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THE SCOFIELD DECEPTION, CHRISTIAN ZIONISM,
AIPAC, AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY,
AND THE COVENANT WITNESS OF
YAHWEH TO MODERN ISRAEL

A Covenant Deep Dive — Theological / Historical / Geopolitical / Prophetic / Three-Religion

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HOW TO READ THIS DOCUMENT

Hebrew transliterations appear in *bold italic* with English meaning in parentheses at every occurrence. The Divine Names Yahweh (יהוה) and Elohim (אֱלֹהִים) are bold at every occurrence; "God" and "LORD" are never used in Tanakh citations. Scripture references and quotations are bold. Prophet names are bold. Strong's numbers are bold. All Tanakh books are cited by Hebrew name with English in parentheses. This document applies the Devarim 19:15 evidentiary standard throughout. Claims are separated by evidence tier: documented primary-source fact vs.

documented secondary inference vs. speculation. The Scofield section is the most detailed in this library — because the theological stakes are the highest.

TANAKH BOOKS CITED IN THIS DOCUMENT

TORAH	NEVI'IM	KETUVIM
Bereishit (Genesis)	Yeshayahu (Isaiah)	Tehillim (Psalms)
Shemot (Exodus)	Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah)	Mishlei (Proverbs)
Vayikra (Leviticus)	Yechezkel (Ezekiel)	Iyov (Job)
Bemidbar (Numbers)	Amos (אַמֹּס)	
Devarim (Deuteronomy)	Mikhah (Micah)	

PART ONE: THE MAN BEHIND THE BIBLE — THE FULL DOCUMENTED RECORD OF C.I. SCOFIELD

The character, conduct, and credibility of **Cyrus Ingerson Scofield** are not peripheral biographical details. They go to the heart of the question this document asks: Was the Scofield Reference Bible the product of a Spirit-led Bible scholar, or was it the product of a morally compromised man whose career trajectory was shaped by forces with a specific political agenda? **Yahweh's** own covenant standard — **Devarim 19:15** — requires two or three witnesses. For Scofield's life, those witnesses are court records, newspaper archives, family documents, and the documented testimony of those who knew him.

I. THE CRIMINAL RECORD — A TIMELINE OF DOCUMENTED OFFENSES

PERIOD	DOCUMENTED EVENT
1869–1873	Admitted to Kansas bar (1869). Appointed U.S. District Attorney for Kansas under President Grant (1873). Devises a railroad investment scam with political partner John J. Ingalls, luring prominent Republicans who invested thousands of dollars.
1873–1877	Resigns as U.S. Attorney under pressure of scandal. Flees Kansas to St. Louis, Missouri — possibly through Canada first, per some reports. Continues swindling people out of money in St. Louis.
1877–1878	Writes to his wife Leontine offering to invest \$1,300 of her mother's life savings through a man named 'Charles Best.' Sends back documents executed by a fictitious Charles Best — the entire investment is a forgery. The story makes Kansas newspapers. Mother-in-law loses everything.
Late 1878	Arrested in Wisconsin under alias 'Charles Ingerson' by request of the St. Louis Chief of Police, who travels personally to escort him back to Missouri. Charged with criminal forgery — forging the name of his own sister, Emeline E. Scofield, among other charges.
1879	Convicted of forgery. Sentenced to six months in St. Louis jail. It is during this imprisonment that Scofield claims his evangelical conversion.
1879 (post-release)	Released from jail. Immediately abandons his wife Leontine and their two daughters. Takes as his mistress a young woman from the St. Louis Flower Mission who had been visiting him in jail as part of a Congregational missionary outreach.
1880–1881	Post-conversion: Continues to be implicated in fraud. Creditors from Kansas pursue him for outstanding debts throughout his ministry career. He claims poverty and inability to pay — while simultaneously building a prominent ministry and accumulating royalty income from the Reference Bible.
1881	Leontine files for legal separation. Divorce proceedings begin in Atchison, Kansas.
1883	Divorce finalized December 8, 1883 — recorded in Atchison, Kansas. Leontine Scofield never remarries. She received not one penny of support from her ex-husband from the time of abandonment until her death in 1936. She is buried in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Atchison, Kansas.
1883 (same year)	Scofield is ordained as a Congregationalist minister. He later abandons his Flower Mission mistress and marries Helen van Ward — his second wife, who serves as his editing assistant on the Reference Bible.

1892 onward	Begins styling himself 'Dr. C. I. Scofield, D.D.' No academic institution — seminary or university — has any record of conferring this honorary Doctor of Divinity degree on him. The credential is fabricated.
1909	Oxford University Press publishes the Scofield Reference Bible. Oxford, not Scofield, owns the copyright. After Scofield's death, Oxford accelerated revisions to the text independently.

II. THE CONVERSION CLAIM — WHAT THE RECORD SHOWS

The official Scofield biography presents a clean narrative: convicted forger hits rock bottom in jail in 1879, hears the Word of **Elohim**, is dramatically converted, emerges a new man, and goes on to transform Christianity. This narrative has been accepted without scrutiny by millions. The **Devarim 19:15** witness standard requires us to examine it against the documented record.

What is confirmed: Scofield was indeed imprisoned for forgery in 1879. Female Congregational missionaries were visiting him in jail. He did emerge from prison and enter the Congregational ministry. These facts are not disputed.

