

Where Did Judaism Originate?

Their remains a great gulf between Christianity and the Jew since they totally rejected Jesus Christ and Christianity. This rejection and hatred continues today and includes the bible too, with few Christians understanding that Judaism is not based on the Old Testament, nor even the Torah (books of Moses) but on the Jewish Talmud.

The Jewish Talmud being a collection of books written in the centuries immediately before and shortly after Christ and contain the accumulated sayings of the 'learned' Jewish sages and Rabbis, including the 'oral law' which they believe was handed down by Moses to the religious leaders, parallel, but different to the 'written law' as recorded in the first 5 books of the bible.

The Jewish Talmud is a most blasphemous book and also very violent and anti-Christian in nature. It condones and encourages every possible crime and perversion provided it is against a 'non-Jew'. Non-Jews being described as 'Goy' or 'Goyim', which translates as 'Cattle' in English.

True Origin of Judaism Kept Secret

The authors of the Talmud, having issued this horrible moral code that condones all kinds of crimes against foreigners understood the necessity of keeping its contents a secret and thus legislated:

"To communicate to a Goy about our religious relations would be equal to the killing of all Jews, for if the goys knew what we teach about them, they would kill us openly. (Book of Libbre, David, 37)

"If a Jew be called to explain any part of the rabbinic books, he only ought to give a false explanation, that he might not, by behaving differently, become an accomplice in betraying this information. Who will violate this order shall be put to death." (Libbre David, 37)

"One should and must make false oath, when the goys ask if our books contain anything against them. Then we are bound to state on oath that there is nothing like that." (Szaalot-Utszabot. The book of Jore d'a, 170)

"Every guy who studies the Talmud, and every Jew who helps him in it, ought to die." (Sanhedrym 59 a. Aboda Zora 8-6: Szagiga 13)

Quotes from the Talmud Revealed (Jewish Holy Book)

"Jehovah himself in heaven studies the Talmud, standing: He has such respect for that book." (Tr. Mechilla)

"The decision of the Talmud are words of the living God. Jehovah himself asks the opinion of earthly rabbis when there are difficult affairs in Heaven." (Rabbi Menashin, Comments for the fifth book)

"You are human beings, but the nations of the worlds are not human beings but beasts." (Baba Mecia 114, 6)

"On the house of the Goy, one looks as on the fold of cattle." (Tosefta, Erubin VIII)

"The estates of the Goys are like wilderness, who first settles in them has a right to them." (Bababathra, 14b)

"That all property of other nations belongs to the Jewish nation, which consequently is entitled to cease upon it without any scruples."

"That an orthodox Jew is not bound to observe principles of morality towards people of other nations, and on the contrary he even ought to act against morality, or if it were profitable for himself or for the interest of Jews in general."

"A Jew may rob a Goy, he may cheat him over a bill, which should not be perceived by him, otherwise the name of God would become dishonoured." (Schulchan Aruch, Choszem Hamiszpat, 348)

"Should a Goy to whom a Jew owed some money die without his heirs knowing about the debt, the Jew is not bound to pay the debt." (Schulchan Aruch, Choszem Hamiszpat, 283, 1)

"A thing lost by a Goy may not only be kept by the man who found it, but it is forbidden to give it back to him." (Schulchan Aruch, Choszem Hamiszpat, 222, 1)

"How to interpret the word 'robbery'. A Goy is forbidden to steal, rob, or take woman slaves etc, from a Goy or from a Jew, but he (a Jew) is not forbidden to do all this to a Goy." (Tosefta, Aboda Zara, VIII, 5)

"If a Goy killed a Goy or a Jew he is responsible, but if a Jew killed a Goy, he is not responsible." (Tosefta, Aboda Zara, VIII, 5)

Jewish Day of Atonement

Even their most sacred day, the Yom Kippur, or Day of Atonement has been made into the yearly opportunity for each 'Jew' to ask for and receive forgiveness for all the sins and wrongs they are about to commit in the coming year. A one-year, renewable license to lie, cheat and steal with impunity!

