## The Jews and The End-Time Temple

We live in an era of confusion and deception, and it is going to get worse with AI!

So, please do not be confused by claims that the Jews are about to build a temple, or that the Antichrist will enter *that* Temple and claim to be God. The Bible itself proves those claims to be unbiblical, and in the very same chapter where we are told this, we are also told that those who accept these claims do so under a "strong delusion" sent from God to those who "receive not the love of the truth, that they might be saved, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12.

As a result, it is sad to see that many in the Church of God are deluded because God has told us that the Jews are **not** instrumental in the End-Time events until Jerusalem is under the final siege when "all the people of the earth" are gathered together "against it", Zechariah 12:3.

Why is it so sad? Because, unlike today's churches, the early, true Christian Church *recognised* that the Jews were no longer God's Chosen people, Matthew 21:42-45, 'Jesus saith unto them, Did ye never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes? Therefore say I unto you, **The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.** And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.'

Did you understand that? Many in the COG don't, even as arm waving Christians swoon over Messianic Jews with their prayer shawls and tassels! Matthew 13:14-15: And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive: For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

Matthew 8:11-12, 'And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Enough has been written by the Apostle Paul about the many attempts of the Jews to gain control over and ritualise that then new Christianity with the obsolete traditions of Judaism, that we should beware of modern day attempts to entangle us with their unscriptural attempts to create a man-made temple in Jerusalem. So let us examine some of their unscriptural beliefs.

1 Corinthians 3:16. 'Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?' Yes, there will be a Temple in Jerusalem during the first half of the final 7 Year End-Time, the "tribulation of those days" - until the "King of the North" invades Israel and sends an army after the fleeing broadcasters. (Jeremiah 31:6-9, Daniel 11:40-41, Matthew 24:16-20, Revelation 12:15-16.) When you read those words, picture those who obey Revelation 18:4, 'And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her my people, that you be not partakers of her sins, and that you receive not of her plagues,' just after the First Angel of Revelation 14 delivers his miraculous worldwide message, starting the 7 year Tribulation, not the rejected Jews!

1 Corinthians 3:17. 'If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.' It will be a holy Temple of obedient Christians who bravely honour God's End-Time commands.

1Peter 2:5, 'you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.' Leaving their nations to go to Jerusalem to broadcast a message of hope to the then captive nations of Israel, [Jeremiah 31] the US, UK and it's dominions, which they know will infuriate the "Beast", is a spiritual *sacrifice* that costs some of them their lives, Daniel 11:35-36.

It is to the assembly of *that* holy temple in Jerusalem that the Antichrist comes, not to the Jews, 2 Thessalonians 2:4, 'so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.' For the previous 3½ years, God's people have been in the safest place on earth as they fulfil Jeremiah 31:6-8, because of his covenant (Dan. 9:27). The Beast has in that time expanded his Empire, but at the half-way point in the 7 years he invades Israel as a stepping-stone to the Middle East oil and it seems that he takes advantage of his chance to silence the broadcast which includes prophetic warnings not to worship the Beast, who will end up in the lake of fire. (Revelation 19:20)

However, despite his arrival in Jerusalem, he is too late to capture those who are forewarned by Jeremiah 6:1-2, and flee South from Tekoa through the wilderness of Judea, where they are rescued from the Beast's pursuing army by Christ, Revelation 12:15-16.

So, it will not be a physical Jewish temple in which he seats himself, 2 Thessalonians 2:4, 'Who opposes and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself [to those that remained too long] Daniel11:32] that he is God.' There were, and will be no seats

in the Temple the Jews *may* build, so he would find it find it difficult to sit down in a Jewish temple, unlike a church building.

In truth, it is the Messiah who builds the Millennial Temple, the ultimate physical Temple of the Lord, Zechariah 6:12-13, 'And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is The BRANCH; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the LORD: Even he shall build the temple of the LORD; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both,' foreshadowed here by Joshua as a token and prelude of the Messianic age.

From *that* Temple will flow a miraculous river, which will heal the oceans of the world; such a river would need a Divine Builder, in the coming Millennium. Read about it in Ezekiel 47!

Finally, the survivors of the descendants of the 12 Tribes will be gathered from the nations in which they have been held captive, to their ancient homeland of Israel, Ezekiel 37:19, 'say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Surely I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel, his companions; and I will join them with it, with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they will be one in My hand." '

They will again become one nation, The family of Abraham grown big, then led by the Divine Family of Kings and Priests, and prepared to carry God's way to the nations, pictured by that water flowing from the Temple of God, refreshing first the Dead Sea, then the Arabah and the Mediterranean, then the whole world.

Today, the Orthodox Jews have constructed a corner-stone in preparation for what they believe will be their temple, as well as various temple related utensils, as well as breeding red heifers for sacrifice, and training priests who are very unlikely to ever serve in God's Temple, unless they repent, Revelation 5:10, 'And hast made **us** unto our God kings and **priests**: and we shall reign on the earth.' Zechariah 12:10, 'And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and **they shall mourn** for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.'

However, the Jews do recognise that the physical Temple cannot be built until the Messiah arrives, Zechariah 6:13, 'Even he shall build the temple of the LORD; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.'

So, the Temple in which the Beast blasphemes is a spiritual one, made up of Jesus Christ's servants who carry out their sacrificial witness at God's command, providing hope to the desolate in their broadcast to the darkened world of the captive Israelites of the US, UK etc., as in the German and Japanese camps during the last world war.

'For there shall be a day, that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the LORD our God.

For thus saith the LORD; Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O LORD, save thy people, the remnant of Israel.

Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the coasts of the earth, and with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together: a great company shall return thither.

They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

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