What the record shows about his conduct after conversion:

1. He immediately abandoned his wife and two daughters upon release — conduct that contradicts any claim of covenant transformation.
2. He took as his mistress the very missionary woman who had been ministering to him in jail.
3. Within one year of his professed conversion, he defrauded his mother-in-law of her \$1,300 life savings — the fictitious 'Charles Best' mortgage scheme described above.
4. He continued claiming poverty to Kansas creditors throughout his ministry career while simultaneously generating royalty income.
5. He claimed a doctoral credential — Dr. C.I. Scofield, D.D. — that no institution ever conferred. Even the details of his conversion account were later found by researchers to contain fabricated particulars about time, place, and circumstances.
6. He provided zero financial support to his abandoned first wife and daughters across more than two decades of documented ministerial success.

The Atchison Kansas newspaper *Daily Capital* published a report on Scofield's conduct in 1881 that included a direct statement from Leontine: "**As to supporting herself and the children, he has done nothing. I will gladly give him the matrimonial liberty he desires.**" This is the documented testimony of his first wife — the woman who knew him — on the public record.

Covenant significance: **Yahweh's** own Torah establishes that covenant character is demonstrated through action, not profession. **Devarim 24:1–4** governs divorce. **Shemot 22:22** commands: "**You shall not afflict any widow or fatherless child.**" Scofield left two daughters fatherless in practice and a wife in destitution — while building one of the most profitable religious publishing enterprises of the 20th century. By **Yahweh's** own standard, this is not the biographical profile of a covenant witness. It is the profile of a covenant violator who dressed himself in covenant language.

III. THE FAKE DOCTORATE — DOCUMENTED CREDENTIAL FRAUD

From approximately 1892 onward, Scofield presented himself publicly as *Rev. C. I. Scofield, D.D.* — the D.D. standing for Doctor of Divinity, an honorary academic degree typically conferred by theological seminaries and universities in recognition of scholarly achievement. Researchers examining academic records have found **no extant documentation** from any institution — seminary, college, or university — confirming that such a degree was ever conferred on Cyrus Scofield.

This credential fraud operated at two levels. First, it was a personal deception that elevated Scofield's public stature and marketability as a Bible teacher. Second, and more significantly, it shaped how the Scofield Reference Bible was received: millions of Christians assumed they were reading notes by a credentialed theologian when they were reading notes by a self-styled Doctor whose only formal training was in law — and whose legal career ended in criminal conviction.

The man who had no formal theological training — and a fraudulent doctorate — produced the annotations that defined the theology of American evangelical Christianity for over a century.

IV. A PROFILE OF THE MAN — SUMMARY

CATEGORY	DOCUMENTED RECORD
Military service	Served with Confederate forces; some sources document him as a Confederate deserter — disputed but recorded in the literature.
Legal career	U.S. Attorney Kansas (1873) — resigned under scandal. Criminal conviction for forgery (1879). Six months in St. Louis jail.
Marriage No. 1	Leontine Carry Scofield — married, abandoned with two daughters upon release from jail. No financial support ever provided. Divorce finalized 1883.
Mistress	Woman from St. Louis Flower Mission who visited him in jail — taken as mistress upon release. Later abandoned.
Marriage No. 2	Helen van Ward — married after abandoning mistress. Served as editing assistant on the Reference Bible.
Credential fraud	Styled himself 'Dr. C.I. Scofield, D.D.' from 1892. No institution ever granted him this degree. No formal theological training.
Ongoing financial fraud	Defrauded mother-in-law of \$1,300 life savings (1880, post-conversion). Claimed poverty to creditors throughout prosperous ministry career.
Conversion claim	Claimed evangelical conversion in jail, 1879. Subsequent conduct — abandonment, fraud, credential fabrication — calls the depth of that conversion into serious question.
Theological training	None. Self-taught in Darby's dispensational system through James H. Brookes. No seminary degree of any kind — honorary or earned.
Oxford University Press	Did not own the copyright to his own Bible. Oxford University Press owned the Scofield Reference Bible and continued revising it after his death without his input.

PART TWO: THE NETWORK — HOW A CONVICTED FORGER REACHED OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

The most important question about the Scofield Reference Bible is not simply *what it teaches* — it is *how it got published*. The trajectory from convicted forger and self-styled Doctor with no theological training to Oxford University Press contract is not a normal publishing trajectory. It requires explanation. The documented network around Scofield provides that explanation — while also clarifying what is documented, what is reasonable inference, and what remains unproven speculation.

I. JOHN NELSON DARBY — THE SOURCE OF THE THEOLOGY

Dispensationalism did not originate with Scofield. Its foundational architecture was constructed by John Nelson Darby (1800–1882), a British lawyer turned Anglican clergyman who founded the Plymouth Brethren movement. Darby's innovations — the Israel/Church distinction, the pre-tribulation rapture, the seven dispensations — were imported into American evangelical circles through the Niagara Bible Conference circuit beginning in the 1870s.

Scofield encountered Darby's system through James H. Brookes — Presbyterian minister of Walnut Street Presbyterian Church in St. Louis, known as "The Father of American Dispensationalism." It was Brookes who schooled Scofield in the Darby framework while Scofield was a new convert. Scofield did not invent dispensationalism. He packaged, annotated, and mass-distributed a pre-existing theological system — embedded directly into the biblical text itself, where it would be invisible to most readers as interpretation.

II. THE LOTOS CLUB AND SAMUEL UNTERMAYER — THE DOCUMENTED NETWORK

In 1900–1901, Cyrus Scofield was admitted to the Lotos Club of New York — an exclusive private social organization founded in 1870, historically known for bringing together writers, journalists, politicians, artists, and financial elites. The Lotos Club was not a religious organization. It was a nexus of cultural and political power.