"All vows, prohibitions, oaths, consecrations or equivalent terms that we may vow, swear, consecrate, or prohibit upon ourselves from this Yom Kippur until the next Yom Kippur, may it come upon us for good - regarding them all, we repudiate them henceforth. They all will be abandoned, cancelled, null and void; they will be without power and without standing. Our vows shall not be valid vows; our prohibitions shall not be valid prohibitions; and our oaths shall not be valid oaths." (Yom Kippur)

Jews Promote Themselves as the 'Master Race'

One of the central themes of their religion teaches they are the so called 'master race' and are destined to rule the world with all 'non Jews' their servants. Despite the bible only referring to Israel as God's servant people and never as any 'master race', many Christians have mistakenly believed this lie and in doing so allowed many influential and powerful Jews to use this deception as justification for the trouble and destruction they have brought upon the world. However, this evil has been motivated by nothing more than a hunger and greed for unlimited power and riches at the expense of everyone else.

"You never observe a great intellectual movement in Europe in which the Jews do not greatly participate. The first Jesuits were Jews; that mysterious Russian Diplomacy which so alarms Western Europe is organised and principally carried on by Jews; that mighty revolution which is at this movement preparing in Germany, [Disraeli here forecast the widespread European revolutionary movement of 1848 four years beforehand] and will which be, in fact, a second and greater Reformation, and of which so little is as yet known in England, is entirely developing under the auspices of Jews..." "...So you see, my dear Coningsby, that the world is governed by very different personages from what is imagined by those who are not behind the scenes." ('Coningsby', by Benjamin Disraeli, Earl of Beaconsfield, Prime Minister in UK in 1868 and from 1874 to 1880)

The President of the World Jewish Congress, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, at Montreal, Canada, in 1947, declared: "The Jews might have had Uganda, Madagascar and other places for the establishment of a Jewish fatherland, but they want absolutely nothing except Palestine; not because the Dead Sea

waters by evaporation can produce five trillion dollars worth of minerals and powdered metals, not because the sub-soil of Palestine contains 20 times more petroleum than all the combined reserves of the two Americas, but because Palestine is the Crossroads of Europe, Asia and Africa, because Palestine constitutes the veritable center of world political power, the strategic military center for world control."

1928 Dr. Chaim Weizmann the first Israeli President (1948-52) said "We will establish ourselves in Palestine whether you like it or not! You can hasten our arrival, or you can equally retard it. It is, however better for you to help us so as to avoid our constructive power being turned into a destructive power which will overthrow the world."

God Called Israel to be His Servant Race

The truth is, God did choose a specific group of people to be His people and made certain promises to them. However, they were to be a holy nation and royal priesthood, with their purpose and destiny to be a servant people, not a master race. A people demonstrating God's love to all. Demonstrating the blessings which come from following God and administrating and following His Laws. The promises made, were given that they might be helped in this difficult endeavour.

All the nations of the world would be invited to see and learn God's laws in action and when ready, repent and serve God themselves. That they might too be blessed. As a result, Israel was to become a blessing to all peoples on the earth.

So you see, there is no superior race. Rather a servant people, serving God and all other people on the earth that all might eventually be blessed.

The confusion has resulted from the political Jews falsely claiming themselves to be God's chosen people when they are not and then demanding the world treat them differently (special). It is Judaism which falsely teaches that the 'Jews' are superior and they will rule the world, with the rest of the races to serve them! However, as above there is no truth or basis for this belief.

Christianity did not Originate from Judaism

Although many Christians have been misled, the Jews themselves don't believe or teach that Christianity originated from Judaism:

"This is not an uncommon impression and one finds it sometimes among Jews as well as Christians - that Judaism is the religion of the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament). It is, of course, a fallacious impression...Judaism is not the religion of the Bible." (Rabbi Ben Zion Bokser, 'Judaism and the Christian Predicament', page 59)

"The return from Babylon and the introduction of the Babylonian Talmud mark the end of Hebrewism and the beginning of Judaism." (The late Rabbi Stephen F. Wise, formerly the Chief Rabbi of the United States)

"Judaism is, specifically, the religion of a Jewish community living among Gentile peoples and is to be distinguished from the religion of ancient Israel." (Funk & Wagnalls Standard Reference Encyclopaedia, 1959, Volume 14)

"...you will notice the great difference between the Jewish and Christian religions. But these are not all. We consider the two religions so different that one excludes the other...we emphasized that there is no such thing as a Judeo-Christian religion...There is not any similarity between the two concepts" (Rabbi Moshe M. Maggal, President, National Jewish Information Service, Letter of August 21, 1961).

The London Jewish World of March 15, 1923 declared: "Fundamentally, Judaism is anti-Christian."

Most Modern Day Jews Not the Descendants of Biblical Israel

Most Christians continue to promote the modern day 'Jews' (converts to a pagan religion) as being the 'chosen ones'. However, the majority don't understand the true origins of Judaism, nor the fact none of the promises made to biblical Israel have been fulfilled by the 'Jews' or the modern day Jewish state.

