

Is This The End Of Israel? Part 2

Intro: in the first message I did in this series we started by looking at the prophet who wrote the words read for us this morning, the prophet Jeremiah and I contrasted him with Samuel who saw the birth of a great Jewish nation, Jeremiah saw the close. The many words he spoke from God about the sins of the people, the down fall of his kings, the destruction of his homeland and the coming captivity gained him no favor with anyone. In the first message we started with verse 31 and 32 of chapter 31 and looked at the first covenant or the old covenant God made with Israel which began with Abraham. We saw how the Jews are Gods chosen people and the favor He bestowed upon them, we also looked at how Israel broke this covenant and rejected God and followed idols even though He is the husband to them. There were many prophets like Jeremiah who reveled to the people the error in the things they were practicing and prophesied what would come if there practices continued, and when we looked at the prophetic fulfillment of the destruction of Israel and the Babylonian captivity, we left off with the question; Is this the end of Israel? Is God done with Israel? Has the church replaced Israel? We know the answer to all of these questions is NO, and though Jeremiah never saw the return of the Jews as Daniel did, we will still explain our answer from the words Jeremiah wrote and the rest of scripture. The verses we are looking at today are verses 33 and 34 of chapter 31 and we begin with point number 2.

II. The new covenant with Israel verses 33 &34

33 *"But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.*

34 *"No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."*

A. The new covenant in the church age

But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD:

These words reflect the words of verse 31, which was the declaration and prophecy of this new covenant, now in verse 33 we have the proclamation and revelation of what this new covenant will be. When we were in verse 31 we looked at the old covenant first for when the Lord said "the days are coming when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel" we first had to go back and look at what was the old covenant? What happened to the old covenant? And why was it broken? These needed to be answered before we could continue into the new. And I did that in the first message and it was because of sin.

A quote from the Bible Exposition Commentary by Warren W. Wiersbe writes about mankind and the problem of sin like this:

Any plan for the betterment of human society that ignores the sin problem is destined to failure.

We can see how this is true in North America today. It started as a nation founded on God's word. It became a powerful nation, it became a wealthy nation, it became a nation whose standard of living surpassed many. But it became a nation whose betterment of society began to ignore the sin problem and we now find ourselves in a very ungodly, a very immoral nation. A nation whose foundation has been undermined by placing rights and freedoms and personal liberties involving sin priority over dealing with sin. We can see these things happening around us at an alarming rate, and this is the same problem that happened with Israel before the captivity. Not that God's plan ignored the sin problem; it was the people in their sin that ignored God.

Isaiah 29:13

Therefore the Lord said: "Inasmuch as these people draw near with their mouths And honor Me with their lips, But have removed their hearts far from Me,

The quote from Warren W. Wiersbe continues:

Any plan for the betterment of human society that ignores the sin problem is destined to failure. It isn't enough to change the environment, for the heart of every problem is the problem of the heart. God must change the hearts of people so that they want to love Him and do His will. That's why He announced a New Covenant to replace the Old Covenant under which the Jews had lived since the days of Moses, "the old" covenant that could direct their conduct but not change their character.

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At the time when Jeremiah was writing, the Jews were a nation with two entities, Israel the northern kingdom consisting of the tribes of Ruben, Simeon, Dan, Naphtali, Gad, Asher, Issachar, Zebulun, Ephraim and Manasseh. The southern kingdom Judah consisting of the tribe of Judah and Benjamin, it was a broken nation, a divided nation because of disobedience, because of idolatry, because of sin. But even though God spoke of Israel and Judah as separate in verse 31 this new covenant was to be a covenant for the both of them. Promised to them as one nation here in verse 33

"But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days,

when this new covenant comes into effect it will be for one nation again, no longer divided into north and south, or Israel and Judah. And with the problem of idolatry removed from the Jews from the 70 year exile in Babylon they were no longer a divided in this manner. This nation which once had a problem with idol worship, was cured and became the other extreme of professing to be God's only chosen people and overzealous with religion as Paul spoke of in Romans 10 verses 1-3 speaking of his fellow brethren the Jews.

*1 Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved.
2 For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge.
3 For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.*

Now with the words “*But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days*” “now after those days” speaks of the time period covered in verse 32 which we look at in the previous message of how the Jews forsook God and followed after other gods even though He God is the husband to them. And in Jeremiah’s writings the punishment portion has past and the time of restoration is to come.

