WHO IS (OR WILL BE) ISRAEL???

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Over the last fifteen years, I have researched this and have many books on the subject. I will have to admit that the possibility that gentile believers in Yehoshua were **ALL** from the scattered Lost Tribes of the House of Israel fascinated me, and made me consider that we should live the way Yehovah expected Israel to live — by His Written Torah — which I started doing. However, I have come to see it differently after studying, in depth, over and over, all of the Hebrew Prophets and the Hebrew Gospel of Matthew. This is a short synopsis of my conclusion TO DATE (which does include continuing to strive to keep the Written Torah, by the way!):

I believe there are three different groups of people who are alive at Yehoshua's return that will be joined together physically as the Messianic Kingdom of Heaven in Israel. (Their supernatural change and the immortality of the resurrected saints who are coming back with Yehoshua will have to be the topic for another article...)

- 1) The House of Judah The Jews who have never lost their identity as Jews, even after being exiled around 586 BC to Babylon, and a portion of them returned seventy years later. Even after being scattered all throughout the world after approximately 70 AD by the Roman Empire when their Temple was destroyed, they have been able to retain their Jewish identity. Yehovah did this for His Servant David's sake. I think out of these Jews, those who believe in Yehoshua, whom today we refer to as Messianic Jews, will be part of those gathered (if they are not already there).
- 2) The House of Ephraim, alternately called The House of Israel the tribes of Israel that did lose their identity when they were cast out of the Land of Israel and divorced by Yehovah around 723 BC. Yehovah used the Assyrian Empire to do this. From the beginning, they never had a king who tried to be obedient to Yehovah! After being so merciful for so long, He finally had enough of their gross disobedience to His Torah and gave them the ultimate curse of being cast out of the Land. There are and always have been various theories of who these tribes are, including the "Britain/America is the Kingdom of Israel" theory, the "Native Americans are the House of Israel" theory, and the "ALL the believers in Yehoshua among the gentiles all over the world are the House of Israel" theory. But I do not believe anyone truly knows who they are and may not ever know until Yehoshua gathers all of His sheep back into the Land at His Return (The Day of Yehovah). I THINK THE PEOPLE WHO ARE OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL WHO WILL BE GATHERED ARE BELIEVERS IN YEHOSHUA, BUT THEY HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING NOW WHETHER THEY ARE OF THESE "LOST TRIBES" OR NOT. If it is possible to know in the future with DNA testing, or some other way, we do not know.
- 3) The "Sons of the Stranger" "B'ney haNechar" (also referred to as "Goyim" the gentiles/nations, and "Geriym" the sojourners [those who lived among the Israelites]) that He allowed to hear the good news of the Kingdom of Heaven through Yehoshua and were allowed

to enter into the New Covenant <u>WITH</u> the House of Judah and the House of Israel. IT IS IMPORTANT TO REALIZE THAT THERE IS NO SEPARATE COVENANT WITH GENTILES SPOKEN OF IN THE BIBLE. The New Covenant is still spoken of as with the House of Israel and the House of Judah (Jeremiah 31:27-40). The gentiles are joining Yehovah and joining His People Israel when they enter into the New Covenant He made with the House of Israel and the House of Judah through the Blood of Yehoshua (Isaiah 56:1-8).

Only by studying the history of Israel starting with the idolatry of King Solomon (I Kings 11 forward) can one understand why Yehovah split Israel into two houses in the first place. It was a truly sad event, but shows us that Yehovah truly hates idolatry...King Solomon started out right and was given wisdom and riches from God above all the men in the world. Yehovah Elohim appeared to him twice! However, he still eventually committed idolatry himself and acquiesced to making idolatrous high places for his foreign wives to sacrifice and worship their gods!!! That may be why his punishment was so severe...