For example, Israel was to be planted and established in another land which they did not know outside Palestine (2 Sam 7:10-11); to settle in the 'isles of the sea', north and west of Palestine (Isa 24:14-15; 49:1,12; 59:19; Jer 3:12-18, 23:8, 31:7-8, 10); become a nation and a community (commonwealth) of nations (Gen 35:10-11; 48:19); to never cease to be a nation before God (Jer 31:35-37); to crush all other empires (Dan 2: 34-45; Jer 51:20); to grow to become the fifth world empire (Dan 2:44; Rom 11:25); to inherit and colonise the desolate places, islands afar off, coastlands and ends of the earth (Isa 49:8; 54:3; Jer 31:8,10); become a multitude of people as countless as the stars (Gen 15:5); to retain its monarchy (Jer 33:17-26 and 2 Sam 7:12-16); become the chief of nations (Deut 26:19, Amos 6:1); to be blessed with great wealth (Deut 8:18 and 33:13-17) and known worldwide for its crops, lamb and beef (Deut 28:3-14); to be a blessing to mankind showing the fruits of righteousness (Matt 21:43, Gen 18:18) and a great missionary people taking Christianity around the globe (Isa 27:6; 43:2 1; 44:3-5; Mark 16:15 and Matt 7:20).

The reason why these promises remain unfulfilled by the modern day 'Jews', is because they were never made to the converts of Judaism (modern day definition of a 'Jew') which is a pagan religion and completely anti-Christian in nature. Rather, the promises were made to the racial descendants of Jacob through the line of Isaac only, with the few 'true Jews' representing a very small portion of Israel (being only 1 of 13 tribes).

In fact the Jewish people make up an even smaller portion of Israelites since the term 'Jew' is only applied in the bible to the very small remnant of 42,360 of the Tribe of Judah who returned to the land of Israel about 538BC after their captivity in Babylon when they became known as the Nation of the Jews (Ezra 2:1, 64). This is confirmed by the Jewish historian Josephus who wrote "Jew is the name they are called by from the day that they came up from Babylon." (Josephus, Antiquities of the Jews, Book 2, Chapter 5). Compare this to the entire nation of Edom who were already living in Judaea when the tiny remnant of Judah returned, and who were converted to Judaism under John Hyrcanus in 126 BC, well before the Lord Jesus was born. Never mind all the Canaanites, Amorites, Hittites, Samaritans and the rest who had taken over the land when the Israelites were removed from the land of Israel (2 Kings 17:24).

Therefore, we must not confuse the majority of modern day 'Jews' with the Israelites of the bible! Instead, we should only identify Israel with those people who are the true descendants of the biblical Israelites and who fulfil every mark and promise the prophets of the bible wrote Israel would be identified by in the future.

In fact, the number of true 'Jews' was reduced further as they inter-married with other races in disobedience to God's commands soon after they returned from captivity, while many other races of people converted to the Jewish faith and also became known as 'Jews'. In Esther 8:17 we are told "many people of other nationalities became Jews because the fear of the Jews had seized them". The entire nation of Edom was converted to Judaism under John Hyrcanus in 126 BC when their kingdom was destroyed by the 'Nation of the Jews' and the whole nation of the Khazars (a Turkic-Mongoloid people from southern Russia) converted to Judaism around the 8th century AD. They later spread out to become the 'Jewish' populations of Eastern Europe.

Together these two groups, neither of which were descended from the ancient Israelites of the Bible, make up a large majority of today's 'Jews'. Even the Jewish encyclopaedias testify to the fact that both the Edomites and Khazars are to be found among the Jewish people today. As a result of this

change, we must be careful not to assume all those who call themselves 'Jews', are in fact the actual racial descendants of the Tribe of Judah. Just as Christ was careful not to when talking to those who called themselves 'Jews' in His day.

Is it not possible that Christ in John 8 was acknowledging that although they might be able to claim Abraham as their father, they were at best descended through the line of Esau who was rejected by God, rather than through the line of Jacob? They stated themselves that their forefathers had never been slaves of anyone, which would prove the point since if they were Israelites their forefathers would certainly have been slaves in Egypt.

