



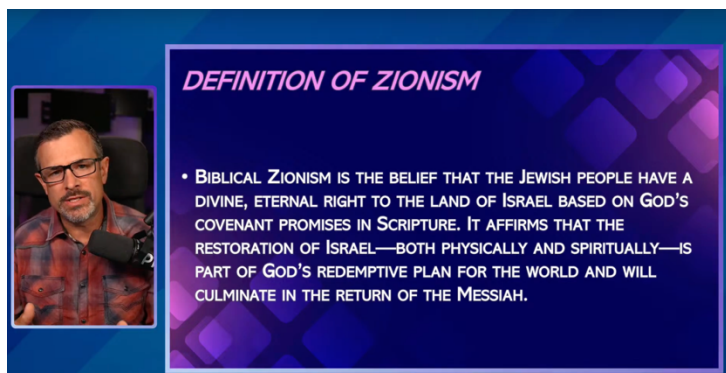
PASSIONFORTRUTH

WHERE NEW LIFE BEGINS

Whose Side Are We On? Understanding Israel Through the Lens of Scripture

Let's be clear—confusion isn't just ambient in our culture today; it's strategic. What we are witnessing is not merely ideological chaos, nor is it just another geopolitical flare-up. This is spiritual warfare on a prophetic scale. The spirit of the antichrist and the anti-Israel sentiment warned about in Scripture is not coming—**it's already here**. And in this hour of deception, of emotional rhetoric, and of weaponized narratives, one question must rise above all the noise:

WHAT DOES GOD ACTUALLY SAY?



This isn't about politics. It's not about opinion. It's not even about theology in the way most people understand it. This is prophetic. It is deeply tied to God's eternal covenants and His redemptive timeline for humanity. It matters now more than ever.

So, let's put aside the political commentaries and social media sound bites. We're going to the source—the

Word of God. We're going to examine what the prophets declared, what the covenants promised, and what Yeshua (Jesus) Himself revealed. Because in times like these, **clarity only comes from truth, and truth only comes from the One who is Truth.**

ARE WE ON THE SIDE OF ISRAEL OR NOT?

As the world debates whether to support Israel or stand with Palestinians—particularly the terror regime of Hamas—believers are caught in the crossfire of conflicting narratives. But I want to challenge that entire framework from the start.

The real question is not, "Are we on Israel's side?" or "Are we on the Palestinians' side?" The real question is: **Are we on God's side?**

Because if we are, then we must align with what He has said—not what political commentators or even well-meaning Christians say. We must stand under His authority and His Word. That means understanding His covenants, discerning His prophetic timeline, and embracing His heart for His people.

THE RISE OF ANTISEMITISM—AND ITS SPIRITUAL ROOTS

We're seeing something deeply concerning unfold before our eyes. Antisemitism is surging across the globe. It's not just fringe voices anymore. It's mainstream. Conservative influencers like Candace Owens—who many Christians admire—have gone public with statements that are shockingly hostile toward Israel. Whether it's social media posts or university protests, the ancient hatred of the Jewish people is reemerging in bold, unapologetic ways. And we have to ask ourselves: **Why now?**

Why is this happening again, as it did in the 1930s, leading up to the Holocaust? Why are there hundreds of thousands of people—many of them paid—protesting Israel's very existence? Why are Christian circles entertaining the idea that the Jewish people are somehow “of the devil” or that modern Israel is not part of God's plan? We must confront this head-on—not with fear or reaction, but with **Scripture**.

THE MISUSE OF REVELATION AND THE "SYNAGOGUE OF SATAN"

Let's begin in the book of Revelation, where confusion often starts. Two verses in particular—Revelation 2:9 and 3:9—are frequently twisted to justify anti-Jewish sentiments. These passages refer to those who "say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan." Critics of Israel and conspiracy theorists love to misuse these verses to claim that modern Jews are satanic impostors or part of some globalist cabal. Let's slow down and **look at this biblically**.


These verses are not blanket condemnations of the Jewish people. They are addressing individuals—whether ethnically Jewish or not—who **claim** to be God's people but **reject His ways**. In the first-century context, many of the Jews opposing the early followers of Yeshua were persecuting them. But just as easily, if John were writing today, he might say:

“I know the blasphemy of those who say they are Christians and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.”