Joseph M. Canfield, author of *The Incredible Scofield and His Book* (1988), examined this admission carefully and concluded: **"The admission of Scofield to the Lotos Club, which could not have been sought by Scofield, strengthens the suspicion that has cropped up before, that someone was directing the career of C. I. Scofield."** Canfield's point is critical: a convicted forger with no theological credentials and no social standing in New York elite circles does not get admitted to the Lotos Club through his own initiative. Someone sponsored him.

The documented Lotos Club member connected to Scofield is **Samuel Untermeyer** — a Wall Street lawyer who had joined the Lotos Club in 1894, six years before Scofield's admission. Untermeyer was one of the wealthiest and most politically connected men in America. He was:

7. Head of the American Jewish Committee
8. A committed Zionist activist who played a major role in funding Zionist projects in Palestine

9. Later (1933) the initiator of the worldwide Jewish economic boycott of Nazi Germany — documented in his public announcement broadcast on NBC radio, August 6, 1933
10. Connected to British Zionist networks including those associated with the Balfour Declaration
11. A man with documented ties to banking elites who were instrumental in the Zionist project of establishing a Jewish state in Palestine

Canfield's assessment: Untermeyer's theology was "**most helpful in getting Fundamentalist Christians to back the international interest in one of Untermeyer's pet projects — the Zionist Movement.**"

Professor David W. Lutz, in his chapter *Unjust War Theory: Christian Zionism and the Road to Jerusalem* (published in *Neo-Conned Again*, Light in the Darkness Publications, 2005), states directly: "**Untermeyer used Scofield, a Kansas City lawyer with no formal training in theology, to inject Zionist ideas into American Protestantism. Untermeyer and other wealthy and influential Zionists whom he introduced to Scofield promoted and funded the latter's career, including travel in Europe.**"

III. THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS CONNECTION — FOLLOWING THE THREAD TO ENGLAND

The most remarkable aspect of the Scofield Reference Bible publication story is the Oxford University Press contract itself. Oxford University Press — the world's most prestigious academic publisher, founded in 1478, affiliated with one of the world's great universities — agreed to publish a study Bible by a man with:

12. No formal theological education
13. A fabricated doctoral credential
14. A criminal conviction for forgery
15. No prior publishing track record with a major press
16. No established academic or theological reputation in mainstream Christian scholarship

The path to Oxford ran through Europe. During his Lotos Club period, Scofield made multiple European research trips — financed, according to Professor Lutz's documented analysis, by Untermeyer and the Zionist network around him. On one of these European trips, Scofield met **Henry Frowde**, the Oxford University Press publisher. Frowde "expressed immediate interest" in Scofield's project. Upon returning to America, Scofield signed a contract with Oxford. The Bible was published in 1909.

One critical legal fact noted by researchers: **Oxford University Press, not Scofield, owned the copyright to the Scofield Reference Bible.** After Scofield's death in 1921, Oxford continued revising and expanding the notes independently — including the 1967 New Scofield Reference Bible, released the same year Israel captured East Jerusalem, Hebron, Bethlehem, Jericho, and Nablus, and the 1984 edition which added the explosive note: "**For a nation to commit the sin of anti-Semitism brings inevitable judgment.**" These post-Scofield additions intensified the Zionist theological framework — added by Oxford, not by the original author.

IV. THE BEREISHIT (GENESIS) 12:3 ANNOTATION — THE THEOLOGICAL LINCHPIN

The single most consequential annotation in the Scofield Reference Bible — the one that more than any other created the theology of **Christian Zionism in America** — is Scofield's note on **Bereishit (Genesis) 12:3**. Understanding this annotation is essential to understanding what the Scofield system accomplished.

The Tanakh text (Bereishit 12:3): "And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee; and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed."

Scofield's annotation on this verse states: **"I will bless them that bless thee.'** In fulfillment closely related to the next clause, **'And curse him that curseth thee.'** Wonderfully fulfilled in the history of the dispersion. It has invariably fared ill with the people who have persecuted the Jew — well with those who have protected him. The future will still more remarkably prove this principle."

The 1984 Oxford revision amplified this further by adding the note: **"For a nation to commit the sin of anti-Semitism brings inevitable judgment."**

What Scofield did with Bereishit 12:3: The original covenant promise in **Bereishit 12:3** is addressed to **Avraham** personally — it is part of **Yahweh's** covenant call to a specific man to leave his country and go to the land **Yahweh** would show him. The blessing and curse language concerns **Yahweh's** relationship with **Avraham** and those who honor or oppose **Yahweh's** purposes through him. Stephen Sizer, author of *Christian Zionism: Road-Map to Armageddon?*, correctly notes: "The promise, when referring to Abraham's descendants, speaks of God blessing them, not of entire nations 'blessing' the Hebrew nation, still less the contemporary and secular State of Israel."

Scofield transformed a covenant promise to a patriarch into a geopolitical mandate requiring entire nations to politically support the modern state of Israel — on pain of divine curse. This is not exegesis. It is eisegesis in service of a political agenda. And it worked: as one commentator wrote, "an entire generation of American Christians — tens of millions — were quietly reprogrammed by Scofield's interpretations. A fringe theology became a national identity. Scripture became a blueprint for empire. And criticism of Israel became blasphemy."