But, because of Yehovah's Great Mercy, The House of Judah and The House of Israel, are spoken of in what seems like HUNDREDS OF VERSES to be regathered back into their land in the end time, usually referred to in the prophecies as "IN THAT DAY," which is a reference to "THE DAY OF THE LORD (YEHOVAH)." This will be when the Messiah Yehoshua returns from Heaven and will rule the world from Jerusalem. First, though, "IN THAT DAY," He will punish all the nations round about Israel that came against her, some of them to become utterly desolate, such as Babylon and Edom (all these chapters: Jeremiah 25, Isaiah 11, Ezekiel 25-32, Ezekiel 38-39, Zechariah 12-14, Isaiah 13-26 are just a sample of the prophecies.) At the same time, "IN THAT DAY" Yehoshua will gather, from all over the world, His Chosen/His Elect ("Nivcharayv"), also called His Sheep, descended from the two Houses of Israel to become His One Nation/One Fold of Israel again. Here are synopses of just a few of the prophecies:

Ezekiel 37:15-28 - Very, very explicit: The House of Judah and the House of Ephraim, referred to here as the two sticks, will be joined as one stick in Yehovah's Hand. They will be one nation with One King/Shepherd (Messiah) over them. They will (finally) be faithfully obedient to Yehovah's Judgments (Mishpatiym) and His Statutes (Chukot) – His Written Torah!:

[Ezekiel 37:15-28 KJV] 15 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying, 16 Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and [for] all the house of Israel his companions: 17 And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand. 18 And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not shew us what thou [meanest] by these? 19 Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which [is] in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, [even] with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand. 20 And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes. 21 And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their

own land: 22 And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all: 23 NEITHER SHALL THEY DEFILE THEMSELVES ANY MORE WITH THEIR IDOLS, NOR WITH THEIR DETESTABLE THINGS, NOR WITH ANY OF THEIR TRANSGRESSIONS: BUT I WILL SAVE THEM OUT OF ALL THEIR DWELLINGPLACES, WHEREIN THEY HAVE SINNED, AND WILL CLEANSE THEM: SO SHALL THEY BE MY PEOPLE, AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD. 24 And David my servant [shall be] king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: THEY SHALL ALSO WALK IN MY JUDGMENTS, AND OBSERVE MY STATUTES, AND DO THEM. 25 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, [even] they, and their children, and their children's children for ever: and my servant David [shall be] their prince for ever. 26 Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore. 27 My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 28 And the heathen shall know that I the LORD do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

Hosea 1-2 – and Isaiah 10:20-22 - The People of Judah and the People of Israel will come up out of the earth and will appoint One Head over them (The Messiah). Only a Remnant of The House of Israel, who had been multiplied exponentially as the sand of the sea, shall no longer be divorced and called "Not My People," and now will be called "Children of the Living God"!

Isaiah 11:10-15 - I believe this passage includes not only the Outcasts of Israel and the Dispersed of Judah that will be gathered from the four corners of the earth, but also states that "The Nations (HaGoyyim) will seek The Messiah's counsel.

Jeremiah 23:5-8 – This specifically says that during the reign of "The Righteous Branch of David" (The MESSIAH) is the time period when Judah shall be delivered and Israel will dwell secure!

Micah 5:1-3, 6 – This states that when "She who is to bear has borne" in Bethlehem the One who is to rule Israel, whose origins are from eternity (The Messiah), THAT IS WHEN THE REST ("YETER") OF HIS BROTHERS WILL RETURN TO THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL. I think this means that belief in Yehoshua as the Messiah, the Son of God, begins the process of the House of Israel being restored to the House of Judah (called here the children of Israel, since they are the only identifiable portion of Israel left). Verse 6 states that "the Remnant of Jacob shall be IN THE MIDST OF THE MANY PEOPLES." I believe this means that many of the believers in Yehoshua FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD must be from the House of Israel.

There are so many more scriptures that confirm that The House of Judah and the House of Israel will both be regathered to the Land of Israel in the Messianic Kingdom! I will direct you to my in-depth free article on my website that lists as many prophecies as I could find:

"THERE IS NOT A "RAPTURE TO HEAVEN"!!! BUT THERE IS A WONDERFUL PHYSICAL REGATHERING OF ALL THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL TO THE SUPERNATURAL LAND OF ISRAEL AT YEHOSHUA'S SECOND COMING ON THE DAY OF YEHOVAH!!!," January 6, 2025, www.theholyArmoftheLord.com