Now this is the new covenant. He writes.

I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. "No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

Bible Exposition Commentary by Warren W. Wiersbe wrights of the new covenant like this:

The New Covenant isn't just another renewal of the Old Covenant that God gave at Sinai; it's a covenant that's new in every way. The New Covenant is *inward* so that God's Law is written on the heart and not on stone tablets ([2 Cor. 3](#); [Ezek. 11:19-20](#); [18:31](#); [36:26-27](#)). The emphasis is *personal* rather than national, with each person putting faith in the Lord and receiving a "new heart" and with it a new disposition toward godliness.

The Old Covenant tried to control conduct, but the New Covenant changes character so that people can love the Lord and one another and want to obey God's will. "By the Law is the knowledge of sin" ([Rom. 3:20](#)), but under the New Covenant God promised "I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more" ([Jer. 31:34](#)). It is this covenant that the Jews will experience in the last days when they see their Messiah and repent ([Zech. 12:10-13:1](#)).

The basis for the New Covenant is the work of Jesus Christ on the cross ([Matt. 26:27-28](#); [Mark 14:22-24](#); [Luke 22:19-20](#)). Because the church today **partakes** in Israel's spiritual riches ([Rom. 11:12-32](#); [Eph. 3:1-6](#)), anyone who puts faith in Jesus Christ **shares** in this New Covenant ([Heb. 8:6-13](#); [10:14-18](#)). It's an experience of regeneration, being born again into the family of God ([John 3:1-21](#)).

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The dilemma we encounter with this passage is not so much what it means but the fulfillment it has for the Jews, as well as the church. It all revolves around one person and that person is Jesus Christ the Messiah. And the only way that we can properly make sense of this prophecy and its current and future fulfillment is if we keep in our minds that God is not done with Israel and that the church is not its replacement. Only then can we move through these next lines with no contradictions or problems. And the only way we can make sense of this is if we keep four moments of time in mind: first the 69 weeks prophesied by Daniel, the church age which was not seen throughout the Old Testament, the 70th week of Daniel which is the tribulation and finally the millennium and all in that order.

So in explain the text and this new covenant we must first look at the Jewish time line.

Today the Jews are still waiting for their Messiah; they are still longing and looking for their redeemer. Throughout the entire Old Testament it has been prophesied of a redeemer who would come and redeem God's people and when Jesus rode into Jerusalem it ended the 69th week of Daniel as His entry was prophesied by Zechariah 9:9

"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey"

This is how it was said He would come and this is how He came. Up to this point in time it is still a Jewish time period. This was the 69th week and Jesus Christ the Messiah came but they did not receive him he was rejected by his own. John 1 verse 11

11 He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him.

Since the Jews rejected their own Messiah, God stopped the clock of the Jewish time line and started something entirely new, an age we know as the church age. When the Holy Spirit who was poured out at Pentecost to the apostles the church as we know it was born. You see the Jew never saw a church age, it was not prophesied in any prophecies, and it is something that has been inserted by God Himself. The Jews see the 69 weeks and the 70th weeks in one continuous time line and then followed by the millennium, they waited for a king who would come and save them, redeem them from the oppression of the Romans. But at the rejection of Christ and the new covenant He brought, God interjected another new plan, this new covenant would be open to the world.

Matthew 26 verses 28 Jesus spoke of Himself:

28 "For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek."

John 1:12

12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

It is this covenant that the text speaks of when it says *"I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts"* it is as Warren W. Wiersbe writes *"The New Covenant is inward so that God's Law is written on the heart and not on stone tablets (2 Cor. 3; Ezek. 11:19-20; 18:31; 36:26-27)*. The emphasis is *personal* rather than national, with each person putting faith in the Lord and receiving a "new heart" and with it a new disposition toward godliness"

Ezekiel 11:19 and 20 reads

19 "Then I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within them, and take the stony heart out of their flesh, and give them a heart of flesh,

20 *"that they may walk in My statutes and keep My judgments and do them; and they shall be My people, and I will be their God.*

