

**Preamble:** The subjects for each week Posts come from my experiences; the Bible as the errant Word of God from Genesis 1:1 through Revelation 22:21; pastor/teachers who primarily teach the Word but also history and prophecy with history often relating to current events, such as Perry Stone, Jonathan Cahn, Bill Cloud, Dr Bryan Catchall, John Kilpatrick, and many others of similar persuasion; books of History; and, from current secondary news sources that are more truthful than the Fake News. I often start a subject and then often preempt it as I get a word from God through my conscious during prayer to go a different direction. That is the case for today's message and now I have about 6 future subjects started.

There have been two major **Covenants** made between God and two Nations of the World: Israel and The United States of America. Yes, I said the United States of America. A **Covenant** is a legal agreement between two or more parties who come together to make a contract, agreeing on promises, stipulations, privileges, and responsibilities. The **Abrahamic Covenant** made by God with Israel says in Jeremiah 31: 31 – 34 *"The days are coming, 'declares the LORD', when I will make a **New Covenant** with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, not like the **Covenant** which I made with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, My **Covenant** which they broke, though I was a husband to them, 'declares the LORD'. But this is the **Covenant** which I will make with the house of Israel and Judah after those days, 'declares the LORD'. I will put My law in their minds and write it on their hearts; I will be their God, and they will be My people. And they shall not teach again, each man his neighbor and each man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, 'declares the LORD'. For I will forgive their iniquity and their sin I will remember no more".* This **Covenant** of the Old Testament was made with Abram/Abraham and his descendants Isaac, then Jacob, and then through Judah one of the sons of Jacob. It is an everlasting **Covenant** down through the generation of King David to finally Jesus the Christ of the **New Covenant** and New Testament. Understanding of the Word of God, the Bible, is not complete unless the Old Testament is integrated and known as the shadow of the New Testament. Here before and thereafter, the Bible in Genesis 12: 2-3 says of Israel *"And I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you, And make your name great; And so, you shall be a blessing; And I will bless those who bless you and the one who curses you I will curse. And in all the families of the earth shall be blessed"*. And God made it an everlasting **Covenant** by Gen 13:15 *"For all the land which you see, I will give to you and to your descendants forever"*. That kind of dispels any claim of Palestinians on the land of Israel because they believe in the Old Testament and Abraham.

The **Abrahamic Covenant** was not a signed paper agreement. It was a Blood Cutting agreement. There were many trials through which Abrahams descendants had to face in the ongoing years yet a **Covenant** by blood is an everlasting **Covenant**. And Abraham to God *"And he said, 'O Lord God ', how may I know that I will possess it (Israel)? So, He said to him, Bring Me a three-year-old heifer, and a three-year-old female goat, and a three-year-old ram, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon. Then he brought all these to Him and cut them in two and laid each half opposite the other; but he did not cut the birds"* Gen 15: 8-10. *"And it came about when the sun had set, that it was very dark, and behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a flaming torch which passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a **Covenant** with Abraham saying, 'To your descendants I have given this land, from the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the river Euphrates"* Gen 15: 17-18. Many Nations today want to destroy Israel but do not dare to try because of the relationship between Israel and the United States. They want the land that Israel possesses because of its strategic position in the Middle East having access to seaports and major rivers and its resources of oil, gas, and water plus being a land of "milk and honey". If the globe of the Earth is

viewed in all of its land mass, Jerusalem is in the exact center of the World from North to South and from East to West. In 1988 Linda and I personally stood on this central spot in Jerusalem while I was working in the Middle East. In 1948 the people of Israel took back the land as their Nation in one day as prophesied with President Harry Truman naming it as Israel and basically guaranteeing its sovereignty. President Trump provided the guarantee of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel in 2018 and provided sovereignty over the Golan heights all as prophesied in the Old Testament of the Bible. In ancient times of the **Abrahamic Covenant** Israel was a divided Kingdom with Israel in the North containing ten tribes and Judah in the South containing two tribes. The ten tribes were scattered during conquests of Israel and became known as the lost tribes of Israel. Judah originally of the tribes of Judah and Benjamin became one united Nation in 1948. The other reason that Islamic Nations want to eradicate Israel is that they know what the Old Testament says about the return of the Messiah to set up His Kingdom in Jerusalem which will prevent the Caliphate of Islamic Nations from gaining dominance in the Middle East. Always power and money at the expense of someone else and Satan trying to thwart Gods plan and purposes.