You see? It's not about ethnicity. It's about **covenant**. Scripture draws a line not between Jew and Gentile, but between those who are **in covenant with God** and those who are not. You're either with Him—or against Him. There is no middle ground.

UNDERSTANDING BLOCK LOGIC: THE 30,000-FOOT VIEW

We must be careful not to fall into the trap of "microscope theology"—where we zoom in so tightly on one verse or one opinion that we lose the big picture. What's needed today is what I call **block logic**—looking at Scripture from the 30,000-foot view first. That's how the prophets wrote. That's how God reveals His plan.



Feature	Political Zionism	Religious/Biblical Zionism
Foundation	Secular nationalism	Biblical covenants & prophecy
Goal	Safe homeland for Jews	Fulfillment of divine promise
Leaders	Herzl, Ben-Gurion, secular thinkers	Rabbis, religious Jews, Christians
View of Israel	Political necessity	Divine inheritance
Role of God	Often absent or secondary	Central and primary
View of Messiah	Often symbolic or irrelevant	Essential to final restoration

From this vantage point, we must understand that:

- God's covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is **unconditional**.
- The Jewish people are still God's **chosen people**, even if they don't believe in Yeshua yet.
- God's promises will be fulfilled, **not because of the people's merit**, but because of **God's faithfulness**.

So even if many Jewish people today are secular, even if they don't follow Torah, even if they don't believe in Jesus—they are still the inheritors of the covenant. God is **still** working out His redemptive plan **through them**. And that's hard for many Christians to accept. But it's true. Scripture doesn't bend to our preferences.

WHOSE SIDE ARE WE ON? RETURNING TO GOD'S PERSPECTIVE IN A TIME OF DECEPTION

Let's be clear: confusion is not accidental. It's strategic. We are living in a time where the spirit warned about in Scripture—the antichrist spirit, the anti-Israel spirit—is reemerging with power and influence across the globe. It's gaining traction not just in secular circles, but in places we once thought were spiritually grounded. And as emotions boil over, as political narratives blur lines and cloud judgment, one question must rise above the noise:

Forget the tweets, the protests, the headlines—even your own opinions. It's time to go back to the only thing that's truly reliable in an age of lies and confusion: the Scriptures. The covenants. The prophets. The words of Yeshua (Jesus) Himself. This isn't theological hobbyism. It's prophetic urgency. What we believe now will shape how we respond—and possibly how we endure—what's coming next. In this hour, we must not ask whether we stand with Israel or against it. We must ask, **are we standing with God?**

A TIME LIKE NO OTHER

As war erupts again in the Middle East, people are scrambling to interpret the moment. Many ask: *Is this just another flare-up in a decades-old conflict? Or is this different?* If you've been alive more than 50 years, you've seen these wars before. But something is different this time. Prophetic timing is aligning. The world is being primed—spiritually, politically, economically—for something far greater than another headline cycle. We are moving closer and closer to the fulfillment of end-time prophecy. And in that context, a disturbing trend is growing: the rise of open antisemitism—on college campuses, across social media, and even among conservative thought leaders who should know better.

Take, for example, a recent post from Candace Owens. In a now-infamous tweet, she accused Israel of “bloodlust” and mocked the idea of supporting its defense as some kind of religious virtue signaling. It was raw, unfiltered, and—to many of us—deeply disappointing. But her words aren't an isolated opinion. They reflect a growing sentiment, even within the Church: that Israel is the aggressor, the oppressor, the problem. It's nothing new. The world has long had a problem with the Jewish people. But make no mistake—this isn't just political. It's *spiritual*. And it's prophetic.