And in chapter 18 verses 30-32

30 ¶ *"Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways," says the Lord GOD. "Repent, and turn from all your transgressions, so that iniquity will not be your ruin.*

31 *"Cast away from you all the transgressions which you have committed, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit. For why should you die, O house of Israel?"*

32 *"For I have no pleasure in the death of one who dies," says the Lord GOD. "Therefore turn and live!"*

After the rejection of Christ and in the moment at Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came down and filled the apostles this part of the prophecy was fulfilled and not only to the apostles but also every true believer who comes to Christ in this church age for Jesus promised in John 14: 15-18

15 *"If you love Me, keep My commandments.*

16 *"And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—*

17 *"the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.*

18 *"I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.*

And with that promise fulfilled we can look at the next lines of our text.

"No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD.

Now most commentaries attribute this line of scripture to how we come to know God in our present church age, the Nelson Compact Series commentary writes:

“No longer would intermediaries like priests or prophets have to stand between the people and God, no need to show the people how to know the LORD. For the spirit would teach the people the knowledge of God. From youngest to oldest, from peasant farmer to kings and princes, all would know God.”

It is true; we no longer are in need of prophets like Moses or Jeremiah to bring us the teachings and instructions from God directly, we have all that history and writings written down for us in these wonderful pages and in these pages we have all the teaching to live our life for his glory, for from these pages all can know him from the least of them, of simplest of children to the, to the greatest of minds and men, all can know Christ and the way of salvation from this book. in fact it was Moses who spoke of the coming Christ in Deuteronomy Chapter 18 verse 15

"The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your midst, from your brethren. Him you shall hear,

The church did hear and we have the words that He Jesus spoke and the things He did while here on earth. Even only if a small portion because John says *there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written* John 21:25 but how precious are these words of this new covenant, a covenant written by God himself through men moved by the Holy Spirit, it is a covenant that if any lost person who can read and reads this book in a language he can understand and reads it, with an open mind and open heart he will be brought to a crossroad in his life and he will be forced to make a decision about this word and his eternity. He will either accept or reject the offer made by God in this new covenant. "The New Covenant is *inward* so that God's Law is written on the heart and not on stone tablets" No longer a covenant that was to control conduct from the outside but a covenant that would change people first on the inside. Listen if you are here today and you are not a believer you will not understand what this inside change is or what it is like. When we read in scripture as we read earlier of the Spirit of truth, you may see His effects in the lives of people around you, the joy they have in living life for Christ and the ability to cope in trials and situations that defy human abilities. This Spirit of truth you cannot buy at a hardware store, you cannot go to the doctor and get an injection for it, NO, *the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him* it is only it is only when you commit our life to Christ and accept the new covenant from God will you enjoy the peace only He can give and knowing you will have everlasting life.

Matthew 26:28

"For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

But this is not only the only fulfillment of this prophecy and as I said before the key points we must remember in looking at this verse is that God is not done with Israel and the church is not its replacement, the other is the time line of the ages, 69 weeks, church age, 70th week and the millennium, it is when Jesus own words reveal that He is the new covenant and that He was rejected by the Jews, we can apply the verse to the church age, but I don't think that this is the only time period that it was prophesied for, for the church was never seen or prophesied in the Old testament and the Old Testament was written by the Jews for the Jews, and there is a time that this text will be fulfilled again only this time for the Jews.

And as this clock of the church age continues, it too is already winding down, its gears and movements slowing and when the day of the rapture comes it too will stop and end this era called the church age.

Only after the rapture will God then dust off the clock of the Jews, clean the cobwebs from its gears, turn the key and start its motion again and continue along the time line it was meant to take. And that will take this world into the era of the 70th week and the millennium.