V. THE EVIDENCE TIERS — SEPARATING DOCUMENTED FACT FROM REASONABLE INFERENCE FROM SPECULATION

TIER	CLAIM	ASSESSMENT
TIER 1 — PRIMARY DOCUMENTED FACT	Scofield convicted of forgery 1879	Court records. Documented by multiple independent sources including newspapers and biographers.
TIER 1 — PRIMARY	Scofield abandoned wife and daughters	Court records (divorce filing Atchison KS 1881/1883). Newspaper accounts. Wife's own statements on record.

DOCUMENTED FACT		
TIER 1 — PRIMARY DOCUMENTED FACT	Scofield defrauded mother-in-law	Newspaper accounts, Kansas records. Post-conversion conduct.
TIER 1 — PRIMARY DOCUMENTED FACT	Scofield claimed D.D. degree he did not earn	No academic record found at any institution. Documented by Mangum & Sweetnam, Wikipedia, Theopedia, and others.
TIER 1 — PRIMARY DOCUMENTED FACT	Scofield was member of Lotos Club	Club records. Documented by Canfield and subsequent researchers.
TIER 1 — PRIMARY DOCUMENTED FACT	Samuel Untermeyer was Lotos Club member and committed Zionist	Untermeyer's own public record. 1933 NBC boycott announcement. Documented.
TIER 1 — PRIMARY DOCUMENTED FACT	Scofield's European travel preceded Oxford contract	Documented in multiple biographies.
TIER 1 — PRIMARY DOCUMENTED FACT	Oxford University Press owned the copyright — not Scofield	Publishing records. Documented by researchers.
TIER 2 — DOCUMENTED SECONDARY INFERENCE	Untermeyer directed or sponsored Scofield's Lotos Club admission	Canfield's documented inference from Lotos Club records. Reasonable — Scofield had no social pathway to this club independently. Not proven by primary document.
TIER 2 — DOCUMENTED SECONDARY INFERENCE	Untermeyer and Zionist network funded Scofield's European travel	Prof. David Lutz's documented claim, sourced to Canfield research. Asserted as documented, not as speculation. No primary financial ledger produced.

TIER 2 — DOCUMENTED SECONDARY INFERENCE	Scofield's theology was functionally in service of the Zionist project	The alignment is exact and the timing is precise. The inference is strong. Proof of intentional design vs. convergence is not established by primary document.
TIER 3 — UNVERIFIED CLAIM	Rothschild family directly funded the Scofield Reference Bible	No primary document. Traceable to 1988 Canfield speculation amplified by subsequent writers. Fails Devarim 19:15 standard.
TIER 3 — UNVERIFIED CLAIM	Scofield was a deliberate paid agent of a coordinated conspiracy	The network connections are documented. The formal agency relationship with a directing conspiracy is not documented. The functional result — Christian Zionism — is real regardless.

The Covenant Verdict on the Scofield Network Question: Whether Scofield was a paid, directed agent of a Zionist conspiracy (unproven) or a morally compromised man whose career was advanced by Zionist-connected elites whose political interests his theology served (documented and reasonable) — the *functional outcome* is identical. Tens of millions of American Christians were given a Bible that told them supporting the modern state of Israel was a matter of eternal covenant obligation — by a convicted forger with a fraudulent doctorate whose career was advanced through a New York elite club dominated by Zionist financiers. **The fruit of this tree is documented. The tree itself should have been examined long ago.**

PART THREE: DISPENSATIONALISM'S KEY DOCTRINES AND THEIR TANAKH STATUS

DISPENSATIONAL DOCTRINE	SCOFIELD'S CLAIM	TANAKH VERDICT
Israel and the Church are permanently separate entities with different destinies	Two distinct 'peoples of God' — ethnic Israel (OT) and spiritual Church (NT) — governed by different covenants and promises	The Tanakh knows no such division. Yahweh's covenant with Yisra'el is grounded in Torah obedience — not ethnicity. The Ger (stranger/sojourner) is included in the covenant community by the same standard (Bemidbar 15:15–16). No Tanakh basis exists for a permanent Israel/Church dualism.
Pre-Tribulation Rapture — the Church is removed before a seven-year Tribulation	Christ returns secretly to 'rapture' the Church before a final seven-year period of tribulation centered on Israel and Jerusalem	The word 'rapture' does not appear in the Tanakh. The concept of a secret removal of a group of believers before Yahweh's judgment has no Tanakh foundation. It was invented by John Nelson Darby in the 1830s and has no antecedent in either the Written Torah or the Nevi'im.
Bereishit (Genesis) 12:3 requires nations to bless the modern state of Israel	Scofield's note: 'It has invariably fared ill with the people who have persecuted the Jew.' The 1984 Oxford addition: 'For a nation to commit the sin of anti-Semitism brings inevitable judgment.'	Bereishit 12:3 is Yahweh's covenant word to Avraham personally — not a geopolitical mandate to modern nations regarding a 20th-century political state. The original Hebrew context concerns Yahweh's purposes through Avraham's covenant line — not military or financial support for the state of Israel.
The 'Seven Dispensations' framework divides all of history into seven distinct eras	History is divided into seven periods in which Elohim governs humanity by different rules: Innocence, Conscience, Human Government, Promise, Law, Grace, Kingdom	The Tanakh presents one covenant framework — Torah — applied consistently from Sinai forward. While there are seasons and stages in Yahweh's covenant dealings, the Torah itself (Devarim 29:29) presents Yahweh's revealed words as a unified covenant — not as a series of changing administrative frameworks.
Criticism of Israel equals anti-Semitism and brings divine curse	Based on Scofield's Bereishit 12:3 annotation and the 1984 Oxford addition	Every prophet in the Tanakh criticized Yisra'el's covenant violations by Yahweh's command. Amos, Mikhah, Yirmeyahu, Yechezkel, and Yeshayahu all delivered devastating indictments of Israel's leadership and people. If Scofield's reading were correct,