Well, remember the ten lost tribes of the Northern Kingdom of Israel; Reuben, Simeon, Issachar, Zebulun, Dan, Naphtali, Gad, Asher, Ephraim, and Manasseh, which were scattered after the death of Solomon. In reality across history there have been approximately eighty scatterings of the Jews. Ephraim and Manasseh were sons of Joseph, and the Bible says in Gen 48: 13-20 with the key that Ephraim would inherit the blessing of his grandfather Jacob (Israel) *“18-20, And Joseph said to his father, ‘not so my father, for this one is the first born. Place your right hand on his head’. But his father refused and said, ‘I know, my son, I know; he also shall become a people and he also shall be great. However, his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his descendants shall become a **multitude of Nations**’.* And he blessed them that day, saying, *‘by you Israel shall pronounce blessing, saying, May God make you Ephraim and Manasseh’!* Thus, he put Ephraim before Manasseh”. Ephraim thus has become the father of many Nations of the World. And, through modern history with the New Ages we have seen the population spread from the Middle East, Garden of Eden to Israel, through what is now Europe with emphasis on Spain and England as Christianity spread. Columbus was a devout Christian bringing the message of Christ to the Caribbean area of the New World. Likewise, John Winthrop and the Puritans left England to escape persecution, and by the Mayflower fleet aboard the ship Arbella landed at Plymouth Rock on Thatcher Island to form the Massachusetts Bay Colony. His vision of America described in his recordings *“A Model of Christian Charity”* indicate a contract (**Covenant**) for a new commonwealth for the Will and purpose of God – a unique civilization to which all Nations would look upon. He said, *“For we must consider that we shall be a City on a Hill, the eyes of all people on us”*. This was central in establishing a new government for a new Nation as America. John Winthrop, grandfather, and leader of a people known as Puritans, peoples associated with purity, began the foundation stone for America and led the first massive wave of immigrants from England to the new land. Winthrop established the Bible image that which is lifted up as an example, lifted up among Nations, an exemplary civilization, a model, a Nation sought by others, a civilization to give light to the World.

Mat 5:14-15 says *“You are the light of the World. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do men light a lamp, and put it under a peck-measure, but on the lampstand; and it gives light to all who are in the house”*. America has been and will continue to be the light of the World and a symbol of freedom for all peoples as long as God is the source of power and light of the Nation. Has He abandoned us; I personally do not think so? But He is awaiting the rising up of the Christian remnant to do what John Winthrop done but in

a different fashion, to take our Nation back and be a light on the hill again. If we do not do this John Winthrop's warning is stern. "Thus, stands the cause between God and us. We are entered into **Covenant** with Him for His work. The Lord will be our God, and delight to dwell among us, as His own people, and will command a blessing upon us in all our ways, so that we shall see much more of His wisdom, power, goodness, and truth. We shall find that the God of Israel is among us when ten of us shall be able to resist a thousand of our enemies. **"But, if we shall deal falsely with our God, but if our hearts shall turn away so we will not obey, and that we shall be seduced and worship other Gods and serve them as our pleasure and profits and deal falsely with our God in His work we have undertaken, and so cause Him to withdraw His present help from us, we shall be made a story and a by-word through the World. We shall surely perish"**.

Winthrop uses the word "shall" versus "will" which is an enforceable legal command. Do you personally realize the magnitude of this prophecy? Has this Nation committed a breach in Gods commandment and trust in us? I believe we are in a judgement phase and must turn back or else! We should not be anxious, distressed, or depressed over what the future holds for the United States of America, but realize God is in control. If we believe in Him, we are His occupants of this Nation until He returns for us. But in the meantime, we need to help to spread the message of the Gospel to all parts of the Earth.