

God's great promises. Part 2

Israel restored

Israel, the only nation on earth with whom God ever made a covenant (Genesis 17.7), *officially rejected Jesus!*

Subsequently the Romans drove Israel off her land, and the banishment lasted 2000 years!

Though scattered worldwide all that time, unique things happened! (1) Israel's national identity remained intact! (2) Israel retained interest in her land; (3) after all those years, their land was still vacant and therefore available to them!

Not only has God never repealed his land grant to Abraham, Genesis 17.8, he foretold through his prophet Ezekiel how he would bring to an end Israel's 2000 year exile –

“I will take you from among the nations, and gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land . . . I will also cause your cities to be inhabited, and the waste places shall be rebuilt, and the desolate land shall be tilled, which had laid desolate in the sight of all who passed by.” Ezekiel 36.24, 33-34.

In our own day it happened! Israel back in her land and, in May, 1948, officially restored to nationhood.

And who is this who has been so busy honouring Abraham's nation, Israel? None other than the God of creation.

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Who is at God's right hand in heaven, interceding for us? A Jew named Jesus. Romans 8.34.

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