UNDERSTANDING THE SCRIPTURES: THE "SYNAGOGUE OF SATAN" VERSES

Two verses in Revelation—chapter 2, verse 9 and chapter 3, verse 9—are frequently twisted by antisemitic voices to suggest that the Jewish people are inherently aligned with Satan. Let's read them:

“I know your works, tribulation, and poverty—but you are rich. And I know the blasphemy of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.”
— Revelation 2:9

“Indeed I will make those of the synagogue of Satan, who say they are Jews and are not, but lie—indeed I will make them come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you.”
— Revelation 3:9

At face value, these verses are challenging. But when interpreted without context—or worse, with malice—they are used to accuse the Jewish people as a whole of being evil or deceptive. That's not what these verses mean.

These Scriptures refer to *people who claim to be God's people but are not*. The same way we could say today that there are those who claim to be *Christians*—but by their fruits and doctrine, clearly are not. This isn't a wholesale condemnation of Jews any more than Paul's rebukes in his

letters were blanket denouncements of all Gentiles. It's about the *condition of the heart and covenant*, not ethnicity or national identity.

In truth, there have always been *two Israels*: one faithful, one rebellious. One walking in covenant, the other in apostasy. But God's promises to Israel were not made conditionally based on their performance. They were unconditional. Eternal. Made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—and not contingent upon belief in Yeshua. That is covenant logic. That is divine fidelity.

BLOCK LOGIC: THE 30,000-FOOT VIEW

Many believers make the mistake of interpreting Scripture with a microscope when what they need is a telescope. They get caught in granular arguments and miss the larger picture—the block logic that frames the entirety of God's redemptive plan.

Here's the 30,000-foot reality: just because many Jews today don't believe in Jesus doesn't mean God has abandoned them. Just because some are secular or wealthy or influential in Hollywood or banking doesn't mean they are inherently evil or pawns of Satan. And just because Israel was reestablished in 1948 with political help from secular Zionists doesn't mean its prophetic role is void.

God *always* uses what He must to fulfill His purposes—whether it's Pharaoh, Cyrus, Nebuchadnezzar, or even Herod. His plans are not limited by human belief, behavior, or bureaucracy. That's how sovereign He is.

And if we forget this, we will find ourselves misaligned—not with Israel or Hamas or any political group—but misaligned with *God Himself*.

WHAT'S AT STAKE

As global protests swell and prominent voices demonize Israel, we are watching Zechariah's prophecy unfold in real time:

“I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about...” — Zechariah 12:2

The world is becoming intoxicated with rage against Jerusalem. The hatred is being stirred—not just by people, but by principalities. This is spiritual warfare. And so I say again: the question is not, “Whose side are you on?”

The question is: **Are you on God's side?**

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ISRAEL: UNCHANGING PROMISES AND THE HEART OF THE REMNANT



In times of global uncertainty and intensifying conflict in the Middle East, many believers wrestle with how to understand the modern state of Israel through a biblical lens. Some question the legitimacy of national Israel, the spiritual status of the Jewish people, and God's role in the unfolding events. But when we return to Scripture, a clear picture

emerges: God is faithful to His covenant, not because of Israel's righteousness, but because of His own character and eternal promises.

THE APOSTLE PAUL ON ISRAEL'S IRREVOCABLE CALLING

Romans 11:28–29 provides a foundational truth often overlooked:

“As far as the gospel is concerned, they are enemies for your sake; but as far as election is concerned, they are beloved for the sake of the patriarchs, for God’s gifts and His call are irrevocable.”

Here, Paul addresses a tension: many of Israel rejected the gospel, placing them in opposition to its message. But this opposition does **not** mean rejection by God in every sense. Paul clarifies that their election—as the chosen people tied to the covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—remains intact. God's gifts and calling are **irrevocable**, not subject to change based on current beliefs or behavior.

Importantly, this passage speaks not of individual salvation but of **corporate calling**. The term “enemy” used here doesn't imply hostility deserving violence—it simply means opposition to the gospel. The speaker wisely points out that many Jewish individuals, including rabbis, are not enemies in any personal or spiritual sense—they simply do not yet see the Messiah.

NATIONAL ELECTION VS. INDIVIDUAL SALVATION

There is a critical distinction in Scripture between God's covenantal promises to Israel as a nation and the personal salvation offered through Yeshua (Jesus). The covenant given to Abraham in Genesis 17 is **everlasting**:

***“I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and your descendants after you.”
(Genesis 17:7)***

This covenant was unconditional. It wasn't based on Israel's performance but on God's faithfulness. As Paul later emphasizes in Romans, God's commitment is grounded in His **oath**, not human merit.

