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## One Nation made up of Jews and Gentiles.

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## ONE NATION IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

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### God's word to David through Nathan

King David decided that he would build a house for God to dwell in so he says to Nathan, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the Ark of God dwells in a tent. Nathan tells David to do all that is in his heart because the LORD is with him, but that same night the LORD came to Nathan and tells him to tell David the following.

- **2 Samuel 7:11-14:** Nathan tells David: "The LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. <sup>12</sup>When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring (seed in KJV) after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. <sup>13</sup>He shall build a house for my name and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. <sup>14</sup>I will be to him a father and he shall be to me a son."

in the book of Chronicles Nathan tells David the same thing:

- **1 Chronicles 17:4:** The LORD tells Nathan: "Go and tell my servant David, 'Thus says the LORD: 'It is not you (David) who will build me a house to dwell in.

God tells Nathan to tell David, that David will not build God a house it will be God who will build a house for David. God's promise to David is that after David dies God will raise up a house (Kingdom) for David from David's seed (descendants). In the book of Samuel God shines more light on this amazing prophecy saying:

- **2 Samuel 7:13:** He (King David's seed) shall build a house for my name, and I (God) will establish the throne of his (the seed of King David) kingdom forever.

**NOTICE:** it is not Solomon's that is the focus of God's mind here because his Kingdom was not forever, the seed of David that is in God's mind is Christ. God is saying that through Christ He will build a house for David. Of courses David at this time does not understand that prophetically this is what the LORD is actually saying since David applies Nathan's words to his son Solomon.

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## GOD WILL BE THE FATHER OF DAVID'S SEED

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- **2 Samuel 7:14:** I will be his father, and he shall be my son.

The primary focus is that God will build the seed of David a house and establish his throne forever, the words, "God will be his Father" refer to God being the Father of David's seed and David's seed will be God's Son. Clearly it is Christ who is in God's mind while Solomon is in David's mind. This is the wonder, splendour and beauty of God's prophecy it allows for a partial local fulfillment, but also has a final future fulfillment interwoven in the language an in focus. The sons name was Solomon:

- **1 Chronicles 22:9:** David says, "Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all his enemies round about: for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days."

David says the promised Son is Solomon, but it is not recorded in the Bible that God named this promised seed of David's as Solomon. When Nathan first came to David God's promise was that, from David's seed would come, a Son who would build a house for David. Once again the reader sees the beauty of the Bible because Scripture does not record God Himself actually naming the promised seed and because there is no mention of God Himself actually naming the promised seed of David it leaves the prophecy open to continue onto a future King when Solomon failed to keep God's statutes.

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## **GOD GAVE DAVID THE PATTERN FOR THE HOUSE TO BUILD FOR GOD IN WRITING**

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- **1 Chronicles 28:19:** All this, said David, the LORD made me understand in writing by his hand upon me, even all the works of this pattern.

Obviously God gave David instructions and details for the house of God, but this also is not recorded in the Bible, it may well have been that God told David Solomon would build the temple when He was giving him the instructions for the temple, but here is the beauty and wonder of the language of the Bible, now the ardent reader begins to see the splendour of God's prophetic word and the thumbprint of Gods hand on his word. The language of the Bible is brilliant because it never records God naming the promised seed.

The immediate and local fulfillment was obviously through Solomon, but the Son God ultimately had in mind was Christ, clearly David receives Gods word for his immediate time and his son Solomon, which is in God's plans and purposes, but the joy to the reader is that the promised Son is never named by God Himself and in God's mind the language allows for a future Son to appear on David's throne. Solomon eventually turned to idols and was not constant to do God's commandments and his house and kingdom was destroyed, therefore Nathan's message from God to David was pointing to another seed to come in a future age.

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## **NATHANS PROPHECY REPEATED**

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Nathan's prophecy to David is repeated: God says, "After David dies, I will raise up his seed who will build a house for me. I will be his Father and he will be My Son; I will establish his throne and his kingdom forever."

- **1 Chronicles 17:10-15:** from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will subdue all your enemies. moreover, I (Nathan) declare to you (David) that the LORD will build you a house. <sup>11</sup>When your days are fulfilled to walk with your fathers, I will raise up your seed after you, one of your own sons, and I will establish his kingdom. <sup>12</sup>He shall build a house for me and I will establish his throne forever. <sup>13</sup>I will be to him a father and he shall be to me a son. I will not take my steadfast love from him, as I took it from him (Saul) who was before you (David) <sup>14</sup>but I will confirm him in my house and in my kingdom forever, and his throne shall be established forever." <sup>15</sup>In accordance with all these words, and in accordance with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

God tells David that He will set up a seed from David's own bowels meaning God will raise up a son from David's own his flesh (i.e., a descendant) and God Himself will be the Father of that Son.

- **2 Samuel 7:12:** When your (King David's) days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your seed after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.