The New Covenant in the Millennium:

As we noted earlier the Jews are still waiting for their Messiah; they are still longing and looking for their redeemer. And if we follow the time line and order of events that must take place it will become clear what these words in Jeremiah meant to the Jews. As the Jews waited, their Messiah came to them lowly and riding on a donkey, but when rejected and this last week of Jesus life on earth ended it also ended the 69 weeks prophesied by Daniel. And **what was supposed to** come next was the 70th week or the tribulation

Daniel 9 verse 25-27

25 *"Know therefore and understand, That from the going forth of the command To restore and build Jerusalem Until Messiah the Prince, There shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times.*

26 *"And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; And the people of the prince who is to come Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, And till the end of the war desolations are determined.*

27 *Then he (**Satan**) shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; (**the 7 years of the tribulation**) But in the middle of the week (**3 and a half years**) He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate."*

This 70th week will be a horrendous time, it will be a time such as the world has never seen before, it will be precaution of such magnitude that all other precautions in all of earth history will pale in comparison to this time. And when this precaution is turned onto the Jews, the Jews again will long for their redeemer, and He will come, He will come to them in what we call the second coming of Christ. He came once 2000 years ago and they rejected Him. He is coming again at the end of the tribulation. And this is the time and this covenant that the Jews will experience in the last days when they see their Messiah and repent

Zachariah 12:10 to 13:1

10 *"And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.*

11 *"In that day there shall be a great mourning in Jerusalem, like the mourning at Hadad Rimmon in the plain of Megiddo.*

12 *"And the land shall mourn, every family by itself: the family of the house of David by itself, and their wives by themselves; the family of the house of Nathan by itself, and their wives by themselves;*

13 *"the family of the house of Levi by itself, and their wives by themselves; the family of Shimei by itself, and their wives by themselves;*

14 *"all the families that remain, every family by itself, and their wives by themselves.*

1 ¶ *"In that day a fountain shall be opened for the house of David and for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and for uncleanness.*

And with that this world will enter the millennium

"No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD'

The millennium is a time that the Jews are waiting for, a time when the Messiah Himself will rule the world and be king of all. And all will know Him

Daniel speaks of this time in the interpretation of king Nebuchadnezzar's dream in chapter 2 verse 34 and 35 of the book of Daniel.

34 "You watched while a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.

*35 "Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed together, and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; the wind carried them away so that no trace of them was found. And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and **filled the whole earth.***

The words of Isaiah in chapter 2 verses 1-4

1 The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

*2 Now it shall come to pass in the latter days That the mountain of the LORD'S house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; **And all nations shall flow to it.***

*3 Many people shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; **He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths.**" For out of Zion shall **go forth the law, And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.***

*4 **He shall judge between the nations, And rebuke many people;** They shall beat their swords into plowshares, And their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, Neither shall they learn war anymore. Speaking of the millennium.*

Isaiah 11:1-9

1 ¶ There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.

2 The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD.

3 His delight is in the fear of the LORD, And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears;

4 But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, And decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked.

5 Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, And faithfulness the belt of His waist.

6 "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little child shall lead them.

7 The cow and the bear shall graze; Their young ones shall lie down together; And the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

8 *The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, And the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den.*

9 *They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, **For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD As the waters cover the sea.***

Jesus preaching in Mark chapter 1 verse 14 and 15

14 ¶ *Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,*

15 *and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and **the kingdom of God is at hand.** Repent, and believe in the gospel."*

Jesus speaking at the last supper in chapter 26 we read this one earlier verses 28 and this time with 29 also.

28 *"For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.*

29 *"But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when **I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom.**"*

This is this millennial kingdom which in Jesus day was only 7 years away, and even right now at this very moment it can be as close as 7 years away, if the rapture occurs before this day is through this 1000 year regain of Jesus Christ the Messiah will begin in 7 years once the 70th week or tribulation of Daniel is complete.

"No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD'

You see in the millennium there will be no evangelism like in our church age, for they all shall know the LORD from the least of them to the greatest, every person in the world will know who Jesus is for He will be king and ruler of all there is and of all people there are.

5 *"Behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "That I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; **A King shall reign and prosper, And execute judgment and righteousness in the earth.***

6 *In His days Judah will be saved, And Israel will dwell safely; Now this is His name by which He will be called: **THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.***

7 *"Therefore, behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "that they shall no longer say, 'As the LORD lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of Egypt,'*

8 *"but, 'As the LORD lives who brought up and led the descendants of the house of Israel from the north country and from all the countries where I had driven them.' And they shall dwell in their own land."*

Jeremiah 23:5-8

You see it all fits together when you interpret the bible literally, in the normal literal interpretation of the bible. It all works in perfect harmony when we understand that Israel and the

church are not the same entity, Israel is the wife of God and the church is the bride of Christ, just as God the Father and Jesus the Son are separate persons so is Israel separate from the church. The time period leading up to the time of Christ and His crucifixion was a Jewish time period, the church age is a... church age time period, the 70th week or tribulation will again be a Jewish time period, for the church will be removed from the earth in the rapture and the millennium will also be a Jewish time period with the saints ruling with Christ over them. But there is one thing that we as the church and the Jews as Israel will share and that is the last line of the text.