		Yahweh's own prophets were antisemitic. This is a reductio ad absurdum that refutes itself.
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PART FOUR: AIPAC AND THE ISRAEL LOBBY — DOCUMENTED POLITICAL POWER

I. ORIGINS — FROM FOREIGN AGENT TO DOMESTIC LOBBY

The American Israel Public Affairs Committee (**AIPAC**) was founded in 1951 as the American Zionist Committee for Public Affairs by Isaiah L. Kenen, who was at the time a registered foreign agent of the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In November 1962, the U.S. Department of Justice ordered the predecessor organization — the American Zionist Council — to register as an Israeli foreign agent under the 1938 Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA). AIPAC was reorganized as a nominally domestic lobbying entity partly to avoid this registration requirement — a legal restructuring that scholars and legal analysts have continued to challenge for six decades.

II. DOCUMENTED POLITICAL REACH

CATEGORY	DOCUMENTED FACT
Founding	1951 as AZCPA; founded by Isaiah L. Kenen, registered foreign agent of Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Foreign agent order	November 1962: DOJ orders predecessor American Zionist Council to register as Israeli foreign agent under FARA
Membership	Over 100,000 members across all 50 states; extensive network of affiliated PACs
2024 electoral spending	Spent money in over 80% of all congressional electoral races (documented by The Intercept)
Bowman campaign 2024	Spent \$14.5 million to defeat Congressman Jamaal Bowman (NY-16) for criticizing Israeli military operations in Gaza — the most money ever spent to defeat a single House member
Congressional ideological lock	U.S. House voted 311-14 to declare 'anti-Zionism' is 'antisemitism' — a level of bipartisan consensus so extreme it is nearly unprecedented on any issue
Academic assessment	Prof. Walter Hixson (historian): 'There is nothing like AIPAC in American politics for any other country. It is not only the most powerful lobby representing a foreign country — it is one of the most powerful lobbies, period.'
Party capture	Prof. Doug Rossinow (historian of American Zionism): Pro-Israel donors formed 'almost the only affluent group committed to the Democratic Party' since the 1980s — making Zionist perspective 'party orthodoxy' in both parties
Mearsheimer-Walt	The Israel Lobby and U.S. Foreign Policy (2007) — by John Mearsheimer (U. Chicago) and Stephen Walt (Harvard Kennedy School) — NYT bestseller, 24 language translations — documented AIPAC's distorting effect on American Middle East policy through conventional political science analysis, without conspiracy theory
Annual aid secured	Israel receives approximately \$3.8 billion per year in U.S. military assistance under the 2016 MOU — the largest annual military aid package to any nation in the world

III. WHAT AMERICA GIVES — WHAT AMERICA GETS

WHAT THE U.S. PROVIDES ISRAEL	WHAT THE U.S. RECEIVES IN RETURN
\$3.8 billion per year baseline military assistance (2016 MOU — expires 2026)	No mutual defense treaty obligating Israel to U.S. defense
\$3.3 billion in direct security assistance + \$500 million missile defense (Iron Dome, Arrow) — annual	No U.S. basing rights in Israel
\$8.7 billion emergency supplemental (April 2024 supplemental appropriations act) — authorized by Congress for Gaza war	No Israeli troops deployed in U.S. military missions abroad
\$21.7 billion in total military aid delivered since October 7, 2023 through September 2025 — documented by Quincy Institute / Costs of War Project (Brown University)	90,000 tons of arms and equipment delivered on 800 transport planes and 140 ships (Israeli Defense Ministry, May 2025) — while documented mass civilian casualties accumulated in Gaza
TRUMP ADMINISTRATION (January 20, 2025 onward):	
January 2025: Immediately upon taking office, approved nearly \$12 billion in major Foreign Military Sales (FMS) to Israel (Secretary Rubio, State Dept. press statement, March 1, 2025)	Rescinded Biden-era National Security Memorandum 20 (February 2025) — eliminating the requirement to report potential international law violations involving U.S.-supplied weapons used by Israel
January 2025: \$8 billion arms sale notified to Congress — 2,000-lb bomb guidance kits, 500-lb bombs, AMRAAM and Hellfire missiles, 155mm artillery shells (State Dept. notification)	Emergency declaration used to bypass standard congressional review — multiple times in 2025
January 2025: Released Biden administration hold on 1,800 MK-84 2,000-pound bombs — weapons previously paused due to humanitarian concerns about their use in densely populated civilian areas	The Quincy Institute documents: Trump administration 'accelerated the delivery of military aid to Israel, including lifting a suspension on the delivery of Mark 84 and BLU-109 2,000-pound bombs, which the Israeli government has used extensively to destroy apartment buildings, hospitals, water infrastructure, and other civilian targets'
March 1, 2025: Secretary Rubio used emergency authority to expedite \$4 billion in military assistance — State Dept. press statement: 'Israel has no greater ally in the White House than President Trump'	March 2025: \$3 billion in additional bombs, demolition kits, and weaponry approved on emergency basis — bypassing standard congressional committee review period (Reuters)
March 2025: \$675 million package of 1,000-lb bombs and guidance kits (delivery 2028)	March 2025: \$295 million in Caterpillar D9 bulldozers — the same equipment documented in destruction of Palestinian residential areas in Gaza and West Bank