**NOTICE:** this prophetic message is for after David's death. God is telling David that after he dies God will set up David's seed who, will come from his own body (bowels in KJV) and establish his Kingdom forever. God's prophetic promise to David that from out of his own bowels He would raise up a Son was fulfilled through Mary who most scholars suppose descended from David's son Nathan and through Joseph (Jesus foster father) who was a descendant of David through his son Solomon. In this way God's promise through Nathan to David was completely fulfilled in the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ, the ultimate promised seed to come from the line of David. This prophetic word God spoke to David concerning his seed shines a brilliant light on the wonder and majesty of prophetic biblical language, but it does not stop here, but shines even brighter as we travel through the New Testament.

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## ONE NATION IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

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Now Nathan's word to David becomes really exciting for us because the mind of the New Testament reader goes to the following event.

- **Luke 1:32:** The angel Gabriel said, "He (Mary's child) will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David."

Gabriel tells Mary Jesus father is David according to the flesh. Jesus is a descendant of David because Mary was a descendant of David's son Nathan it is in this sense that David is his father. David is the father of Jesus by promise and by bloodline through Mary, but God is the Father of Christ through His creative power and by the power of His Holy Spirit.

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## DAVID KNEW GOD WOULD SET ONE OF HIS DESCENDANTS ON HIS THRONE

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- **Acts 2:30-31:** Paul says of David, "Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, <sup>31</sup>he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption.

God promised David there would not fail a man to sit on his throne. In the beginning David may have believed Solomon was going to be the promised seed or he may have seen Solomon as being the beginning of a line of Kings that will continue on his throne until the Christ appears, nevertheless at some stage David being a prophet understood the promised seed was Christ. David died and has not seen the succeeding history of his Kingdom, but when the Angel of the LORD and the trump of God, awakes David from his sleep, he will instantly arise to see the promised seed sitting on his throne ruling over his glorious, majestic and royal Kingdom.

As we travel through the New Testament the light of God shines on this stunning prophecy and it becomes even clearer and takes on an even brighter glory and spectacular wonder. Now the heart of those who love Scripture begins to soar, considering this is a prophecy made to a man in the Old Testament era and now Paul called of God picks it up and continues to explain and reveal to his audience who God had in His mind when He gave Nathan the prophecy to give to David thousands of years ago.

Paul tells us, Jesus is the promised seed of David:

- **Romans 1:1-4:** Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God, <sup>2</sup>Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures, <sup>3</sup>Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh <sup>4</sup>And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.

According to the flesh means a descendant of David, Paul wrote:

- Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel (2 Tim. 2:8).

Jesus tells us that the house of Solomon will be destroyed: -

- Jesus left the temple and was going away, when his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. <sup>2</sup>But he answered them, "You see all these (the temple) do you not? Truly, I say to you, there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down (Matt. 24:1-2).
- They found no (witnesses) though many false witnesses came forward. At last two (false witnesses) came forward <sup>61</sup>and said, "This man said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to rebuild it in three days (Matt. 26:60-61).

This is exactly what God did through the Lord, Christ's death and resurrection abolished the Old Testament Covenant and the need for the Levitical priesthood and the need for a human priest and in 70 AD God used the Romans to literally destroy Solomon's temple (called Herods temple at that time). Added to this Jesus said, "In three days" he will build a new temple. This is fantastic the three days of course refer to Jesus death and resurrection which ushered in a totally new Covenant and a new Kingdom age of grace.

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### **The new temple Jesus is building is called:**

- The body of Christ and the church.
- The house of God and one nation in Christ.
- A new creature in Christ and a new creation in Christ.

This house that God is building through the promised seed of David at this present time is a spiritual Kingdom established in the hearts and minds of every faithful brother and sister in Christ worldwide which will be manifested in perfect glory when Christ returns as King of kings and Lord of lords and the sons and daughter of God are manifested in immortal and eternal glory. In the following verse Paul points out that it is not the natural descendants of Abraham or David that are counted as the children of God, but the children of the promise. Paul said:

- They which are the children of the flesh (descendants of Abraham or David) these are not the children of God but the children of the promise are counted for the seed (Romans 9:8).

When John saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them:

- You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. <sup>9</sup>And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham (Matt. 3:1-9).

They which are the children of the flesh are those who are descendants of Abraham and descendants David. Paul and John are saying just because the Jews are natural descendants of Abraham and David does not mean they are the children of God, rather it is those who belong to Christ that are counted as the seed of Abraham and the seed of David.

- **Galatians 6:15-16:** For neither circumcision (referring to Jews) counts for anything, nor uncircumcision (referring to Gentiles) but a new creation. <sup>16</sup>And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

Paul in these verses is saying, being a Jew or not being a Jew counts for nothing, everyone has to become a new creation by believing in and trusting on the Lord Jesus Christ. Those who belong to Christ are a new creation and the true Israel of God which is made up of Jew and Gentile alike. This new creation is also called the body of Christ, the house of God, the church and the Kingdom of God. Here is the glorious wonder of this of this house God is building through Jesus (the promised seed of David). Paul when talking to the Corinthian brothers and sisters in Christ who were once Gentile pagans who had been led astray to idols and to Jews who had been indoctrinated in Moses Law for four-thousand years and to those who were slaves and others who were born free tells them that:

- They have all been baptised into one body and one Spirit (1 Cor.12:13).

