THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A "GENTILE" BELIEVER IN CHRIST

In Ephesians 2:11–13, the apostle Paul specifically says, we were once Gentiles in the flesh, but now, in Christ Jesus, we who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

Therefore, there is no such thing as a "Gentile" believer in Christ, because the word "Gentile" in the Greek means: A heathen, pagan, nation of people, who are out of covenant with God.

As such, those who are Gentiles have the following "fruit," or "attributes" associated with them:

- ❖ They do not have or "obey" God's law. Therefore, they are out of covenant with God, for God does not "justify" the "hearers" of the law. Rather, God "justifies" the "doers" of the law, who show the work of the law written in their hearts, based on Romans 2:12–16.
- ❖ They are "idolatrous" based on First Corinthians 12:1–3.
- ❖ They are "uncircumcised" in their hearts and are without Christ. Therefore, they are aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants (plural—not just the New Covenant) of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world, based on Ephesians 2:11–13.
- ❖ They know about God, but do not glorify Him, or give Him thanks. Therefore, they are futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts are darkened. As such, the wrath of God is against them due to their "ungodliness," and "unrighteousness," since they suppress the truth in "unrighteousness," based on Romans 1:18–23.
- ❖ They are wicked and have given themselves up to "uncleanness," based on the lusts of their hearts, and they have exchanged the truth of God for a lie. As such, they worship the created, rather than the Creator. Moreover, they "practice" evil and wicked things, and they "approve" of those who do the same, based on Romans 1:24–32.
- ❖ They are dead in their trespasses and sins, and they "walk" according to the ways of this world, based on the dictates of the prince of the power of the air (Satan), whose Spirit—the "Spirit of Antichrist," accomplishes his work through the sons of disobedience. As such, they conduct themselves according to the lusts of their flesh and of their mind and are still children of wrath, based on Ephesians 2:1−3.

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Therefore, disciples of Jesus Christ are no longer Gentiles as substantiated by the apostle Paul in Galatians 3:28–29, which says, "There is neither JEW nor GREEK [Gentile], there is neither SLAVE nor FREE, there is neither MALE nor FEMALE; for you are ALL ONE in CHRIST JESUS. And if you are CHRIST'S, then you are ABRAHAM'S SEED, and HEIRS according to the PROMISE." (NKJV) (emphasis added).

Furthermore, since we are heirs according to the promise because we are of Abraham's "seed," we as believers in Jesus Christ must know what the promises are God gave to Abraham when He established the everlasting covenant with Abraham and his descendants.

Moreover, we must know what Abraham and his descendants had to do to "receive" these covenant promises from God as well, based on their faith in God, which was evidenced by their obedience.

In Book 2 of this series, which is subtitled, "The Root," I will fully convey "what" the Abrahamic Covenant is, and "how" it is still applicable to New Covenant believers.

Unfortunately, many of God's people are unknowingly breaking this everlasting covenant our heavenly Father, Yehovah, established with Abraham, due to our ignorance of the whole counsel of God's Word, and a lack of understanding concerning our "Hebraic" roots in Christianity. Notice I did not say our "Jewish" roots in Christianity because Abraham was not Jewish; he was Hebrew, which I will cover in Chapter 5 of Book 1, subtitled, *The Foundation*.

Furthermore, once we understand "who" Israel is, and we know about the Abrahamic Covenant and its relevance to New Covenant believers, then we must answer the question, "why does it matter?"

Therefore, in Book 3 Volume I through IV of this series, which is subtitled, "The Branches and the Fruit," I will teach God's people what the Lord has placed upon my heart for such a time as this. This teaching is based on the whole counsel of His Word, for His people are perishing from a lack of knowledge based on the apostate teachings prevalent in the body of Christ.

In, Book 3 Volume I through IV, I will be exposing many of the false teachings which are prevalent in the body of Christ based on the "traditions," "customs," and "doctrine" of men. Many have exchanged the truth of God's Word for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature, rather than the Creator, because we have been deceived, and led astray. And, one of the many things we are deceived about is concerning "who" Israel is.

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Also, it is one thing for us to seek to understand and answer the question, "who is Israel?" However, we must also know the relevance of "why" this matters, and in "what" ways this is relevant and applicable to New Covenant believers.

In other words, what good is it for God's people to have knowledge of His Word, if we do not seek to "apply" it to the way we live our lives, which should be according to the whole counsel of His Word?

Before most believers in the body of Christ will "apply" God's knowledge and wisdom to the way we live our lives, first we must know "why" it is relevant and necessary for us to do so.

Therefore, until the body of Christ knows beyond a shadow of a doubt "who" Israel is based on the whole counsel of God's Word, and its relevance to New Covenant believers, most are going to continue to believe the Old Testament was written only for the Jews from the House of Judah.

This "mindset" is contrary to God's Word, especially since God established a New Covenant with both houses!

The same holds true for those who believe and teach the end-time Scriptures were written for only the Jews because the Church will be "raptured" off the earth before most of the end-time signs come to pass—because "it is written…"

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