<p>September 2025: \$6 billion weapons package — Apache helicopters, combat vehicles, additional munitions (Newsweek / State Dept.)</p>	<p>Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA) — close Trump ally — became first Republican to accuse Israel of committing genocide. Her amendment to end arms sales received only 6 House votes.</p>
<p>January 2026: \$6.67 billion in new arms sales approved (Times of Israel / State Dept. congressional notification)</p>	<p>FY 2026 defense budget signed by Trump: \$4 billion+ for Israel security support. Budget also bars U.S. funding to UNRWA (UN Palestinian refugee agency), ICC, ICJ, and UN Human Rights Council Commission focused on Israel.</p>
<p>CUMULATIVE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION (Jan 2025 – June 2026): Minimum \$25–30+ billion in approved, committed, and delivered military assistance — combining FMS sales, emergency deliveries, annual MOU baseline, and FY2026 appropriations. New 10-year MOU under negotiation.</p>	<p>Increased global anti-American sentiment in Muslim-majority nations. Documented use of U.S. weapons in operations producing mass civilian casualties. Proprietary technologies developed with U.S. funding sold to third parties. Strategic credibility damage across the Muslim world and Global South.</p>
<p>GRAND TOTAL SINCE OCTOBER 7, 2023 (documented minimum, through June 2026): Approximately \$30+ billion delivered or committed — in addition to the \$260+ billion in total assistance since Israel's founding in 1948.</p>	<p>'The Israeli Defense Forces could not have done the damage they have done in Gaza or escalated their military activities throughout the region without U.S. support.' — Quincy Institute for Responsible Statecraft, October 2025</p>

PART FIVE: AMERICAN FUNDING OF THE KILLING OF PALESTINIANS AND LEBANESE

The connection between Parts One through Four of this document and this section is direct. **The Scofield Reference Bible created a theological imperative among tens of millions of American evangelical Christians to support the modern state of Israel unconditionally.** AIPAC converted that theological base into political infrastructure that captured both major American political parties. The result is an American foreign policy that has sustained Israeli military operations — including documented mass civilian casualties — with weapons, money, diplomatic cover, and UN Security Council vetoes. This is not a conspiracy theory. It is the documented chain of cause and effect across more than a century.

CATEGORY	DOCUMENTED RECORD (2023–2026)
Weapons transfers	The U.S. provided 2,000-lb bombs, 155mm artillery shells, small arms, and naval support during Israeli operations in densely populated civilian areas of Gaza. Emergency weapons packages approved bypassing congressional review.
UN veto	U.S. vetoed multiple UN Security Council ceasefire resolutions — shielding Israeli military operations from international accountability mechanisms the U.S. ostensibly champions for other nations
Gaza civilian death toll	UN, WHO, and international humanitarian organizations documented over 45,000 confirmed deaths in Gaza, with total casualty estimates significantly higher. Documented majority civilian, with a high proportion of women and children.
Famine	UN Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) declared famine conditions in parts of Gaza. U.S. government officials publicly disputed the finding — contradicting the assessment of multiple independent humanitarian organizations.
Lebanon	Israeli military operations in Lebanon (2024) produced thousands of civilian deaths and displacement of over 1 million Lebanese civilians — with U.S. diplomatic cover continuing throughout.
West Bank	Escalating Israeli settler violence in the West Bank — documented by Israeli human rights organization B'Tselem, UN monitors, and international journalists — continued with U.S. aid flowing uninterrupted.

PART SIX: THE COVENANT WITNESS OF YAHWEH TO MODERN ISRAEL

This is the covenant center of this document. Everything in Parts One through Five leads here. Miqdash Bethel Covenant Institution speaks not as a political entity but as a **covenant witness** — bearing testimony from the Written Tanakh to the nation that claims to be the fulfillment of **Yahweh's** covenant promises. We apply **Yahweh's** own standard. We cite **Yahweh's** own words. We neither add to them nor diminish them.

I. THE COVENANT CONDITIONALITY OF THE LAND — VAYIKRA (LEVITICUS) 18:24–28

Vayikra 18:24–28: "Do not defile yourselves with any of these things, for by all these the nations I am casting out before you defiled themselves, and the land became defiled, so that I punished its iniquity, and the land vomited out its inhabitants. But you shall keep My statutes and My rules and do none of these abominations... lest the land vomit you out when you make it unclean, as it vomited out the nation that was before you." — Yahweh

The Land is not a permanent political possession. It is a covenant trust — held conditionally on obedience to Yahweh's Torah. The nations before Yisra'el were removed for their abominations. Yisra'el received the same warning: violation of the covenant forfeits the right to the Land. No political declaration, UN resolution, or military conquest changes this covenant framework. **Yahweh** stated it. The prophets repeated it. It stands.

II. THE COMMAND REGARDING THE STRANGER — SIX COVENANT WITNESSES

TANAKH REFERENCE	YAHWEH'S COVENANT WORD
Shemot (Exodus) 22:21	<i>"You shall not wrong a stranger or oppress him, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt." — Yahweh</i>
Shemot (Exodus) 23:9	<i>"You shall not oppress a stranger. You know the heart of a stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt." — Yahweh</i>
Vayikra (Leviticus) 19:33–34	<i>"When a stranger sojourns with you in your land, you shall not do him wrong. You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am Yahweh your Elohim."</i>
Bemidbar (Numbers) 15:15–16	<i>"For the assembly, there shall be one statute for you and for the stranger who sojourns with you, a statute forever throughout your generations. You and the sojourner shall be alike before Yahweh. One law and one rule shall be for you and for the stranger who sojourns with you."</i>
Devarim (Deuteronomy) 10:18–19	<i>"He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt." — Yahweh</i>

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 27:19	<i>"Cursed be anyone who perverts the justice due to the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow." — And all the people shall say, Amen.</i>
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III. THE PROHIBITION ON INNOCENT BLOOD — THREE COVENANT WITNESSES

Bemidbar (Numbers) 35:33–34: "You shall not pollute the land in which you live, for blood pollutes the land, and no atonement can be made for the land for the blood that is shed in it, except by the blood of the one who shed it. You shall not defile the land in which you live, in the midst of which I dwell, for I, Yahweh, dwell in the midst of the people of Yisra'el."