And then says:

- Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it (1 Cor. 12:27).

To fully comprehend the glory of the Bible and of this promise of God to David it is important to understand that the promised seed of Abraham and the promised seed of David is Christ and that all the promises to Israel are now fulfilled in Christ and no longer limited to Israel only, but extend and embrace all those who belong to Christ because God is now creating one new nation in Christ made up of both Jew and Gentiles. (Gentiles are everyone who is not a Hebrew or Jew) this means that Jews and Gentiles become one new nation in Christ (also called, a new man, a new creation, the church, the body of Christ and the Kingdom of God).

The following verses clearly show that God is creating one new man in the Lord Jesus Christ in place of the two (Jew and Gentiles). This one new man is the temple and house that God through Nathan thousands of years ago told David that He would build through David's seed after David had gone to sleep with his fathers (referring to the faithful in God).

The Apostle Paul said:

- **Ephesians 2:11-22:** Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision (Jews), which is made in the flesh by hands— <sup>12</sup>remember that you (Gentiles) were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the *COMMONWEALTH OF ISRAEL* and *STRANGERS* to the *COVENANTS OF PROMISE*, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you (Gentiles) who once were far off (from God) have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he himself is our (Jews and Gentiles) peace, who has made us both *ONE* and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility <sup>15</sup>by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he (Jesus) might create in himself *ONE NEW MAN* (or Nation) in place of the two (Jews and Gentiles), so making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile us (Jews and Gentiles) both to God in *ONE BODY* through the cross, thereby killing the hostility (between the Jews and Gentiles). <sup>17</sup>And he (Jesus) came and preached peace to you (Gentiles) who were far off (from God) and peace to those who were near (Jews). <sup>18</sup>For through him (Jesus) we both (Jews and Gentiles) have access in *ONE SPIRIT* to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you (Gentiles) are *NO LONGER* strangers and aliens, but you are *FELLOW CITIZENS* with the *SAINTS* (the Jews) and members of the *HOUSEHOLD* of God, <sup>20</sup>built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone <sup>21</sup>in whom the *WHOLE STRUCTURE* being joined together (Jews and Gentiles) grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup>In him you (Jews and Gentiles) also are being built together into a *DWELLING PLACE* for *GOD* by the Spirit.

Paul is saying, up until the time of Christ Gentiles had no part in the commonwealth of Israel, or God's promise, but Jesus has now abolished Israel's law of commandments and ordinances that separated Jew and Gentile making Gentiles fellow citizens with the Jews and members of the household of God in Jesus, so that he might create in himself one new man in one body through the cross in place of the two nations (Jew and Gentiles). Now both Jews and Gentiles have access in one Spirit to God the Father. This new man is built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets with Jesus being the cornerstone the whole structure, is joined together with Jews and Gentiles and is growing into a holy temple in the Lord to become a dwelling place for God by His Spirit. The house of God that is being built into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit is no longer buildings it is people. Whoever has the Spirit of Christ dwelling within is part of this new house God is building in Christ. This temple of God is not being built of bricks and mortar as Solomon's temple was, but is being built by the Spirit of God dwelling in the hearts and minds of every faithful brother and sister in Christ regardless of their origin of birth. This present spiritual Kingdom will be manifested on earth when Christ returns as King of kings and Lord of lords (Rev. 19:11-16) with his glorified eternal immortal eternal brothers and sisters ministering as God's priests on earth working together to establish God's Kingdom of righteousness, justice, joy and peace on earth. The book of Revelation states:

- Jesus Christ, the faithful witness who loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood has made us kings and priests unto God and his Father is coming in glory and every eye shall see him, and they also who pierced him and all kindreds of the earth (Revelation 1:5-7).

And in Revelation chapter five we are told that:

- Christ was slain, and by his blood he redeemed a people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation and made them a kingdom and priests to God and they shall reign on the earth (Revelation 5:9-10).

This is a perfect example of the glory the wonder and majestic splendour of the language of Bible prophecy. This holy temple in the Lord is the house of God that the LORD said thousands of years ago through the prophet Nathan that He would build for David through his seed.

**NOTE:** at the end of Christ glorious Kingdom age God descends to earth on a Great White Throne the sea, death and hades (the grave) give up the dead. They stand before God and are judged according to what is written in certain heavenly books according to what they have done. Death and those counted unworthy are cast into the Lake of Fire a symbol of eternal destruction (i.e., total extinction) (also called the, second death) (Rev. 20:11-15). Christ hands the Kingdom over to his heavenly Father and God is ALL in ALL and ETERNITY begins in all its royal fullness and majestic eternal glory.

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**For further information see the title:**

- The Second Resurrection or Great White Throne Judgment.

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