not pass over it, but it shall be for those; the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein. — Isa. 35:8 (KJV)

We, the early contingent who have been let out of our prison houses to prepare **the** "holy" Highway of Return for the Ten Tribes have been specially selected and called as candidates who will likely accept to execute this mission. We are told what to do:

Go through, go through the gates; **prepare ye the way of the people**; cast up, **cast up the highway**; gather out the stones; **lift up a standard for the people**.

- Isa. 62:10 (KJV)

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her *warfare* is accomplished, that her iniquity is

pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD's hand double for all her sins. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, **Prepare ye the way of the LORD**, **make straight in the desert a highway for our God.** — Isa. 40:1-3 KJV

Q: What about those who are not called, who do not resonate to return to the Covenant, those who are in the Christian churches, those who preach against us, or those of our people who are secular, and could not care less?

**A:** The answer is found in what the Almighty told Solomon, when He appeared to him in a dream. This was a response to Solomon's dedication of the Temple. The Almighty told him that when He would send afflictions on Israel, e.g.

"Shut up the heaven that there be no rain, or if I send locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people. — II Chron. 7:13 (TES)

When this happens, this is what we the pioneer returnees of Israel are to preach this ancient Godly advice to our people: It is a **national message of a call to repentance from the national sins of having departed from the national holy calling and sinking into our Godless "wicked ways."** The idea here is to trumpet the prophetic message out to the target audience, THE TEN TRIBES of ISRAEL, worldwide, especially to their nations in the West and pray for them, that the message may sink in and they may remember their identity in their hearts when their ears and eyes are opened.

If My people, upon whom My name is called, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their evil ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. — II Chron. 7:14 (TES)

In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the children of Israel shall come, they and the children of Judah together, **going and weeping: they shall go, and seek the LORD their God.** — Jer. 50:4 (KJV)

### Q: What is the "Testimony" of God and why is it important for the "returning Ten Tribes to remember?

**A:** Because we did not remember God's "testimony" of our history, we became somebody else. Now that our eyes and ears are being opened, we need to read and study these testimonies written for our benefit. At first the Ark was not called the *Ark of the Covenant* but the "Ark of the Testimony" (Ex. 25:22, Num. 4:5, Joshua 4:16). The tabernacle was called "the Tent of Testimony" (Ex. 38:21, Num. 10:11, II Chron. 24:6). *The testimony* refers to the revelatory self-witness of God to His people then and there with Moses and to all generations for all time to come, (Ex. 25:22, 33:9-11, Num. 7:89; Ex. 29:42). In short, the idea of *testimony* is intrinsic to the idea of Biblical revelation.

From our perspective at this time, the "testimony" is the sacred history of Israel that is recorded in the Bible. It contains God's revelations, which testify of Himself, His plan for Israel, instructions/Torah, and guiding principles of standards, truths, legislations, work, Covenants

and expectations for Israel. Further, these records affirm the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as a promise-keeping God (Psalm 89:35-37, Jer. 33:20-21, 25).

The prophecies in the Torah and by extension in the Prophets reveal God's plan. In them the Almighty testifies against Israel (II Chron. 24:19;<sup>5</sup> Amos 3:13<sup>6</sup>) and the world in general (Zeph. 3:8). His *Testimony* is the legal proof of God's trustworthiness. In ancient times the sacred places where God put His name and their historic monuments in Israel attested to the trustworthiness of God's revelation of Himself to them. The Song of Moses (Deut. 31:14-32:44) and the Book of the Torah and its Covenant with its prophetic clauses (Deut. 31:26) stand as testimony against Israel and for God's righteousness. The history of prophetic fulfillment also testifies its reliability (Amos 3:7, Isa. 42:9, 44:7, Jer. 30:24). These preserved documents contain God's prediction of Israel casting away the Torah and rebelling against the Covenant, of their turning to idols, their subsequent punishments and exiles, as well as their eventual regathering at the end of the age allotted for man to try his ways. Israel's record of apostasy verifies the reliability of God's predictions and the trustworthiness of God's entire revelation given through Moses.

Of course, the Biblical history of Israel is corroborated by correct secular history, as inYair Davidiy's books<sup>7</sup> and by a growing number of books by others which utilize now-revealed Biblical keys with which they trace the trail of the Ten Tribes throughout history.

### Q: Are there specific testimonies (besides the Book of Hosea) written for us, the "returning Ten Tribes?"

**A:** It is most important to remember what the "testimony" is against us. Psalm 78 is such a specific indicting testimony. It tells the TT that the "dark sayings" of old," will be revealed for us to understand. The Torah tells us to "remember" 169 times. This is one of the testimonies, specifically written by the seer Asaph which we of the RTT are to remember:

Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth.<sup>2</sup>I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old:<sup>3</sup>Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.<sup>4</sup>We will not hide them from their children, shewing to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done.<sup>5</sup> For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children:<sup>6</sup>That the generation to come might know them, even the children which should be born; who should arise and declare them to their children:<sup>7</sup> That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:<sup>8</sup> And might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not steadfast with God.<sup>9</sup> The children of Ephraim, being armed, and carrying bows, turned back in the day of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> "Yet he sent prophets to them, to bring them again unto the LORD; and they testified against them: but they would not give ear" — II Chron. 24:19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> "Hear ye, and testify in the house of Jacob, saith the Lord God, the God of hosts" — Amos 3:13

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> http://www.Britam.org, http://www.HebrewNations.com

battle.<sup>10</sup> They kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his law;<sup>11</sup> And forgat his works, and his wonders that he had shewed them.