*** An important caveat is that Yehovah qualifies who of the Tribes of Israel will be able to return at that time. THE REBELLIOUS OF ISRAEL WILL NOT! (Isaiah 59:20 [KJV]: "And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and from them who turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD" Also Ezekiel 20:38 [JPS]: "I will remove from you those who rebel and transgress against Me; I will take them out of the countries where they sojourn, but they shall NOT enter the Land of Israel!" Also Isaiah 57:3-21 and more). Since the gathering back of so many Jews to the Land of Israel since the mid-late 1800's includes those who are rebellious to Yehovah's ways (Tel Aviv is considered by some to be the LGBTQ capital of the world!), the gathering, even up until today, cannot be seen as the complete fulfillment of these prophecies. However, I believe it is a necessary part, because there have to be Jews in the Land of Israel for the prophecies to actually come to pass in the Day of Yehovah! (Also, many of the Jews are coming to repentance and faith in Yehoshua right there in Israel, becoming Messianic Jews!) There are many, many examples of Jewish people having to be in the Land, but here are a few:

[Zechariah 12:1-9 KJV] 1 The burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him. 2 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah [and] against Jerusalem. 3 And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it. 4 In that day, saith the LORD, I will smite every horse with astonishment, and his rider with madness: and I WILL OPEN MINE EYES UPON THE HOUSE OF JUDAH, and will smite every horse of the people (evil people attacking Jerusalem) with blindness. 5 And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart, The inhabitants of Jerusalem [shall be] my strength in the LORD of hosts their God. 6 In that day will I make THE GOVERNORS OF JUDAH like an hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and THEY shall devour all the people round about, on the right hand and on the left: and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place, [even] in Jerusalem. 7 THE LORD ALSO SHALL SAVE THE TENTS OF JUDAH FIRST, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnify [themselves] against Judah. 8 IN THAT DAY SHALL THE LORD DEFEND THE INHABITANTS OF JERUSALEM; and he that is feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David [shall be] as God, as the angel of the LORD before them. 9 AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THAT DAY, [THAT] I WILL SEEK TO DESTROY ALL THE NATIONS THAT COME AGAINST JERUSALEM.

[Matthew 23:37-39 KJV] 37 O JERUSALEM, JERUSALEM, [thou] that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under [her] wings, and ye would not! 38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. 39 For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, TILL <u>YE SHALL SAY, Blessed [is]</u> he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

(This passage shows that THERE EVEN HAVE TO BE JEWISH BELIEVERS IN JERUSALEM WHEN YEHOSHUA RETURNS!)

So, I believe the regathering of the Jews now is very much like the fact that the New Covenant has been made available ever since Yehoshua's death, burial, and resurrection, and we are able to experience SOME of the promises of it now in our lifetimes. But, the New Covenant will not be **completely fulfilled** until the Return of Yehoshua on the Day of Yehovah! All of the prophecies of the Messiah will only take place then! In the same way, the complete regathering of Yehovah's People will not take place until the Day of Yehovah at Yehoshua's return (Matthew 24:27-31):

[Matthew 24:27-31 KJV] 27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. 29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: 30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31 AND HE SHALL SEND HIS ANGELS WITH A GREAT SOUND OF A TRUMPET, AND THEY SHALL GATHER TOGETHER HIS ELECT FROM THE FOUR WINDS, FROM ONE END OF HEAVEN TO THE OTHER.

HOWEVER, during all of my study, even with the plethora of scriptures that seem to imply that only the House of Judah and the House of Israel will be gathered back to The Land, I could never get away from the fact that there are some scriptures (though not nearly as many!) that let us know that even the strangers are part of Yehovah's great salvation plan! As I contind to dig into the prophecies, I saw that even the "strangers" who join themselves to Yehovah by Covenant (I believe the New Covenant sealed with the Blood of Yehoshua) to love and serve Him, doing no evil and keeping His Sabbaths will ALSO be granted salvation, will ALSO be gathered to Israel, and will be given entrance into the Kingdom of Heaven! I have found that THEY WILL LIVE COMPLETELY AS NATIVE BORN ISRAELITE CITIZENS, AND EVEN INHERIT LAND IN ISRAEL IN WHATEVER TRIBE THEY CHOOSE! They are explicitly TOLD NOT TO SAY THEY ARE SEPARATE FROM YEHOVAH'S PEOPLE (ISRAEL)! They will also go up to Mount Zion in Jerusalem to learn Yehovah's Torah of how He expects His People to live obediently to Him. No stranger (ben-nechar) that is unclean or uncircumcised in heart or flesh will even be able to enter Jerusalem, much less go into the House of Yehovah to worship on Mount Zion! They will definitely learn about and keep the Feasts of Yehovah! I highly encourage a careful study of the scriptures below and come to your own conclusion:

