

## SERMON 8

*“Who are Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises” Romans 9:4.*

It behoves the minister to search the law and the testimony to prove who they are, for there are those calling themselves what they are not (Revelation 3:9). *“The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him, and he will shew them his covenant”* Psalm 25:14. It is evident that those who keep the secret will abide in the covenant, and walk in his command, and that at the fullness of times Israel will return unto him, and he will make a new covenant with them. *“Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah”* Jeremiah 31:31. It is evident that he did not make this covenant at his first coming, for they refused him; but at his second coming he gathers them to fulfill his covenant. *“Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts”* 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 1:22. This also proves the text, that those who seek to the law and service of God will obtain the promises. *“He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true”* John 3:33.

*“Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees (which are the nations of the world), till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads”* Revelation 7:3.

This proves that a remnant of Israel was to be saved from among the Gentiles. This shows who are Israelites, to whom pertaineth the adoption, which is alluded to in the text.

*“If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you”* John 15:7.

This shows that the true Israelites will abide in Christ and He in them, He being the true vine and they the branches; not being that vine which withereth, which is mentioned in Ezekiel. *“He took also of the seed of the land, and planted it in a fruitful field; he placed it by great waters, and set it as a willow tree. And it grew, and became a spreading vine of low stature, whose branches turned toward him, and*

*the roots thereof were under him: so it became a vine, and brought forth branches, and shot forth sprigs” Ezekiel 17:5,6.*

The seed of the land being the seed of the woman in its purity; and when the man of sin is separated from the son of man, her seed then grows as *“willows by the water courses”* Isaiah 44:4, and are true Israelites, in whom there is no guile, and to them pertain the adoption, and the covenant, and the fullness of the law, of which the fulfilling of the righteousness is the end.

*“And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called, The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it (into immortality); but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein”* Isaiah 35:8. The unclean being those whose bodies are not washed and salted, as every meat offering that the children of Israel offered was with salt, after the inwards were washed, being figurative of the washing of man’s body by the word, being salted with fire, the Spirit of God – being the baptism of fire. *“I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire”* Matthew 3:11. *“For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterwards have spoken of another day. There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God”* Hebrews 4:8,9.

Now the keys of the kingdom of heaven were given unto Peter in the fifth thousand years, that one day was as a thousand years before God (2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:8). So that by using this key, man might obtain this knowledge of the times and seasons to unlock the Scriptures – to know when the time arrives for the fulfillment of the promises to the true Israelites; that he might follow on to know the Lord by taking heed to that sure word of prophecy,; *“as unto a light that shineth in a dark place”* 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 1:19. For the Revelations point out many different angels as being sent forth for various works in the last days, so that if men do not discern these messengers or angels how can they go on to perfection?

*“And he said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God; but unto them that are without (without the immortal Spirit), all these things are done in parables”* Mark 4:11.

And he giveth those that ask, the fullness of his Spirit, which gathereth them out of all nations, that they who despised the law may turn to the law and gospel, and they that despised the gospel may receive it with the law, and dwell in the Spirit. *“To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them”* Isaiah 8:20.

Firstly, Who are Israelites?

They are those who petition by a morning and evening sacrifice, to take away the root, branch, and seed of evil from their bodies; as the Scripture testifieth, *“That God will avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him”* Luke 18:7. *“And I looked, and lo, a lamb stood on the Mount Sion, and with him an hundred, forty and four thousand, having his Father’s name written in their foreheads. These are they which were not defiled with women (with the uncleanness, they being the daughters of the harlot – Revelation 17:5); for they are virgins. These were redeemed from among men, being the first fruits unto God, and to the Lamb”* Revelation 14:1-4. They being redeemed from the corrupt earth.

Secondly, to whom pertaineth the adoption?

Men being defiled by the tares, which Satan by man sowed in the garden or field of the woman, which she handed to the man, are called men of sin. *“Ye are of your father the devil”* John 8:44. But those who receive his Spirit, which he has sent to testify of him, and ask for that evil to be taken away, and for the fullness of the Spirit to rest upon them – when they receive it they are then the Israelites to whom the adoption pertaineth, God having then sent forth his Spirit into their hearts, whereby they cry, *“Abba, father”* Galatians 4:6, and until they receive the Spirit which adopts them they continue praying for it. *“For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life”* 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 5:4.

The taking away of the evil is necessary before they can receive the adoption, and the clothing of the body with the Spirit is the beginning of the redemption of the body, which is called the partial redemption: but the full redemption is the Spirit being put within them, with their spirits, their bodies then being the temple of the living God, causing them to inherit substance (Proverbs 8:21). And these, which are the

one hundred forty and four thousand of all the tribes of Israel, are two selected out of each of a hundred forty and four thousand families (being the families of the new creation) of the descendants of the twelve tribes of Israel, fulfilling the words of Jeremiah, *“I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion”* Jeremiah 52:14.

The one of a city being Jesus, the seed of the woman, purified by the refiner from that which her body was conceived of. He not being begotten of man had no evil in him; and the two of a family, being the man and the woman, separated from the man of sin and the mother of harlots; when the evil is removed from their bodies they will be like unto his in their mortal lives, they being then the sons and daughters of Jerusalem Above.

Thirdly, And the glory.

They being as Jesus, showing the three different lights as he did. First, as the glory of a star, which was at his birth. Second, as the glory of the moon, when he was baptized. Third, as the glory of the sun, which was after his resurrection.

*There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory”* 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15:41.

*“To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame and am set down with my Father in his throne”* Revelation 3:21.

Fourthly, And the covenants.

Israel is commanded to remember the covenant of the immortality of the mortal body, which God made with Adam before he took of the evil, which is this: *“Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it; for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die”* Genesis 2:16,17. For as death came through not obeying the commands of God, so life must come through God causing them to obey (Jeremiah 31:33).

Fifthly, And the giving of the law.

*“For not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified. For circumcision verily profiteth, if thou keep the law”* Romans 2:13,25.

*“Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers”* Romans 15:8. The fathers being the martyrs.

*“He that turneth away his ears from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination”* Proverbs 28:9. *“Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill”* Matthew 5:17.

*“And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail”* Luke 16:17.

*“Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings”* Isaiah 51:7.

*“But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed”* James 1:25.

Sixthly, And the service of God.

When the evil is taken away from the bodies of Israel, and they dwell in his Spirit, for which they ask evening and morning, will the words of Jesus be fulfilled, *“God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth”* John 4:24. The Spirit keeping all his laws and commandments in them, as it did in Jesus, he being their example. *“For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example that ye should follow his steps”* 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 2:21.

Seventhly, And the promises.

The promise to Israel being not only the immortality of their mortal bodies, but also that they shall live and reign one thousand years on this earth with Jesus Christ and be His bride. And it shall be at that day that thou shalt call me Ishi (which means husband); and shall call me no more Baali (which means Lord). And I will betroth thee unto me forever; and I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the Lord (Hosea 2:16-20).