

**THE SEED WARS**  
**(Israel in God's Redemption Plan)**  
**PART 6 Restoration & Return**

I. Righteous Gentiles

Whilst the church did much violence towards the Jews, God kept a remnant whom He could use to restore them. He had them hidden away.

A. England

1. Late 1500s Puritans – wanted to reform the church of England, believed the Bible prophesies of the return of Israel to be literal.
2. 1807 - the London Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews was established, they had two purposes win them to the Lord, bring them back to the land.
3. 1838 - British established a consulate in Jerusalem.
4. 1841 the Anglican church appointed a man to be the Bishop of Jerusalem, Michael Solomon Alexander.

B. America

1. In 1818, President John Adams wrote, "I really wish the Jews again in Judea an independent nation".
2. 1866 Christians from Jonesport, Maine sent wooden houses to Tel Aviv, to rebuild Israel.
3. Herman Melville (1819 – 1891) author of Moby Dick, wrote:

*The Hebrew seers announce in time  
the return of Judah to her prime;  
Some Christians deemed it then at hand  
Here was an object. Up and On.  
With seed and tillage help renew –  
Help reinstate the Holy Land*

C. Japan

1. In 1930 God raised Pastor Juji Nakada to teach his disciples to pray for Israel.
2. They greeted Jewish refugees with food when they arrived in Japan during WWII.
3. The church is called Seisho Kenkyu Kai (The Bible Study Fellowship)
4. Today there is a network of churches and ministries in Asia called Asia Messianic Forum.
5. Chuine Sugihara – Japanese ambassador to Lithuania, issued thousands of visas to European Jews to escape the holocaust.



While Satan was trying to destroy the Jewish people, God was preparing to fulfil His word to restore them.

## II. Regathering

### A. Prophecies

Bible holds many prophecies regarding the regathering of Israel.

1. Jeremiah 31:8
2. Isaiah 49:22 – Gentiles will carry them home.
3. Ezekiel 37:20-22 – Israel and Judah will be reunited.

At the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century Jews began to return to Israel, then called Palestine.

### B. Fulfilment

#### 1. Joseph Raboniwitz – 1837

- Chasidic Jew from Ukraine. Looking for the solution to the problem of Jewish people in Russia.
- Only solution – find a place for them in Palestine.
- Given a New Testament and brings it with him to Palestine.
- On the Mt of Olives, he had a vision of Yeshua
- Returns and starts the first messianic congregation since Acts.
- He died in 1899 and is known as the Father of Messianic Judaism
- Congregation is destroyed in the holocaust.

#### 2. Theodore Hertzl – born in Budapest, Hungary in 1860

- He believed that for Jews to live peacefully in the nations they should be citizens of the nation first and Jews second.
- As a reporter he went to France to cover the trial of Alfred Dreyfuss, French Jew accused of spying for Germany. He sees that there is no justice for Jews and started to promote the idea of a sovereign Jewish state.
- 1896 he wrote “Jewish State” with vision for a place for Jews with Jews supporting the Aliyah.
- Forms Jewish congress which convened in November 1897 in Basel Switzerland.



- After the congress he wrote in his diary “I have created the Jewish state and if not in 5, then in 50 years the world would see it.”
- In November 1947 the League of Nations (predecessor to the UN) voted on the question of a state for the Jews, it was passed by one vote. Exactly 50 years later.
- Hertzl died in 1904

### 3. **Chaim Weitzman** took over in 1906, he came from Russia.

Grew up and was educated in Germany, went to England.

He met with Lord Arthur Balfour a Christian Zionist and discussed Palestine, he said “we had Jerusalem when London was a swamp” Balfour is convinced that the Jews need their own land.

In 1917 Balfour wrote “The Balfour Declaration” on behalf of the British government, guaranteeing unlimited right of return for the Jewish people to “Palestine”.

Arabs got very angry, and the British government reneged on this.

### C. In the Church

While God was at work with the Jewish people, He also began to work in the church.

As Jews began to return to the land revivals broke out

1901 – Revival in Topeka, Kansas

1909 – Azusa Street

1930 – SKK church Japan

### D. Post Holocaust

- Israel’s return to the land was very difficult.
- The land was controlled by the British, when refugees arrived on boats many were turned away, some managed to enter but were placed in an internment camp near Haifa, called Atlit.
- Many were sent to Cyprus where they were placed in camps as well.
- Although they were not abused in these camps, it was an eerily similar situation as the camps in Europe.

### E. Rebirth

- While under the British mandate, the Jews created the “Haganah” a guerrilla force to fight British occupancy.
- In 1948, the British announced that they were withdrawing from the land, the date set was May 15, 1948 which was Saturday.