Isaiah 49:1-6

Isaiah 56:1-8

Zechariah 2:11

Isaiah 2:1-4

Micah 4:1-4

Ezekiel 44:9

Ezekiel 44:24 Ezekiel 47:21-23 Amos 9:11-12 Matthew 8:10-12

I AM THANKFUL TO KNOW THAT I <u>AM</u> PART OF ISRAEL, YEHOVAH'S CHOSEN PEOPLE, BY THE NEW COVENANT SEALED WITH YEHOSHUA'S BLOOD, WHETHER I AM DESCENDED FROM ONE OF THE TRIBES OF ISRAEL OR COMPLETELY ORIGINALLY GENTILE!

LEARNING THIS CHANGED EVERYTHING!

[Isaiah 49:1-6 KJV] 1 Listen, O isles, unto me; and hearken, ye people, from far; The LORD hath called me from the womb; from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name. 2 And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand hath he hid me, and made me a polished shaft; in his quiver hath he hid me; 3 And said unto me, Thou [art] my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified. 4 Then I said, I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nought, and in vain: [yet] surely my judgment [is] with the LORD, and my work with my God. 5 And now, saith the LORD that formed me from the womb [to be] his servant, to bring Jacob again to him, Though Israel be not gathered, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and my God shall be my strength. 6 And he said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will ALSO give thee for a light to the Gentiles (Goyim), that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.

(***Here Yehovah is obviously speaking to The Messiah and calling Him "Israel," I believe, because all true Israelites at His return will be believers in Him. This servant cannot be "Israel" raising up itself as most Jews believe—see verse 6)

[Isaiah 56:1-8 KJV] 1 Thus saith the LORD, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: FOR MY SALVATION [IS] NEAR TO COME, AND MY RIGHTEOUSNESS TO BE REVEALED (THIS SHOWS YEHOVAH IS SPEAKING OF THE END TIME). 2 Blessed [is] the man [that] doeth this, and the son of man [that] layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil. 3 NEITHER LET THE SON OF THE STRANGER (Ben haNechar), THAT HATH JOINED HIMSELF TO THE LORD, SPEAK, SAYING, THE LORD HATH UTTERLY SEPARATED ME FROM HIS PEOPLE: neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I [am] a dry tree. 4 For thus saith the LORD unto the eunuchs that keep my sabbaths, and choose [the things] that please me, and take hold of my covenant; 5 Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off. 6 ALSO THE SONS OF THE STRANGER (B'ney haNechar), that join themselves to the LORD, to serve him, and to love the name of the LORD, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant; 7 Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings

and their sacrifices [shall be] accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people. 8 The Lord GOD which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, <u>YET WILL I GATHER</u> [OTHERS] TO HIM, BESIDE THOSE THAT ARE GATHERED UNTO HIM.

(*** This is one of the most important prophecies for gentile believers to see!!! Notice that the Sons of the Stranger who have come into covenant with Him absolutely are told that they are joined to Yehovah AND His People Israel and are NOT TO SAY THAT THEY ARE NOT! This has to be an end-time prophecy because it says they will be gathered along with the outcasts of Israel to be with him [Israel/Jacob]!!! The fact that eunuchs are welcomed into His House is also a clue that this is speaking of the New Covenant— eunuchs were not under the Sinai Covenant!)