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 1:15–17: "When you spread out your hands, I will hide My eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before My eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause." — Yahweh

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 22:3: "Thus says Yahweh: Do justice and righteousness, and deliver from the hand of the oppressor him who has been robbed. And do no wrong or violence to the resident alien, the fatherless, and the widow, nor shed innocent blood in this place."

IV. THE PROPHETS' COVENANT INDICTMENTS — THE PATTERN ALREADY ESTABLISHED

PROPHET	COVENANT INDICTMENT AND CONTEXT
Amos (24–5:21 (עָמוֹס))	"I hate, I despise your feasts... But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream." — Spoken to the northern kingdom of Israel while they maintained religious observance but practiced economic and judicial oppression of the poor.
Mikhah (Micah) 3:9–12	"Hear this, you heads of the house of Jacob and rulers of the house of Israel, who detest justice and make crooked all that is straight, who build Zion with blood and Jerusalem with iniquity... Therefore because of you, Zion shall be plowed as a field; Jerusalem shall become a heap of ruins." — Spoken to the political and religious leadership of Jerusalem.
Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 7:3–7	"Amend your ways and your deeds, and I will let you dwell in this place... if you do not oppress the sojourner, the fatherless, or the widow, or shed innocent blood in this place... then I will let you dwell in this place, in the land that I gave of old to your fathers forever." — The conditional is explicit: covenant conduct is the condition of covenant possession of the Land.
Yechezkel (Ezekiel) 22:6–7, 29	"Behold, the princes of Israel in you, every one according to his power, have been bent on shedding blood... The people of the land have practiced extortion and committed robbery. They have oppressed the poor and needy, and have

	extorted from the sojourner without justice." — Spoken by Yahweh, indicting the leadership and people of Jerusalem before the Babylonian exile.
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V. DOCUMENTED COVENANT VIOLATIONS OF MODERN ISRAEL BY YAHWEH'S OWN STANDARD

COVENANT CATEGORY	DOCUMENTED CONDUCT — TANAKH STANDARD APPLIED
Shedding of innocent blood	Tens of thousands of documented civilian deaths in Gaza (2023–present). Yahweh: "blood pollutes the land" (Bemidbar 35:33). No atonement is possible through political justification. Covenant verdict: VIOLATION.
Oppression of the stranger / sojourner	Palestinian people in Gaza, West Bank, and within Israel occupy positions analogous to the Ger. Documented: siege conditions constituting collective punishment, movement restrictions, discriminatory legal structures. Yahweh: "You shall not oppress the stranger" (Shemot 23:9). Covenant verdict: VIOLATION.
Perverting justice for the fatherless and widow	Documented destruction of hospitals, schools, UN refugee facilities, and civilian infrastructure — creating masses of orphaned children and widowed women without recourse. Devarim 27:19: "Cursed be anyone who perverts the justice due to the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow." Covenant verdict: VIOLATION.
Building Zion with blood	Mikhah 3:10 is precise: "who build Zion with blood and Jerusalem with iniquity." The modern settlement enterprise in the West Bank — documented by Israeli human rights organization B'Tselem as involving displacement of Palestinian families, destruction of olive groves, and settler violence — corresponds directly to this prophetic indictment. Covenant verdict: VIOLATION.
Claiming Yahweh's name while practicing injustice	Yeshayahu 1:15: "your hands are full of blood." Formal religious observance combined with documented mass civilian killing is precisely the situation Yahweh addressed through Yeshayahu. The prophets did not exempt the covenant nation from this accounting. Covenant verdict: DOCUMENTED PATTERN.
Siege warfare producing starvation	Bemidbar 35:33: "no atonement can be made for the land for the blood that is shed in it." A documented famine siege resulting in mass civilian starvation constitutes the shedding of innocent blood by a different mechanism but the same covenant category. Covenant verdict: VIOLATION.

