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PART 14: THE DEVIL'S MESSIAH

## **MESSIANIC PROPHECIES**

Let's examine the following Biblical facts:

- 1. There is no god besides the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Isaiah 45:5-6; 46:9-10
- 2. The Bible is the Word of God; it is eternal and unchangeable. **Isaiah 55:6-11**; **Matt.5:17-20**; **Hebrews 6:16-20**
- 3. There are numerous prophecies about the Messiah in the Old Testament that God would send to the Israelites. **Isaiah 7:14**; **9:6-7**; **11:1-2**; **53:1-10** 
  - a. The Messiah would be born to a virgin from the tribe of Judah.
  - b. The Messiah would suffer and pay for the sins of mankind.
  - c. The Messiah would be sent to the descendants of Abraham and He would sit on the throne of King David.

## HAS THE MESSIAH COME?

Has the Messiah come as the scriptures foretold? This is the key question for every Christian. Was Jesus the fulfilment of prophecies in the Old Testament? Was Jesus the Son of God? Was He crucified on a cross in Jerusalem? Did He rise from the dead? Is He now the ruler of the entire creation? Did He pay for the sins of the children of Israel along with the sins of the people in the world? You and I would answer those questions affirmatively, but what about the Jews? What did they say when Jesus lived on the earth in a human body?

- When Jesus healed a man that was blind and dumb, the Pharisees told the people that Jesus had done this miracle by the power of Beelzebub, the prince of devils. Matthew 12:22-24
- 2. People believed that Jesus was demon possessed. John 7:11-20
- 3. The people stated that Jesus was a Samaritan from the ten northern tribes, whose ancestors had mingled with heathens and He was possessed by a devil. **John 8:48-59**
- 4. The Jewish leadership hated Jesus and conspired to murder Him. **Matthew 26:1-4, 14-15**
- 5. The Jewish leadership arrested Jesus in the middle of the night, brought Him to the house of the high priest and had false witnesses testify against Him. He was physically abused and turned over to the Roman governor for crucifixion. **Matthew 26:47-67; 27:1-2**



- 6. The Jewish leadership demanded that Jesus was to be crucified. **Matthew** 27:11-25
- 7. The Jewish leadership called Jesus a deceiver and had soldiers to guard the tomb so that the disciples could not steal the body. When Jesus rose from the dead, they bribed the soldiers and told them to say that the disciples had stolen the body. Matthew 27:62-66; 28:11-15
- The Jewish leadership had to conduct damage control once Jesus rose from the dead and tried to stop the apostles from spreading the news that Jesus was the Messiah. Acts 4:1-7
- 9. They would threaten the apostles. verses 12-21
- 10. Stephen was arrested, falsely accused and murdered without a trial. **Acts 6:8-15; 7:54-60**
- 11. Forty devout Jews conspired to murder the apostle Paul. Acts 23:12-15

## WHAT DO JEWS SAY TODAY ABOUT JESUS?

The following is a summary from Rabbi Solomon Grayzel about Jesus in his book, "A History of the Jews." This book is used to educate children in Jewish private schools.

Joseph and Miriam (Mary) had several children and Jesus was one of them. One of their sons was named Joshua (Jesus) and he was very interested in the writings of the Old Testament. He learned the trade of a carpenter from his father and later in life he had an encounter with John the Baptist and that encounter made a deep spiritual impression upon him. Later when he heard that John the Baptist had been beheaded, Joshua felt led to take up the work of John the Baptist.

He began to preach repentance, for people to give up their properties, to observe the Old Testament laws and he had a remarkable capacity to cure people from their illnesses.

Joshua came from the poorer class of Jews and he basically tried to reach out to the poor Jews in Galilee. He picked disciples of poor fishermen and workers and he kept himself constantly with them. He freely went to the homes of people who were considered to be bad people, and this brought great concern from the Pharisees, who said that a teacher of the Torah should not associate with sinners.

His followers began to believe that Joshua was the Messiah that the prophets had said would come and when Simon Peter confessed that Joshua was the Messiah, he was mildly rebuked by Joshua.

On a visit to Jerusalem, he and his followers camped out on Mount Olives, like other poor Jewish pilgrims did. Trouble began when Joshua entered the temple ground and started to turn over tables and kicked out the money changers and the sellers of animals for sacrifices. A riot broke out in the temple district, for which Joshua and the Galileans had to bear the blame.