A MISGUIDED OBSESSION WITH LINEAGE

Some critics today claim the Jews in Israel are not the "real" Jews, suggesting modern Israel lacks legitimacy. But this line of thinking falters under both Scripture and history.

Even secular historians acknowledge that many Arabs living in Israel today descend from Jews who converted to Islam centuries ago. During the Islamic conquests of the 7th century, many Jewish farmers and villagers converted under duress. Generations later, their descendants are often unaware of their heritage.

God, however, doesn't base His covenantal dealings on genetic purity or tribal pedigree. In Exodus 12:49, He declares:

“There shall be one law for the native and for the sojourner who sojourns among you.”

When the Israelites left Egypt, a **mixed multitude** joined them—non-Israelites who chose to follow God. God accepted them equally under His law. What mattered was covenantal obedience, not ethnicity.

GOD'S FAITHFULNESS IN SPITE OF REBELLION

Time and again in Scripture, Israel strays from God, and yet God remains faithful. Leviticus 26:44–45 is striking:

“Yet in spite of this, when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not reject them... I will remember the covenant with their ancestors.”

Even in disobedience and exile, God's covenant remains. Why? Because He made a promise, and His name is on the line.

Ezekiel 36:22–24 reinforces this:

“It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of My holy name... I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land.”

God’s plan is not driven by Israel’s behavior. His motivation is His **own holiness**—His name and reputation among the nations.

THE REMNANT: GOD’S HEARTBEAT

The heart of God has always been drawn to the **remnant**—a faithful minority who remain devoted to Him. This is echoed in the story of **Sodom and Gomorrah**, when Abraham pleaded for God to spare the cities if even a handful of righteous people could be found. God agreed. The principle stands: He is willing to withhold judgment for the sake of the few who are faithful.

Apply this to Israel today. Even if the secular government is flawed—even if the nation as a whole does not yet recognize Yeshua—God sees the **remnant**. He sees Messianic Jews, faithful believers, and covenant-keeping men and women. Would He not defend the entire nation for their sake?

A WARNING TO THE NATIONS

Zechariah 12 paints a sobering end-time picture:

“I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling to all the surrounding peoples... And all the nations of the earth will gather against it.”
“They will look upon Me whom they have pierced.”

This prophecy foretells that Jerusalem will become the focal point of global conflict. And yet God promises to **judge every nation** that comes against her. The message is clear: **God defends Jerusalem—not because of the city’s perfection, but because of His plan and His name.** To stand against Israel in the end times, Pastor Staley warns, is to risk standing against God Himself.

REPLACING JUDGMENT WITH HUMILITY

The challenge to believers is not to take on God’s role of judgment. Instead of focusing on who is “really” Jewish, or whether Israel deserves God’s favor, we should be asking ourselves: *Where do I stand in my covenant with God? Am I aligned with His heart, or with the world’s bias?*

God's dealings with nations and individuals are different. National Israel may fall short in many ways. But if God was willing to preserve a wicked city for the sake of a few righteous, would He not do the same for a land He promised to Abraham?

FINAL THOUGHTS: CHOOSE GOD'S SIDE

The modern believer is invited into humility, discernment, and love. We must avoid making sweeping political or theological declarations without a full understanding of Scripture. Criticizing national Israel in ignorance may place us in opposition to God's prophetic plan.

Instead, we should pray for the **peace of Jerusalem**, advocate for the **Messianic remnant**, and trust that God's justice and mercy will prevail in the end.

"Love is the fulfillment of the law." (Romans 13:10)

Let us respond not with condemnation, but with intercession. Let us seek God's heart, walk in covenant, and above all, ensure we are standing—not with politics, not with ideology—but with the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

Watch the full teaching here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=auNUImqXxqw>



Passion For Truth Ministries

P.O. Box 365 ♦ 5323 Highway N
Cottleville, MO 63338-9998
Email: info@passionfortruth.com
♦ www.passionfortruth.com ♦