PART SEVEN: SUMMARY VERDICT AND COVENANT WITNESS STATEMENT

I. RESEARCH SUMMARY — EVIDENCE VERDICTS

CLAIM	EVIDENCE VERDICT
Scofield convicted of forgery (1879)	DOCUMENTED — court records, newspaper accounts, multiple biographers
Scofield abandoned wife and daughters; provided zero support	DOCUMENTED — court records, Kansas newspapers, wife's own statements
Scofield defrauded his mother-in-law of her life savings, post-conversion	DOCUMENTED — newspaper accounts and biographers
Scofield claimed D.D. degree no institution ever conferred	DOCUMENTED — no academic record at any institution
Scofield had no formal theological training	DOCUMENTED — confirmed by all biographers including sympathetic ones
Scofield was a member of the Lotos Club with Samuel Untermeyer	DOCUMENTED — club records, Canfield biography
Untermeyer was a committed Zionist with Rothschild network ties	DOCUMENTED — Untermeyer's own public record
Canfield concluded 'someone was directing Scofield's career'	DOCUMENTED SECONDARY INFERENCE — Canfield's own words from biography
Lutz: Untermeyer 'used' Scofield to inject Zionist ideas into Protestantism	DOCUMENTED SECONDARY INFERENCE — published academic claim
Scofield's European travel was funded by Zionist network	DOCUMENTED SECONDARY INFERENCE — Lutz, sourcing Canfield; no primary financial document
Oxford University Press owned the copyright — not Scofield	DOCUMENTED — publishing records
Oxford added increasingly pro-Zionist notes after Scofield's death	DOCUMENTED — 1967 and 1984 editions show additions not in 1909 original
Scofield Bible functionally created Christian Zionism in America	DOCUMENTED — acknowledged across the political and scholarly spectrum
Rothschild family directly commissioned or funded Scofield	UNVERIFIED — traceable to amplification of speculation; no primary document
AIPAC is among the most powerful lobbies in America	DOCUMENTED — Mearsheimer/Walt, Hixson, Rossinow, and AIPAC's own filings
AIPAC predecessor ordered to register as foreign agent (1962)	DOCUMENTED — DOJ order on American Zionist Council

U.S. funded Israeli military operations with documented mass civilian casualties	DOCUMENTED — State Dept., Congressional records, UN, WHO, humanitarian organizations
Modern Israel violates Yahweh's covenant standard on the stranger	COVENANT VERDICT: DOCUMENTED — six Tanakh references applied to documented conduct
Modern Israel violates Yahweh's covenant standard on innocent blood	COVENANT VERDICT: DOCUMENTED — three Tanakh references applied to documented conduct
Dispensationalism has Tanakh foundation	COVENANT VERDICT: NO — no Tanakh basis for rapture, Israel/Church split, or 7-dispensation framework

II. THREE-RELIGION AUDIT

TRADITION	COVENANT APPLICATION
Judaism	The Torah commands justice for the stranger and prohibits the shedding of innocent blood without exception for political or military justification. The prophets applied these standards to the covenant nation itself — not only to its enemies. The covenant is conditional. Ethnic identity is not exempt from Yahweh's Torah. Every prophet in the Tanakh who is honored in Jewish tradition delivered precisely this message to Yisra'el's leadership.
Christianity	<u>The dispensational theology of the Scofield Reference Bible has no foundation in the Written Tanakh.</u> It was constructed by John Nelson Darby in the 1830s, codified by a convicted forger with a fraudulent doctorate in 1909, published by a press whose Oxford network had Zionist connections, and distributed to tens of millions who were never told who C.I. Scofield actually was. Christians are called to covenant faithfulness — which means bearing witness to Yahweh's justice, not providing unconditional political cover for a foreign government's military operations based on a theological system built on fraud.
Islam	The Quran affirms the Tawrat (Torah) of Musa as revelation. The covenant standard of justice for the oppressed — documented throughout the Tanakh — is consistent with the Quranic commands of adl (justice) and the prohibition on zulm (oppression). This witness is grounded in the shared Abrahamic covenant foundation. The Islamic tradition's concern for the Palestinian people is consistent with Yahweh's own covenant commands — whether those commands are mediated through Torah, Quran, or both.

COVENANT WITNESS STATEMENT

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To the American nation: You have been given a falsified Bible by a convicted forger with a fraudulent doctorate, whose career was advanced by Zionist-connected elites, and whose annotations redefined a covenant promise to Avraham as a blank geopolitical mandate requiring

national support for every action of the modern state of Israel. You are now funding — with the blood and treasure of your people — military operations that have produced documented mass civilian death, famine, and the destruction of civilian infrastructure in Gaza and Lebanon. **Yahweh** holds the nations accountable. The theological framework that made this politically sustainable was built on a lie, by a liar, for a purpose. You deserve to know this.

To the modern state of Israel: Yahweh your **Elohim** spoke through **Yirmeyahu**: "**Do justice and righteousness, and deliver from the hand of the oppressor him who has been robbed. And do no wrong or violence to the resident alien, the fatherless, and the widow, nor shed innocent blood in this place**" (**Yirmeyahu 22:3**). Through **Mikhah**: "**who build Zion with blood and Jerusalem with iniquity**" (**Mikhah 3:10**). Through **Amos**: "**Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream**" (**Amos 5:24**). Through **Vayikra**: "**the land vomited out its inhabitants**" when they defiled it with abomination (**Vayikra 18:28**). The Land belongs to **Yahweh**. The covenant is conditional. The prophets have spoken. This institution adds its witness to theirs.

To the Christian Church: Return to the Written Tanakh. The dispensational system you were handed was assembled from John Nelson Darby's innovations by a man who was a convicted forger, an abandoner of his family, a defrauder of his own mother-in-law, and a fabricator of academic credentials — who was admitted to an elite New York club by sponsorship of a Wall Street Zionist lawyer, funded on European research trips by Zionist networks, and published by an Oxford press that retained ownership of the work and continued editing it after his death. **Bereishit 12:3** is **Yahweh's** covenant word to **Avraham** — not a divine mandate to fund the military operations of a 20th-century political state. Blessing **Yahweh's** covenant people means calling them to covenant faithfulness — which is exactly what every prophet in the **Tanakh** did. That is the model. Silence in the face of documented injustice is not blessing — it is complicity.

To all people of faith: Yahweh is not the property of any political system. His covenant is not the instrument of any nation-state. His word stands above every government, every lobby, every theological system invented by men. "Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream" (Amos 5:24). This institution stands as witness. The record is before you. The covenant is clear.

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