# Part 2b: The Nation of Israel

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<u>1 – Israel Divided</u>

1Kings 15:6 Now there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all the days of his life.

**2Kings 17:6** In the ninth year of Hoshea, the <u>king of Assyria captured Samaria, and he carried</u> the Israelites away to Assyria and placed them in Halah, and on the Habor, the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.

**2Kings 17:23** <u>until the LORD removed Israel out of his sight, as he had spoken by all his servants</u> the prophets. So Israel was exiled from their own land to Assyria until this day.

**2Kings 18:11** The king of Assyria carried the Israelites away to Assyria and put them in Halah, and on the Habor, the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes,

**Ezek. 39:23** And the nations shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity, because they dealt so treacherously with me that I hid my face from them and gave them into the hand of their adversaries, and they all fell by the sword.

Josephus

"...the ten tribes are beyond the Euphrates till now, and are an immense multitude and not to be estimated in numbers." (Josephus, Flavius. *Antiquites*. p. 11:133)

Judah

2Kings 22:8 And Hilkiah the high priest said to Shaphan the secretary, "I have found the <u>Book of the Law in the house of the LORD</u>." And Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan, and he read it.
2Kings 22:11 When the king heard the words of the Book of the Law, he tore his clothes.
2Kings 22:13 "Go, inquire of the LORD for me, and <u>for the people, and for all Judah</u>, concerning the words of this book that has been found. For great is the wrath of the LORD that is kindled against us, because our fathers have not obeyed the words of this book, to do according to all that is written concerning us."

## 2 - The People of Israel are The Remnant People of Promise

#### <u>Hosea</u>

**Hos. 1:6** She conceived again and bore a daughter. And the LORD said to him, "<u>Call her name</u> <u>No Mercy, for I will no more have mercy on the house of Israel, to forgive them at all.</u> **7** <u>But I</u> <u>will have mercy on the house of Judah</u>, and <u>I will save them</u> by the LORD their God. I will not save them by bow or by sword or by war or by horses or by horsemen."<u>8</u> When she had weaned No Mercy, she conceived and bore a son.<u>9</u> And the LORD said, "<u>Call his name Not My</u> <u>People, for you are not my people, and I am not your God."</u>

**10** Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured or numbered. And in the <u>place</u> where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God." **11** And <u>the children of Judah</u> and the <u>children of Israel</u> shall be <u>gathered together</u>, and they shall appoint for themselves <u>one head</u>. And they shall go up from the land, for great shall be the day of Jezreel.

<u>Jeremiah</u>

**Jer. 24:4** Then the word of the LORD came to me: **5** "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Like these good figs, so I will regard as good the exiles from Judah, whom I have sent away from this place to the land of the Chaldeans. **6** I will set my eyes on them for good, and <u>I will bring them back to this land</u>. <u>I will build them up</u>, and not tear them down; <u>I will plant them</u>, and not pluck them up. **7** I will give them a heart to know that I am the LORD, and they shall be my people and I will be their God, for they shall return to me with their whole heart.

Jer. 24:8 "But thus says the LORD: Like the bad figs that are so bad they cannot be eaten, so will I treat Zedekiah the king of Judah, his officials, <u>the remnant of Jerusalem who remain in this</u> <u>land, and those who dwell in the land of Egypt</u>. 9 I will make them a horror to all the kingdoms of the earth, to be a reproach, a byword, a taunt, and a curse in all the places where I shall drive them. 10 And I will send sword, famine, and pestilence upon them, until they shall be utterly destroyed from the land that I gave to them and their fathers."

**Jer. 31:15** Thus says the LORD: "A voice is heard in Ramah, lamentation and bitter weeping. <u>Rachel</u> is weeping for her children; she refuses to be comforted for her children, <u>because they</u> are no more."

**Jer. 7:16** "As for you, do not pray for this people, or lift up a cry or prayer for them, and do not intercede with me, for I will not hear you.

**Jer. 14:11** The LORD said to me: "Do not pray for the welfare of this people. **12** Though they fast, I will not hear their cry, and though they offer burnt offering and grain offering, I will not accept them. But I will consume them by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence."

Jer. 31:4 Again I will build you, and you shall be built, <u>O virgin Israel</u>! Again you shall adorn yourself with tambourines and shall go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Jer. 31:21 "Set up road markers for yourself; make yourself guideposts; consider well the highway, the road by which you went. Return, <u>O virgin Israel</u>, return to these your cities.

#### New Covenant

**Jer. 31:31** "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when <u>I will make a new covenant</u> with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, **32** not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, <u>my</u> covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. **33** For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. <u>And I will be their God, and they shall be my people</u>. **34** And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

#### New Heart

**Ezek. 11:17** Therefore say, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: <u>I will gather you from the peoples and</u> assemble you out of the countries where you have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel.' **18** And when they come there, they will remove from it all its detestable things and all its abominations. **19** And I will give them one heart, and a new spirit I will put within them. I will remove the heart of stone from their flesh and give them a heart of flesh, **20** that they may walk in my statutes and keep my rules and obey them. And they shall be my people, and I will be their God. **21** But as for those whose heart goes after their detestable things and their abominations, I will bring their deeds upon their own heads, declares the Lord GOD."

**Ezek. 36:25** I will sprinkle clean water on you, and <u>you shall be clean</u> from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. **26** And I will give you a <u>new heart</u>, and a <u>new spirit</u> I will put within you. And I will <u>remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh</u>. **27** And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. **28** You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

### Stump & branch

Is. 10:20 In that day the remnant of Israel and the survivors of the house of Jacob will no more

lean on him who struck them, but will lean on the LORD, <u>the Holy One of Israel</u>, in truth. **21** A <u>remnant will return</u>, <u>the remnant of Jacob</u>, to the mighty God. **22** For though your people Israel <u>be as the sand of the sea</u>, only a remnant of them will return. Destruction is decreed, <u>overflowing with righteousness</u>. **23** For the Lord GOD of hosts will make a full end, as decreed, in the midst of all the earth.

**Is. 11:1** There shall come forth a <u>shoot from the stump of Jesse</u>, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. **2** And the <u>Spirit of the LORD</u> shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. **3** And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD....

**Is. 11:10** In that day the <u>root of Jesse</u>, <u>who shall stand as a signal for the peoples</u>—of him shall <u>the nations inquire</u>, and his <u>resting place</u> shall be glorious.

**Is. 11:11** In that day the Lord will extend his hand yet a second time <u>to recover the remnant</u> <u>that remains of his people</u>, from Assyria, from Egypt, from Pathros, from Cush, from Elam, from Shinar, from Hamath, and from the coastlands of the sea. **12** <u>He will raise a signal for the</u> <u>nations and will assemble the banished of Israel, and gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.</u>

**Is. 11:16** And there will be a highway from Assyria for the remnant that remains of his people, as there was for Israel when they came up from the land of Egypt.