[Isaiah 2:1-4 KJV] 1 The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. 2 And it shall come to pass in the last days, [that] the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. 3 And MANY PEOPLE (amiym rabbiym) shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, TO THE HOUSE OF THE GOD OF JACOB; and he will teach us of HIS WAYS, and we will walk in HIS PATHS: FOR OUT OF ZION SHALL GO FORTH THE LAW (TORAH), AND THE WORD OF THE LORD FROM JERUSALEM. 4 And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

[Micah 4:1-4 KJV] 1 But in the last days it shall come to pass, [that] THE MOUNTAIN OF THE HOUSE OF THE LORD SHALL BE ESTABLISHED IN THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAINS, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and PEOPLE SHALL FLOW UNTO IT. 2 AND MANY NATIONS (goyim rabbiym) SHALL COME, AND SAY, COME, AND LET US GO UP TO THE MOUNTAIN OF THE LORD, AND TO THE HOUSE OF THE GOD OF JACOB; AND HE WILL TEACH US OF HIS WAYS, AND WE WILL WALK IN HIS PATHS: FOR THE LAW (TORAH) SHALL GO FORTH OF ZION, AND THE WORD OF THE LORD FROM JERUSALEM. 3 And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. 4 But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make [them] afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken [it].

***[Ezekiel 44:9 KJV] 9 THUS SAITH THE LORD GOD; <u>NO STRANGER (Ben Nechar), UNCIRCUMCISED IN HEART, NOR UNCIRCUMCISED IN FLESH, SHALL ENTER INTO MY SANCTUARY, OF ANY STRANGER (Ben Nechar) THAT [IS] AMONG THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL.</u>

(***NOTE: IN ORDER FOR THE "MANY NATIONS" TO BE ABLE TO GO UP <u>TO YEHOVAH'S HOUSE</u> IN JERUSALEM, THEY WILL HAVE TO BE CIRCUMCISED IN THE FLESH AS WELL AS THE HEART! THE FOLLOWING VERSE CONFIRMS THAT AND THAT <u>NO UNCIRCUMCISED OR UNCLEAN PERSON WILL EVEN</u> BE ABLE TO GO INTO JERUSALEM!)

***[Isaiah 52:1 KJV] 1 Awake, awake; put on thy strength, <u>O ZION</u>; put on thy beautiful garments, O <u>JERUSALEM, THE HOLY CITY</u>: for henceforth <u>THERE SHALL NO MORE COME INTO THEE THE</u> UNCIRCUMCISED AND THE UNCLEAN.

[Ezekiel 44:15, 23-24 KJV] 15 But the priests the Levites, the sons of Zadok, that kept the charge of my sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come near to me to minister unto me, and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood, saith the Lord GOD: ... 23 And they shall teach MY PEOPLE [THE DIFFERENCE] BETWEEN THE HOLY AND PROFANE, AND CAUSE THEM TO DISCERN BETWEEN THE UNCLEAN AND THE CLEAN. 24 And in controversy they shall stand in judgment; [and] they shall judge it according to MY JUDGMENTS: and they shall keep MY LAWS AND MY STATUTES in all mine assemblies (FEASTS – APPOINTED TIMES); and THEY SHALL HALLOW MY SABBATHS.

[Ezekiel 47:21-23 KJV] 21 SO SHALL YE DIVIDE THIS LAND UNTO YOU ACCORDING TO THE TRIBES OF ISRAEL. 22 AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS, [THAT] YE SHALL DIVIDE IT BY LOT FOR AN INHERITANCE UNTO YOU, AND TO THE STRANGERS THAT SOJOURN AMONG YOU (hageriym hagariym b'tochchem), WHICH SHALL BEGET CHILDREN AMONG YOU: AND THEY SHALL BE UNTO YOU AS BORN IN THE COUNTRY AMONG THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL (c'ezrach b'ney yis'ra'el); THEY SHALL HAVE INHERITANCE WITH YOU AMONG THE TRIBES OF ISRAEL. 23 AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS, [THAT] IN WHAT TRIBE THE STRANGER SOJOURNETH, THERE SHALL YE GIVE [HIM] HIS INHERITANCE, SAITH THE LORD GOD.