- Jewish leaders hurriedly called an assembly in Tel Aviv on Friday May 14 at 3.00 pm before Shabbat began. In 90 minutes, David Ben Gurion declared the birth of the state of Israel.
- Isaiah 66:8 can a nation be born in a day?
- In 1948 there was a revival that started in Canada, the Latter Rain Revival

The re-birth of Israel was a massive blow to Satan, suddenly the nation was on the world map again. He immediately launches attacks against the fledgling state.

### III. Wars of Israel

#### A. Independence War

- Actually, began in November 1947 after the UN declaration giving Israel statehood.
- Israel had no weapons, Golda Meir went to New York and spoke for 15 mins to Jewish philanthropists and raised 25 million dollars.
- Israel ordered surplus weapons from Europe.
- On May 15 1948 five nations, Egypt, Jordan, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon attacked the new state.
- Israel lost 6,000 people in this war, but they were able to defeat the enemies and gain more territory.

#### B. Six Day War

- 5 – 10 June 1967: Syria, Egypt and Jordan planned to attack Israel.
- Israel carries out a pre-emptive strike and within two days decimate the air forces of Egypt and Syria.
- They win the war in six days and gains Gaza, West Bank, Sinai Peninsula and most importantly Jerusalem.
- For the first time since the Maccabees Jews had control of Jerusalem, although the Temple Mount itself remained in control of Jordan.

#### C. In America

- In the 70s there was a Revival in America – The Jesus Movement, many hippies got saved.
- Among them many Jewish hippies. They began to question if they could believe in Jesus and remain Jewish – birth of Messianic Judaism.
- 70s to 80s, Holy Spirit fell – Charismatic movement across all denominations.



#### D. Yom Kippur War:

- October 6 – 26 1973
- Egypt and Syria attack Israel,
- Israel takes the Golan Heights.

#### E. Other Significant Events

- 1968 – formation of Palestinian Liberation Organization
- 1988 – Arafat unilaterally declared a Palestinian state.
- 1993/1995 – Israel and Palestinians sign Oslo Accords
- 2000 – Intifadah (Uprising) when Ariel Sharon went up to the Temple Mount of the Feast of Tabernacles.
- 2005 – Israel forcefully evicted Jewish settlers from Gaza and gave it to Palestinians.

### IV. Israel's Prophetic Destiny

Israel will still have to fight many wars; most well known are Gog and Magog and Armageddon.

#### A. God will make Jerusalem a very heavy stone. (Zechariah 12:3-5)

##### 1. Recent History:

2016 Britain votes to leave the EU, Cameron resigned, and Teresa May became PM.

September 2016 – UNESCO makes declaration that Jerusalem and Temple Mount not connected to Jewish people.

November 2016 – Trump wins the US election.

December 2016 – Obama convinces Egypt to submit a resolution against Israel at the UN security council, Egypt submits then withdraws it on 22 December (Prayers raised),

New Zealand submits it on 23 December, one day before Hanukkah, celebration of Jewish resistance against Greeks in 164 BC. US should veto the resolution but at Obama's instruction the ambassador abstains, the resolution is passed.

January 15, 2017 – 70 nations gather in Paris to discuss Middle-east peace without Israel and Palestine, they wanted to push it through before Trump's inauguration, this time Teresa May tells UK representative to vote against it. It was reported that there was chaos in the meeting. Nothing comes out of it.



May 14 2018 – US embassy in Jerusalem opens

B. Armageddon

Nations will become very angry at Israel and will plan to attack Jerusalem. – Zechariah 12:3-5

Israel will cry for God and great revival will break out and they will recognize Messiah Yeshua and welcome him back– Zechariah 12:10-14, Matthew 23:39

Yeshua will return and fight for Jerusalem – Zechariah 14:1-5, Revelation 19:11-16

Yeshua will bind Satan for 1000 years – Revelation 20:1-3

C. Yeshua will judge the nations:

Basis of judgment – how they treated Israel – Joel 3:1-3, 12, Isaiah 66:6, Matthew 25:31-46

D. Gog and Magog

Satan is released after 1000 years, he deceives the nations and they attack Israel

Ezekiel 38 & 39, Revelation 20:7-10

Yeshua will crush this rebellion and finally throw Satan, the false prophet and the beast into the lake of fire.

E. New Jerusalem – Revelation 21

It will be a Jewish city

Gates – twelve tribes: Rev 21:12

Foundations – 12 (Jewish) Apostles Rev 21:14

The King will still be Jewish - Acts 1:10-11. He was crowned King of the Jews by Pilate

He will sit on the throne of David: Luke 1:32-33

Finally, the Seed will rule as Lord and King. Thus, the Seed Wars will end.

