“Israel ... God in the past, present & future”

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QUIZ ABOUT ISRAEL

(HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT ISRAEL?)
GOD AND THE NATION OF ISRAEL

GOD’S DIVINE PLAN FOR ISRAEL – PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE
ABRAHAMIC COVENANT

Genesis 12:1-13

“land” “seed” “blessing”

ISRAEL LAND COVENANT
Deuteronomy 30
“land”

DAVIDIC COVENANT
2 Samuel 7
“seed”

NEW COVENANT
Jeremiah 31
“blessing”
KEY EVENTS – ISRAEL’S PAST

- **God promised Abram/Abraham** that he would make a great nation *(Gen 12)*
- **Fall of Israel & Judah**
- **Destruction of first temple in 586BC**
- **Return of the Jews to their land in 444 BC** – walls rebuilt by Nehemiah
- **Ezekiel 37:11** – prophesy that Israel would be scattered. Dead?
- 2\(^{nd}\) temple rebuilt by King Herod
- 2\(^{nd}\) temple destroyed in 70 AD. Persecution.
EZEKIEL’S PROPHECY

Verse 11 gives the interpretation: “these bones are the whole house of Israel.” This was her condition for the past 2,000 years. She was scattered to the ends of the earth, and it appeared that she was dead and finished.
586 B.C.

The First Temple was destroyed by Babylon under Nebuchadnezzar as punishment for Israel’s sin.
63 B.C.

The Roman armies conquered Jerusalem and Emperor Pompey rode his horse into the Jewish Temple
Romans soldiers brought back a Menorah & other holy relics from the 2nd Temple in Jerusalem
1866

Jews become a majority in Jerusalem for the first time in 1,200 years
BACK IN THE LAND

The Six-Day War 1967
Israel faced Egypt, Jordan, Syria, and Iraq, with Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Tunisia, Morocco, and Algeria contributing troops and arms.
BACK IN THE LAND

- Israel faced 250,000 troops, 2,000 tanks, and 700 aircraft. America and France imposed an arms embargo on Israel, but the Soviet Union flooded the Arabs with war materiel.
STATE OF ISRAEL IS BORN

The first independent Jewish State in 19 centuries was born in Tel Aviv as the British Mandate over Palestine came to an end at midnight on Friday, and it was immediately subjected to the test of fire. As ‘Medinat Yisrael’ (State of Israel) was proclaimed, the battle for Jerusalem raged, with most of the city falling to the Jews. At the same time, President Truman announced that the United States would accord recognition to the new State. A few hours later, Palestine was invaded by Moslem armies from the south, east and north, and Tel Aviv was raided from the air. On Friday the United Nations Special Assembly adjourned after adopting a resolution to appoint a mediator but without taking any action on the Partition Resolution of November 29.

Yesterday the battle for the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road was still under way, and two Arab villages were taken. In the north, Acre town was captured, and the Jewish Army consolidated its positions in Western Galilee.

Most Crowded Hours in Palestine’s History

JEWS TAKE OVER SECURITY ZONES

Egyptian Air Force Spitfires Bomb Tel Aviv: One Shot Down

U.S. RECOGNIZES JEWISH STATE

Proclamation by Head of Government

1948
1967

Springfield Republican

WAR ENDS—TOTAL ISRAEL VICTORY

Syrians Collapse
In Final Campaign;
UN Session Called

U.S. Pilots
Hit Power
Complex

Resignation of Vance
Stirs Up Washington
Israel ... the Present
EVIDENCE AT THE SHRINE OF THE BOOK

It contains scrolls found in caves near the Dead Sea. The roof is in the shape of the lid of the clay jars that protected the scrolls; the corridor leading into the museum resembles a cave.
Items in ivory excavated from Ahab’s palace in Samaria. The Bible mentions Ahab’s ivory palace (1 Kings 22:39), and many fragments of carved ivory items have been found. Also found in the palace area was an opal signet ring containing the name Jezebel.
Inscription "To Herod King of the Jews" on a piece of pottery that was used to import wine.
PHYLACTERY

God instructed the Jews to wear the Scripture on their foreheads (Deut. 6:8). This is called a phylactery (Mat. 23:5). Traditionally they contain four tiny scrolls inscribed with the following Scripture portions:

*Exodus 13:1-10; 11:16;
Deuteronomy 6:4-9; 11:13-21.*
BLINDNESS

Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs says, “Even today, there is no regular study of the Bible itself in ultra-Orthodox yeshivas”
“When He approached Jerusalem, He saw the city and wept over it, saying, ‘If you had known in this day, even you, the things which make for peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes. For the days will come upon you when your enemies will throw up a barricade against you, and surround you and hem you in on every side, and they will level you to the ground and your children within you, and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not recognize the time of your visitation.’”

Luke 19:41-44 NASB
THE TEMPLE MOUNT
2005
Sanhedrin re-established
Israel ... the Future
Conclusion: Israel’s present is evidence of the truth of God’s Word. She is back in the land but is spiritually blind. She hosts a false Christianity. And she is unwittingly preparing for the coming of the Antichrist.
IMMINENT

The Third Temple will be built during the reign of Antichrist
NEXT WEEK
1 OCTOBER

ISRAEL’S FUTURE – THE RESTORATION BY GOD
(ROMANS 11)
Let’s Pray