

# REPENT AUSTRALIA

"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:14

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## A COVENANT PEOPLE

As a nation we must discover the sense of divine guidance that led to the founding of Australia as the Great Southland of the Holy Spirit in 1788. It was not an "invasion" as some today are wont to claim, but the promptings of the Spirit of the All-knowing God desiring to extend the work of His Chosen People in establishing the Kingdom of God in the furthest corners of the globe. If we would but accept the fact that we are part of His Covenant People: that our chosen lot has always been to take the Gospel of His Kingdom to the uttermost places of the earth, so in obedience fulfilling this destiny that God planned for us! Believe it or not, our ancestry does not begin with Great Britain which colonised this land over 200 years ago, but it extends far back in time to the patriarch Abraham whom God promised that his progeny would be blessed through his son Isaac. Thus, his descendants—the nation of Israel—were the chosen of God to eventually redeem the world through the coming of Jesus Christ.

## A Twofold Blessing

After God covenanted with Abraham to bless him and make him the father of many nations this covenant was then passed on to his son Isaac and to his grandson Jacob (Israel). The descendants of Israel were promised a twofold blessing: the Sceptre, a kingly line culminating in Jesus Christ as King of kings; and the Birthright, a promise of national wealth, multitudinous population and great power. The Sceptre was passed on to Judah and the Birthright to Joseph, Israel's favourite son, who in turn bestowed it upon his sons, Ephraim and Manasseh. The former was to become a commonwealth of nations and the latter a great nation. This promise has never been fulfilled in the Jews, the descendants of Judah through whom the Messiah came. Neither can it be spiritualised away. Nevertheless, it became a reality in the nations of Great Britain and the United States of America.

## A Seven Times Punishment

"How?" you may well ask. Following the exodus from Egypt the Israelites entered the Promised Land and eventually David became king. God promised King David He would appoint a place for His people Israel where He would plant them, free from the oppression of their enemies. Upon the death of David's son Solomon the kingdom split in two. The ten northern tribes under the leadership of Ephraim became the House of Israel and the two southern tribes became the House of Judah, later to be called the Jews. For 250 years Israel constantly disobeyed God's commandments and eventually He allowed them to be carried off into captivity in Assyria in 721BC. God had previously warned His people that if they disobeyed Him they would be punished "seven times" for their sins. In prophecy a "time" represents a 360-day year. Thus, following a biblical principle of a day-for-a-year (Ezekiel 4:4-6), their penalty was to be seven 360-day years---2520 years. That is, the punishment on the House of Israel would last from 721BC until AD1800. It is no coincidence that from this date both Great Britain and the United States began to flourish. But how could these two nations be Israel, the Chosen People? It does seem quite remarkable. Indeed, it is also remarkable how "little England" could establish the greatest colonial empire in the history of the world "on which the sun never set".

## **Europe through the Caucasus Mountains**

According to the Book of Esdras in the Apocrypha a large number of these so-called lost tribes escaped from Assyria about 600BC and travelled north-west, entering Europe north of the Black Sea through the Caucasus Mountains (so they are now known as Caucasians). Moreover, the reputed Jewish historian Josephus records that, "The Ten Tribes did not return to Palestine: only Two Tribes served the Romans after Palestine became a Roman province" (Antiquities 11.5:2). In several vast migrations great numbers from the northern house of Israel journeyed across Europe. Many of them, known as Angles, Jutes, Saxons, Vikings and Normans crossed the North Sea and settled in the British Isles. Later, men and women of Israel began to venture forth from England and spread out into many lands and their language became the highway of the world's thought and literature and faith.

#### **Blood Brothers**

A pre-eminent fact in world diplomacy today is the basic unity of the Anglo-Saxon peoples. Generally speaking, as shown in two world wars, they have been the catalyst for defeating the powers of evil that sought to conquer the world. In other words, they fought on the side of right and God. Though it may be thought that it is their shared Christian faith, their common language and their mutual love of liberty and freedom that has bound them together, it is more than that: it is the bond of kinship forged so long ago when they became blood brothers through their common ancestor Jacob (Israel). Although today the power of these Anglo-Saxon nations is in decline because of their national sin and departure from God's laws, and their true identity has been concealed by those with a One-World agenda under the guise of Political Correctness, God's Chosen people are still in existence.

## The Veil Removed

Moreover, God's mercy is still with us. We have not been drawn from the ends of the earth only to thwart the will of God for the world through us. No! He will do His will and we shall obey and trust Him as His chosen servants. But let us remember it will be in His sufficiency and not our own. God will not use us for our own self-glorification as a nation or as a race, but to glorify Him as His purposes are fulfilled on this earth. Indeed, in these latter days, we will become spiritual overcomers. The supreme proof that we are still God's Covenant People, although we have failed miserably in the past, is that His grace will help us through our trials. Had God cast off His people whom He foreknew, He would have broken His contract with them. He would have annulled His promises and His covenants. But no! They are in force---and what an irresistible force! We are still in His hands and the lash of correction will continue to be felt until it accomplishes its goal. The day will come when our people will repeat the words spoken through the prophet Hosea: "Come, and let us return to the Lord: for He has torn, and He will heal us; He has smitten, and He will bind us up." The fact of a Covenant People is a source of blessing and solemn joy, but its implications should drive us to seek with great diligence and sincere repentance our divine Redeemer---the LORD JESUS CHRIST. May we realise who we really are and humbly accept our holy privilege and responsibility, turning away from our ungodly ways to fulfil our destiny as part of God's Chosen People. Make no mistake: the kingdoms of this world will inevitably become the Kingdom of our God and of His Christ! Amen.

#### **PRAYER**

Lord God Almighty, Creator of the heavens and the earth, hallowed be Your name. Gracious Father, as blood Covenant People under the lordship of Jesus Christ and yielded to Your Holy Spirit, we step out in faith to do Your will on earth through the Great Commission. Thank You, Abba Father, for sending us Your Living Word, the LORD JESUS CHRIST, our all-sufficient Saviour to show Your Covenant People Your Way, Your Truth and Eternal Life through Your indwelling Spirit. Merciful Father, help us to live the life of Christ in us by the power of Your Spirit, so that the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts will be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, our Rock and Redeemer. Blessed Spirit of the Great I AM, make our covenant complete, for our faith stands in the power of the Living God through His covenant. Make us, O lord, overcomers bringing a harvest of lost souls into Your Kingdom. Enthrone JESUS CHRIST King of kings and Lord of lords of this Great Southland of the Holy Spirit beneath the Southern Cross, to glorify the Almighty Father. Amen.

R.A: Led by our Lord Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit to glorify the Fatherhood of God with the Brotherhood of Man; in love and in faithfulness to bring glory and honour to His holy name.