— Psalm 78:1-11 (KJV)

Because they believed not in God, and trusted not in His salvation:

— Psalm 78:22 (KJV)

And they remembered that God was their rock, and the high God their redeemer. Nevertheless they did flatter him with their mouth, and they lied unto him with their tongues.<sup>37</sup> For their heart was not right with him, neither were they steadfast in his covenant. — Psalm 78:35-37 (KJV)

Yet they tempted and provoked the most high God, and kept not His **testimonies:**<sup>57</sup> But turned back, and dealt unfaithfully like their fathers: they were turned aside like a deceitful bow. — Psalm 78:56-57 (KJV)

Moreover he refused the tabernacle of Joseph, and chose not the tribe of Ephraim: <sup>68</sup> But chose the tribe of Judah, the mount Zion which he loved.

— Psalm 78:67-68 (KJV)

We are told in the last chapter of Malachi what to remember:

**Remember ye the law [Torah] of Moses** my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, even statutes and ordinances. — Mal. 3:22 (ASV)

That is why we, in the Returning Ten Tribes Movement, the people of Joseph, of Ephraim, of Menashe and the trest of the Ten Tribes are told to "remember" for we have forgotten our heritage and where we came from. Therefore Isaiah tells us what to do NOW:

Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the **Rock** whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged.

<sup>2</sup> Look unto **Abraham your father, and unto Sarah** that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him.

<sup>3</sup> For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

<sup>4</sup> Hearken unto me, my people; and give ear unto me, **O my nation**: **for a law [Torah] shall proceed from me,** and I will make my judgment to rest for a light of the people.

<sup>5</sup> My righteousness is near; my salvation is gone forth, and mine arms shall judge the people; **the isles** shall wait upon me, and on mine arm shall they trust.

— Isa. 51:1-5(KJV)

We, the first-awakened contingent of the returning "Lost Ten Tribes" who have been exiled from our "Israel" identity and have been labeled by God, "Lo-Ruhama, /Not Having Received

Mercy," and "Lo Ammi / Not My People, (Hosea 1:6, 9) are now encouraged with an emboldening prophecy to spearhead the movement to regain our original God-given identity as:

Hearken unto Me, you that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is My law; [Torah] fear you not the taunt of men, neither be you dismayed at their revilings... He that is bent down shall speedily be loosed; and he shall not go down dying into the pit, neither shall his bread fail. For I am the LORD thy God, who stirreth up the sea, that the waves thereof roar; the LORD of hosts is His name. And I have put My words in thy mouth, and have covered thee in the shadow of My hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion: 'Thou art My people.' — Isa. 51:7, 14-16 (TES)

Everything in the Bible is based on God's testimony of truths and the Covenants therein. As the creation itself is bound together by the laws that govern it, likewise the plan of the Almighty for the kingdom of Israel is being carried out for the Redemption of the world.

'Considerest thou not what this people have spoken, saying: The two families which the LORD did choose, He hath cast them off? And they contemn My people, that they should be no more a nation before them. Thus saith the LORD: If My covenant be not with day and night, if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth; then will I also cast away the seed of Jacob, and of David My servant, so that I will not take of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; for I will cause their captivity to return, and will have compassion on them.' — Jer. 33:24-26 (TES)

God is faithful to the Covenant He made with us and wants from us faithfulness to the Covenant we made with Him. He gives us a lot of pointers re what to do:

And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me. 41 Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.

— Jer. 32:40-41 (KJV)

For there shall be a day, that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the Lord our God. — Jer. 31:6 (KJV)

All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth unto such as keep his **covenant** and his testimonies. — Ps. 25:10 (KJV)

That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but **keep his commandments:** —Psalm 78:10 (KJV)

That they might observe his statutes, and keep his laws.

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— Psalm 105:45 (KJV)
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Blessed are they that keep his testimonies and that **seek him with the whole heart.** — Psalm 119:2 (KJV)

Remove from me reproach and contempt; for I have kept thy testimonies.

— Psalm 119:22 (KJV)

Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end. Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart. — Psalm 119:33-34 (KJV)

This I had, because I kept thy precepts. — Psalm 119:56 (KJV)

The proud have forged a lie against me: but I will keep thy precepts with my whole heart. — Psalm 119:69 (KJV)

I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.

— Psalm 119:100 (KJV)

Depart from me, ye evildoers: for I will keep the commandments of my God.

— Psalm 119:115 (KJV)

Thy testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them.

— Psalm 119:129 (KJV)

I cried with my whole heart; hear me, O LORD: I will keep thy statutes.

— Psalm 119:145 (KJV)

Let us see how our estrangement from our God and the Covenant we made with Him will end. At this point we need to contemplate the Covenant, our Father, His faithfulness, ourselves.... and weep.....

And I will betroth thee unto Me forever; yea, I will betroth thee unto Me in righteousness, and in justice, and in lovingkindness, and in compassion. And I will betroth thee unto Me in faithfulness; and thou shalt know the LORD.

— Hosea 2:21-22 (TES)



### How to study and retain the contents of this lesson:

Thank God for these principles and ask for yourself and all others concerned for His help in taking these points to heart.

Study with a buddy or small group or class.

Go to the **study page** of this lesson, print out the pages and say aloud and write down the answers to the questions from memory without looking at this lesson.

Review this lesson and correct your answers. Mark the references in your Bible so you will know where to look up these Scriptural foundations. Create Cross references. Have someone to ask you the questions and tell him/her the correct answers. When answering, turn to the key points marked in your Bible.

Practice till you know all the answers of this lesson by heart. You will need to know all of them to act accordingly and to give them to others who will be sent to you.

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