(***NOTE: THE ABOVE PASSAGE MAKES IT CLEAR THAT, IN THE MESSIANIC KINGDOM, THE STRANGERS THAT ARE JOINED TO YEHOVAH BY COVENANT WILL ABSOLUTELY BE TO THE TRIBES OF ISRAEL AS NATIVE BORN ISRAELITES (c'ezrach b'ney yis'ra'el), EVEN INHERITING LAND IN ISRAEL IN WHATEVER TRIBE THEY CHOOSE!!! THE HEBREW WORD "EZRACH" MEANS "NATIVE-BORN" – "A NATIVE BORN CITIZEN")

[Zechariah 2:11 KJV] 11 <u>AND MANY NATIONS (rabbiym goyim) SHALL BE JOINED TO THE LORD IN THAT DAY, AND SHALL BE MY PEOPLE</u>: and I will dwell in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto thee.

[Amos 9:11-12 KJV] 11 In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old: 12 THAT THEY MAY POSSESS THE REMNANT OF EDOM, AND OF ALL THE HEATHEN (haGoyim), WHICH ARE CALLED BY MY NAME, SAITH THE LORD that doeth this.

[Matthew 8:5-12 KJV] 5 And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him, 6 And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. 7 And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. 8 The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my

servant shall be healed. 9 For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this [man], Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth [it].10 When Jesus heard [it], he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I HAVE NOT FOUND SO GREAT FAITH, NO, NOT IN ISRAEL. 11 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. 12 BUT THE CHILDREN OF THE KINGDOM SHALL BE CAST OUT INTO OUTER DARKNESS: THERE SHALL BE WEEPING AND GNASHING OF TEETH.

Actually, this passage in Matthew 8 says quite a bit:

First, the centurion was not from one of the tribes of "Israel" Yehoshua said, so he was a "Son of a Stranger" with great faith in Yehoshua! But to bring up another point, in Yehoshua's speaking about him, Yehoshua was referring to the Land He was in (Capernaum, which is up around the Galilee in Israel) as "Israel." This disputes the "Britain/America is the Kingdom of Israel" theory. The Kingdom of Israel has NOT changed to Ireland, then Scotland, and finally Britain or America and the Throne of David is not there, nor will it be! Yehoshua disputes it as well by saying that many strangers will be coming FROM THE EAST as well as the West to be welcomed into the Kingdom of Heaven with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. So, the gentile believers who are in Britain and America, THE WEST, are not ALL of the scattered, outcast House of Israel, although some, or even many, may be. Matthew 2:20-21 also confirms this in saying that the Angel of Yehovah who spoke to Joseph told him to take the baby Yehoshua from his stay in Egypt back to the Land of "Israel" where we know he did. Yehoshua grew up in Nazareth in the Land of Israel, not Great Britain!

The passage in Matthew 8 also quickens my understanding that we MUST continue to preach the True Gospel of Yehoshua to the Jewish people, "the Children of the Kingdom," so they can escape being cast out for not having faith in Yehoshua!!! Those who have been GIVEN ears to hear, will hear, Yehoshua said!

I believe the True Gospel of Yehoshua, according to all of the above scriptures, emphasizes that <u>REPENTANCE</u> ("teshuvah" – which means <u>turning back</u> to Yehovah's Ways – His Commandments, Statutes, and Judgments, including keeping the Sabbath and the Circumcision) <u>AND FAITH</u> in Yehoshua as the Messiah, the Son of God, are <u>BOTH NECESSARY</u> for ANYONE - House of Judah, House of Israel, or Gentile/Son of the Stranger - TO BE GATHERED AS HIS CHOSEN/ELECT REMNANT OF ISRAEL AT HIS RETURN AND <u>ENTER THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN WITH ABRAHAM, ISAAC, AND JACOB IN THE LAND OF ISRAEL</u>! The True Gospel message will include both Repentance and Faith! It's a two-pronged message that Yehoshua preached:

[MATTHEW 4:17 KJV] 17 FROM THAT TIME JESUS BEGAN TO PREACH, AND TO SAY, <u>REPENT</u>: FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND.

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He told His Apostles to preach <u>THIS SAME GOSPEL</u> of Repentance and Faith in Him <u>to the gentiles too.</u> There was not to be another gospel for the gentiles!

[Matthew 24:14 KJV] 14 AND <u>THIS GOSPEL</u> OF THE KINGDOM SHALL BE PREACHED IN ALL THE WORLD FOR A WITNESS <u>UNTO ALL NATIONS</u>; AND THEN SHALL THE END COME!!!

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