Due to all the inter-marrying and other races converting to Judaism and calling themselves 'Jews' also, it has become vital we understand the difference between Israel and the modern day 'Jews'. This is because the word 'Jew' now means something completely different to the Hebrew and Greek words it was originally translated from. While the term 'Jew', was once a racial label referring to a "descendant of Judah" (Strong's Concordance) and "One belonging to the tribe or to the Kingdom of Judah" (Westminster Dictionary of the Bible), it has since been changed into a mere religious one. Enabling many different nationalities who were never descendants of Abraham through the line of Isaac and Jacob (Israel) to claim themselves to be 'Jews' who are not. This problem is referred to by Jesus in John 8 and in Revelation 2 and 3 where we are told there would be those who would call themselves 'Jews', but who were not.

However, for us we should only use the biblical meaning when trying to understand the term 'Jew' ("descendant of Judah") rather than any new modern political or religious meaning which differs from it and as a result causes much confusion. Accordingly, the bible is clear. The word 'Jew' can only correctly be applied to a racial descendant of the tribe of Judah. Anyone else using or calling themselves by this name is not an actual 'Jew' or Israelite.

There are many reasons why so many make the mistake of viewing the Israelite (Israel) and 'Jew' (Judah) as the same people even though this understanding isn't supported by either scripture or history. The 'Jews' themselves understand the difference and state that "Strictly speaking it is incorrect to call an Ancient Israelite a 'Jew' or to call a contemporary Jew an Israelite or a Hebrew" (1980 Jewish Almanac, article entitled "A brief History of the Terms for Jew" pg.3).

Maybe the best definition of the term 'Jew' in its modern context rather than its true biblical meaning is best summed up by the modern Israeli State government itself who state "The term Israelite is purely biblical. An Israeli is a citizen of Israel, regardless of religion. A Jew is a person anywhere in the world born to a Jewish mother, or converted to Judaism, who is thus identified as a member of the Jewish people or religion." (Information Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jerusalem, February 1998).

Accordingly, the Jewish authorities agree that the word 'Jew' now refers to a person's religion, not their race or ethnic background as it does in the bible. This is why there are 'Jews' of every race, because the modern definition of a 'Jew' does not denote race as the original Hebrew word does in the bible. This response is perfectly in accordance with the Halakha (Jewish Law) which also defines a 'Jew' as any person, anywhere in the world, who is born to a mother who is already a Judaist or who converts to Judaism themselves. Converting to Judaism makes one not only a member of the religion of Judaism, but also "a member of the Jewish people" they say. This clearly demonstrates that according to Halakha, the word "Jew" refers to a person's religion, not their race or ethnic background. In context then it is no different from the words "Muslim" or "Buddhist". Note that the term Israelite is defined as "purely biblical" and therefore has no relevance to the definition of a 'Jew'. It is vitally important that we understand this if we are to properly comprehend what follows.

Many Jews Descendants of the Edomites

The fact is, the vast majority of ‘Jews’ living in Palestine during the Lord’s day were not Israelites as is still true today. After the entire nation of Israel and most of Judah was taken captive by the Assyrians, only one priest is said to have been allowed to return (2 Kings 17:23-28). Of the remaining nation of Judah, taken captive by the Babylonians, less than 42,500 are said to have returned under Ezra and Nehemiah (Ezra 2:1, 64).

During the rule of the Maccabees, “Judas Maccabeus retook Hebron and the other towns that the Edomites had occupied (1 Macc. 5:65; Jos. Antiq. Xii. 8, 6). John Hyrcanus compelled the Edomites to submit to the rite of circumcision, and incorporated them with the Jewish people (Jos. Antiq. XIII. 9, 1). The Herods were Idumeans, i.e. Edomites. (The New Westminster Dictionary of the Bible under “Edomites”)

“Hyrcanus took also Dora and Marissa, cities of Idumea, and subdued all the Idumeans; and permitted them to stay in that country, if they would circumcise their genitals, and make use of the laws of the Jews...they were hereafter no other than Jews.” (Jewish Historian Flavius Josephus, Antiquities of the Jews, Book XIII, Chapter IX, sec. 1)

“Herod the Great...was the second son of the Idumean Antipas or Antipater... (Jos. Antiq. XIV. 1, 3; 7, 3). Thus, neither by the father’s nor by the mother’s side was Herod a real Jew, though the Idumeans, who had been conquered by John Hyrcanus, and compelled to be circumcised and adopt Judaism, had now become nominally Jews.” (The New Westminster Dictionary of the Bible under “Herod”)