The men in charge of public peace saw the danger of further disturbances of Joshua, which included Pharisees and Sadducees. They knew that Galilean Jews were hotheaded patriots.

Pontius Pilate with his soldiers were also aware of the tense situation. They feared a second visit by Joshua to the temple and it was decided that Joshua had to be discredited in front of his disciples.

Some Pharisees felt that Joshua was a false teacher and leading people astray. Other Pharisees tried to discredit Joshua by publicly asking him questions, but Joshua was evasive and would not answer.

The Sadducees decided to take matters into their own hands, and were able to persuade the disciple Judas Kiriot to point out Joshua in return for money. The result was that Joshua was arrested and taken to the authorities.

Since it was a Jewish holiday, no Jewish court was open, so they had to take Joshua to the High Priest and some members of the Jewish aristocracy. Their intent was to find some legal charges against Joshua, which would make it possible to hold Joshua in jail over the holidays and thus preventing any further rioting.

But Joshua did not cooperate with them, instead he made the statement that he was the predestined Messiah and the high priest and the leaders drew the conclusion that Joshua was going to start a rebellion against Rome. No one knew why Joshua claimed to be the Messiah and that it came as a surprise.

The high priests and his friends did not want a messiah, for messiah meant revolution and trouble. There had been Jews prior to Joshua, who had made such claims, which had led to the death of the person claiming to be the messiah and many of his followers.

Rabbi Grayzel stated that maybe they should have just kept Joshua in prison. But the Jewish leadership decided to deal harshly with Joshua and they hoped that by turning him over to the Roman occupation authority, they would be seen in a benevolent way, since they were looking after the interest of Rome.

Joshua's proclamation that he was the Messiah was a political crime and the Jews did not have the legal authority to deal with political crime.

Pilate determined the fate of Joshua from the statements made by the high priest and from his own examination of Joshua. Pilate came to the conclusion that Joshua wanted to be the king of the Jews, which was treason according to Roman law and punishable by death on a cross. Pilate condemned Joshua to be executed immediately.

The Roman custom was to flog a condemned person before he was fastened to the cross. After the flogging the prisoner was ordered to carry his own cross beam to the execution place. Some of Joshua's followers watched the condemned prisoner as he was paraded through the streets in Jerusalem, together with two criminals. His disciples were hoping for a last minute miracle, which did not occur.

The soldiers nailed Joshua to the cross beam and lifted him up on the stationary pole, and then nailed his feet to the pole. A sign was placed on top of the pole stating, "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews."

Joshua could not endure the torture for long and late in the afternoon he died, but not before he had uttered the words in anguish: "My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?" This was a quotation from the Book of Psalms.

It was a disgrace for a Jew to leave a dead body exposed and Joshua's friends bribed the Romans to give them the body. They put the body in a cave covered by a huge rock and intended to come back to give the body a proper burial.

His disciples were scattered, there was no more hope. But when some of them came to the cave, they found it empty. The body had mysteriously disappeared and they started to believe that Joshua had been resurrected from the dead and that he would return to them again.

The disciples became known as Nazarenes and they started to gather in a house that one of them owned. The more they talked about Joshua and the miracles he had done, the more they embellished the stories. They read in the Old Testament and found references to their departed leader. They started to write down the stories and used the writings to persuade other Jews to believe that Joshua the Nazarene was the expected Messiah.

The tragedy of Joshua was now over; the glorification of Jesus had begun. But the tragedy of the Jewish people that Joshua had loved was continuing and was destined to be intensified in his name.<sup>1</sup>

## **ONE EVENT - TWO STORIES**

As a Christian living today, you need to decide if you're going to believe the account written in the New Testament or the version recounted in Jewish history books?

The two stories cannot be reconciled; one is the truth and the other is a lie. Most Christian Zionists never read the historical textbooks used by the Jewish communities to educate their children. They live in a foggy romantic state of mind that all Jews are God's chosen people and He is willing to deal with them on their terms no matter what they say or do. The story of Joshua found in Jewish history books is written in a smooth way that portrays Jesus as a misguided Jew who went astray.