For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

You see as Christians the church has received this great blessing, as having received and accepted the new covenant it came with a great gift, not just salvation but also the forgiveness of our iniquities and sin.

C. The Remission of Sin

Colossians 1:12 to 14

12 giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light.

13 He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,

14 in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.

You see we have been given this great gift of being able to come to God at any place at any time and with a repented heart to be delivered from the power of darkness, we are able to confess our sin and repent from what we have done and God in His merci and by the blood of Jesus we can be in a moment be forgiven and our sins remembered no more.

Hebrews 8:11-14

11 But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation.

12 Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

13 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh,

14 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

This is the same blessing that Israel will receive when Christ comes at the second coming, when the Jews will acknowledge their sins and repent and accept the Messiah for who He is. Their redeemer.

Jeremiah 33 8 and 9

8 *I will cleanse them from all their iniquity by which they have sinned against Me, and I will pardon all their iniquities by which they have sinned and by which they have transgressed against Me.*

9 *'Then it shall be to Me a name of joy, a praise, and an honor before all nations of the earth, who shall hear all the good that I do to them; they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and all the prosperity that I provide for it.'*

And in chapter 50 verse 20 again speaking of the millennium

20 *In those days and in that time," says the LORD, "The iniquity of Israel shall be sought, but there shall be none; And the sins of Judah, but they shall not be found; **For I will pardon those whom I preserve.***

And in the new testament in Acts 10: 42 and 43

42 *"And He commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained by God to be Judge of the living and the dead.*

43 *"To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins."*

It is this new covenant that contains this gift; no longer the need for an earthly intercessor between God and man, for Christ came as our high priest but not only as high priest but also as the sacrifice, it is this new covenant that is designed to be inward written on the heart of men, The emphasis being *personal* with each person putting faith in the Lord and receiving a "new heart" and with it a new disposition toward God" it is this covenant that has been given to the world to anyone who believes that Jesus Christ is the son of God and died for you on that cross, these passages have a near fulfillment today in the church age and a fulfillment that is yet to come for the Jews in the millennium, when Christ will pardon those whom He preserves.

Conclusion:

So in conclusion as we looked at verses 33 and 34 we can see how Gods wondrous plan continues in the world today, and by the entirety of this book His plan for the future. And we looked at verses 33 and 34 of Jeremiah chapter 31.

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We see how this new covenant came to the Jews and that the Jews received Him not. We see how this covenant was then offered to the world which received it and those who received and believed it became the church, we see how Jesus Himself spoke of being the new covenant and

all those who name the name of Christ can become partakers of this new covenant, but not only exclusive for us here and now but also if we understand prophesy correctly that God is not done with Israel this new covenant will also be for them in the millennium, as it was prophesied by Jeremiah so many years ago. And so when someone asks in this day and age has the church replaced Israel? Is this the end of Israel? Has God replaced Israel? We must answer no, God still has a plan for Israel it is after all His wife as we learned in the first message. Listen, those of you who are married you will understand best when we listen to the words of God when He spoke to Israel in the beginning of Jeremiah chapter 2

"I remember you, The kindness of your youth, The love of your betrothal, When you went after Me in the wilderness, In a land not sown. Israel was holiness to the LORD, The firstfruits of His increase.

God is not done with the Jew, God is not done with Israel, and I just want to close with this last thought, and I will start with the husbands, what if someone were to disrespect your wife to you? What if that person were to speak ill of her to her face in front of you, slander her to her face, spit on her, slap her, push her to the ground and kick her and beat her right in front of you, that person will probably get a very lively reaction from you the husband, if you love her that is, right is this not correct husbands? And here is the thought to take with you today, how much more and how great will that reaction be if that wife is Israel and that husband is God. We can see how anti-Semitism is growing around us today and we must remember even though she has been put down and punished, she is still God's wife.