Following the conversion of the Edomites to Judaism, “Antipater the Idumean”, the Edomite governor, became procurator of Judea, Galilee and Samaria. Through collusion with the Romans he consolidated his power and effectively usurped the Judahite throne by arranging for his son Herod the Great, followed by his grandson Herod Antipas, to become the king of Judea. Herod the Great also took over the religious affairs of the nation, in addition to the throne rebuilding the temple to his own requirements and specifications, taking control of the priesthood and appointment of the high priest:

“Antipater was made procurator of Judea by Julius Caesar in 47 BC.” (Jos. Antiq. XIV. 8, 3 and 5). “Phasaelus, the eldest son, was made governor of Jerusalem...by his father, and Galilee was committed to Herod” (Jos. Antiq. XIV. 9, 2). Later “war ensued”...and “Jerusalem was captured by Herod and Herod became king of Judea in 37 BC.” (The New Westminster Dictionary of the Bible under “Herod”)

In Esther 8:17 we are also told “many people of other nationalities became Jews because the fear of the Jews had seized them”. So by the time the Lord Jesus arrived in Palestine many different nationalities had begun calling themselves ‘Jews’, but it was the Edomites who had seized the kingdom from the true Judahites, the descendants of the tiny remnant of exiles who had returned from Babylon. The Edomites had control of the land, the throne and the temple when the Lord Jesus was there. They were posing as true Israelites of the house of Judah, but the Lord Jesus knew that they were impostors (John 8) and He warns us about them in the book of Revelation:

“I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.” (Rev 2:9)

“Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.” (Rev 3:9).

Maybe the knowledge that the bulk of the people present in Judea in the days of our Lord Jesus as is the case today are not and were not Israelites seems absurd to you, or maybe you are just finding it

difficult to take in. If so, then please realize that the Edomites were simply doing what Isaac had prophesied they would do when, on comforting Esau, who had just thrown away his birthright said:

"And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother [Israel]; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion [Kingdom], that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck." (Gen 27:40)

From this it is logical that Esau/Edom was to possess the kingdom at some point in time. So given the history of Judea just prior to the arrival of the Lord Jesus and in recent history, is there really anything at all startling in what is being said here? If Esau's descendants were not in possession of the kingdom at the time of the Lord Jesus, then when exactly were they in possession of it? If not then, they appear to certainly be in possession of it now, with the political 'Jews' (Zionists) claiming Israel for themselves after WWI. With the blessing of politicians and church leaders they have been able to simply take possession of it as they continue to do so today. Again the bible tells us that these people would be no other than the Edomites (Eze 33:24-29; 36:1-8 and Mal 1:1-5).

Summary

Since the time of Christ, this admixture of other races claiming to be 'Jews' has only intensified with many more nationalities and races of people converting to Judaism through the centuries and also becoming known as 'Jews' as continues even today.

The confusion surrounding the term 'Jews' and its misuse has unfortunately been made more difficult by many churches, governments and various 'Jewish' groups spreading the falsehood (many unintentionally) that the 'Jews' represent all Israel.

However, for us we should only use the biblical meaning when trying to understand the term 'Jew' ("descendant of Judah") rather than any new modern political or religious meaning which differs from it and as a result causes much confusion. Accordingly, the bible is clear. The word 'Jew' can only correctly be applied to a racial descendant of the tribe of Judah. Anyone else using or calling themselves by this name is not an actual 'Jew' or Israelite.

Please don't misunderstand what is being stated here. I am not saying there are no true 'Jews' (descendants of Judah). I am simply making several important points. Firstly, most 'Jews' today are not racial descendants, but rather converts to a pagan religion and therefore have nothing to do with the biblical Israelites. Secondly, the few true 'Jews' (descendants of Judah) who do exist only represent a small proportion of Israelites since the bulk of Israelites are descended from the other 11 tribes and are therefore not 'Jews'. Thirdly, Judaism is not based on the bible, but based on the Talmud made up shortly before and after Christ. Lastly, Christianity did originate from Judaism, but rather predates Judaism by thousands of years.

It is sad that our politicians and church leaders did not take the time to study the facts, but instead simply believed the Zionist claims without ever asking for any evidence to prove their claims of descent. As a result true Israelites, which include true racial Jews and all who accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, have had their rightful inheritance taken from them by a people whose ancestors never lived in Palestine. Until this is rectified, the violence and bloodshed in the Middle East will continue. It is interesting that this all appears to have been prophesied in the bible stating that the Edomites would claim Palestine for themselves Eze 33:24-29 and 36:5-8; Mal 1:4-5. Isn't it amazing that after thousands of years they are still trying to get the birth right and inheritance back which they had lost to Jacob and his descendants?

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