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## Why The World Wants To Get Rid Of The Jews

**H**istory, especially biblical history, is ripe with frequent and consistent themes. Here's a simple and general overview:

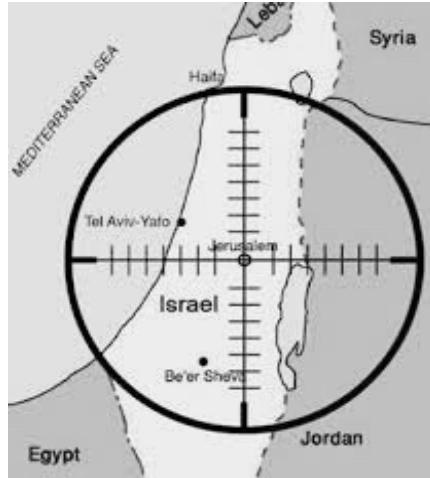
**Economic themes in the bible.** Famine and flood interrupt the economies of the world. Supply and demand of food, water, and natural resources are the focal points of everyday human existence. The more power one has the more they can control those most important resources. Kings control. Israel is in the middle of it all.

**Historical themes in the bible.** Many nations attempted to control the area in and around the land we know today as Israel. People of differing religions and ethnicities. It's an important area geographically. A crossroad between the east and the west. A major trade route. And the place where most biblical/historical events occurred. To control the people and land surrounding Israel has benefits and rewards. Of course there's religious significance.

**Theological/doctrinal themes in the bible** Humanity has fallen from grace and is in disobedience to God. Humanity is separate from God because of sin. We need a Savior. God loves his creation. Extends his grace. His mercy. His provision. The sacrificial system. Vicarious atonement...something had to die for sin. We deserve to.

God promises a future Messiah who will redeem, suffer for our sins, and restore individuals, by faith, Jew and Gentile, back into relationship with God. Messiah is revealed in Jesus.

**Geopolitical themes in the bible.** God makes a covenant with the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Israel and the nation of the Jews are chosen,



not because they were the most numerous, greatest, or strongest, but because God chose to choose (Deuteronomy 7). The lineage of Messiah is promised through Isaac and his descendants (Genesis 12).

**God promises that they (the descendants of Israel) will always exist as a nation (Jeremiah 31). Satan doesn't like that.** The conflict between the nations. For thousands of years. Chosen Israel. The nations rage. The conflict continues.

**We're living out biblical themes today, just outside of biblical times. We have biblical history and biblical prophecy.** We're now. Between then...the past, and then...the future.

Things haven't changed very much. We just happen to be a few thousand years removed from the beginning of this conflict. The world at odds against God. Though deep in rebellion against God themselves, the Jewish people, Israel, his first covenant people, my people, are promised to live on and to be used for the glory of God. **Israel and specifical-**

**ly, Jerusalem, are at the epicenter of the past, the present, and the future.**

The one common denominator, economically, historically, theologically, and geopolitically, throughout the ages, continues to be, a consistent theme... "The Jews Are The Problem."

If you're keeping up with the news maybe you've seen the recent headlines...All major news agencies are reporting. "Congress Votes to Condemn Antisemitism." The Jews had been accused, by a congresswoman, of not being able to be supportive of the United States and Israel at the same time. Really?

**Antisemitism and the marginalization of Israel by nations around the world is increasing.** It's never really gone away. Throughout history anti-Jewish sentiment has ebbed and flowed between acceptance, tolerance, and outright targeting for annihilation.

However the underlying theme, throughout history, which comes back around over and over again. **Israel is the problem.**

Those accursed Jews. That's what the world says.

But. It's. Not. New.

Rewind.

Three thousand five hundred years ago Pharaoh thought the same thing, then it was Haman (read the book of Esther), Nebuchadnezzar, the Babylonians (read Daniel), the Philistines, Canaanites, Ammonites, Jebusites, Edomites, Assyrians (that's Hanukkah 165 AD), the Romans (Herod, Nero and friends...that's a long historical list), the Spanish Inquisitors, the Rus-

sian Czars, Hitler, and let's not forget Hamas and Hezbollah. I could go on. And on. And on.

**People have said it for millennia. Just get rid of the Jews. Or their nation. Then things will be better.**

Some might want to avoid the issue. But Israel (Israel the land...and Israel the people ie. Jews) aren't going anywhere (read Jeremiah 31...*"the descendants of Israel will ALWAYS be a nation before me."*)

Some might say, *"Let's just get rid of the Old Testament, and focus on the New."* That will solve the problem and help the church grow. Nope. **Throw out the Old and you have a house built on sand. The Old gives foundation to the New. Without the Old there is no New.** Throw out the Old...throw out God's covenant with the nation of Israel...there go the Jews. Swoosh.

Others take another angle (similar to the previous one). *"If we can't get rid of the Jews physically, then let's get rid of them spiritually."* We'll just "replace" them with the church. Uggg.

**Some attempt the geopolitical tactic.** *"Let's get rid of their country."* It's oppressive. "Apartheid state," some might say. **Or let's split it. Divide it up. Two states. 1967 borders.** Here's the problem with that one. In reality those borders are indefensible today. That makes it easy. Bye. Bye. Israel.

Regardless. The theme is consistent and has been for thousands of years. *"If we can get rid of the Jews, we will get rid of our problems."* They are preventing the world from realizing peace. Unfortunately that's not true. It's wrong. False. Misguided.

Here's the thing. **God is not done with the Jewish people. Nor is he done with Israel.** He has not rejected them. And they have not stumbled so as to fall beyond recovery. (Romans 11:1 and 11:11)

**Like it or not, ultimately, one day, Israel will be on center stage, as will Jerusalem.** For the greatest, yet most brutal battle of all time. The coming battle, and ultimate battle, will be between God and the nations (read Eze-



kiel, Daniel, Zephaniah, Zechariah, and Revelation).

There's one essential upon which all of us believers in Jesus should agree. **He's coming back. He IS coming back. To Israel. To the Mount of Olives. To Jerusalem.**

When Jesus returns he will not only bring peace but he will bring the nation of Israel and the Jewish people back into relationship with himself. **Then there will be a national restoration of Israel back into relationship with God through Jesus. The messianic kingdom will ensue.**

*"And they will look upon him whom they have pierced and they will mourn as one mourns for an only child and grieve bitterly for him as one mourns for a first born son."* Zechariah 12:10

Here's another thing we can all, or should all, agree upon. **Until his return we have work to do. The world needs him. We have LOTS of work to do.**

I have had more Jewish people reaching out to talk. THEY are calling me! Asking questions. Inquisitive. Seeking. Locally. My weeks are filling up with visits with open Jewish people!

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**I've recently been contacted to minister to several interfaith couples, both married and dating.** They are asking-serious questions about faith. Please pray!

**Please pray for the peace of Jerusalem.** For our nation's leaders to stand close to the only democratic nation in the Middle East. And for the gospel to go forth to Israel and all the nations. Because...Jesus is the only hope for peace in the Middle East.

**If you'd like to talk about some of these issues in your church, small group, or bible study let me know. No group is too small.** If you have a Jewish friend or acquaintance, let me know!

As others want to get rid of the Jews... let's pray for them and help them hear the good news of Messiah Jesus!

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### Thank You!!

Our ministry is here to encourage you to pray for the Jewish people and to help them hear the message of Jesus.

**As always, thank you for caring enough, and trusting us enough, to send us back to the Jewish people with the love of Messiah Jesus!**

In His service,

Murray Tilles...for the staff and for those in Israel...we're looking to the future!!