This is contrary to what God the Father and Jesus stated. A person must be born again in order to be saved. **John 3:1-5** 

If a human being is not born again, their name won't be found in the Book of Life and they will be cast into the Lake of Fire. **Revelation 20:11-15** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A HISTORY OF THE JEWS, Solomon Grayzel, Jewish Publication Society of America, Philadelphia, 1948, pp.134-136

#### THE TALMUD

The Babylonian Talmud was begun during the captivity in Babylon and dates back to 580 B.C. It is a continued compilation of different rabbis and their interpretations of the Old Testament as well as new doctrine, much of it based on Kabbalistic thinking. The Talmud is called "the tradition of the elders" in the New Testament. **Matthew 15:1-3** 

I am going to provide a brief summary of what the Talmud states about Jesus and Mary. This information is taken from the book "The Jewish Religion: It's Influence Today."<sup>2</sup>

- 1. Mary is called Miriam in the Talmud. She was a women's hairdresser and an adulteress.
- 2. Jesus is referred to as a bastard, whose father was a Roman soldier by the name of Panthera.
- 3. Jesus is also referred to as Balaam the false prophet.
- 4. Jesus is described as being blind in one eye and having a lame foot.
- 5. The Talmud states that Jesus morally ruined the Jewish people.
- 6. Christian churches are likened to nude Baal worshippers' temples.
- 7. Jesus is currently in hell, where he is being punished in boiling semen.
- 8. When Christians die, they are taken to hell for eternal punishment by being boiled in excrement for their refusal to believe in Judaism.
- 9. Jesus was first stoned and then hanged on a cross.
- 10. Jesus is described as a seducer of women for which he was excommunicated by a rabbi.
- 11. Jesus worshiped a brick as his god and seduced the people of Israel with black magic.

## THE JEWISH PEOPLE ARE LOOKING FOR A MESSIAH

By now it should be clear that the Jewish leadership and the majority of Jews rejected Jesus as the Messiah some 2,000 years ago. **John 1:9-11** 

In previous messages I shared how the Jewish leadership and the people rallied around Sabbatai Sevi in 1666 when he declared himself to be the messiah.<sup>3</sup> I also shared how a hundred years later another generation of Jews gathered around Jacob Frank, who claimed to be the incarnation of Sabbatai Sevi and the messiah for the Jews.<sup>4</sup>

The Kabbalistic leadership fanned the flames again in 1897 when the World Zionist Organization was formed under the leadership of Theodore Herzl. This time the Jews did not rally around a new messiah but were determined on reclaiming the land of Israel for the future messiah.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> THE JEWISH RELIGION – ITS INFLUENCE TODAY, Elizabeth Dilling, Noontide Press, Torrance, California, 1983, pp.14-15

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> RLJ-1272

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> RLJ-1273

The Kabbalistic state of Israel was established in 1948 and since that time Jews have been looking for their messiah that they believe will rule the world as a king and subdue all Gentiles under his feet.

Most Christian pastors, evangelists, teachers and prophets have succumbed to the lies of the Devil and promote the political state of Israel as Christian Zionists. They collect money for poor Jews in Israel and pay transportation costs for Jews in other nations to immigrate to Israel.

Pastors and evangelists thunder from pulpits that Christians have a duty to bless Israel and anyone who fails to do so is under the curse of God. This stems from a flawed understanding of God's personal promise to Abraham and they ignore the facts because it doesn't fit their agenda. **Genesis 12:1-3**; **Galatians 3:1-29** 

Pastor John Hagee tells Christians not to witness to Jews because God has a different plan for them. We should just bless and help them with money and other needed items. This is a lie from the pit of hell and goes against everything the Bible teaches.

Ulk Ekman is a retired Swedish pastor and a convert to the Roman Catholic Church. He used his status in the 1990's as a mega pastor for Livets Ord in Uppsala, Sweden, to purchase a retired U.S. navy ship and rename it to Jabotinsky after the Russian born Zionist. The ship had a crew of Swedish Christians and it sailed between the Black Sea and Israel, transporting poor Jews who could not afford to immigrate to Israel. The crew on the ship was forbidden to share Christ with the Jewish passengers; they were only to love them, care for their needs and make the trip as comfortable as possible. Just like John Hagee, Ekman condemned these Jewish people to hell by refusing to share the Gospel with them.

#### SATAN WILL GIVE THE JEWS A MESSIAH

God revealed details about the false messiah that would come in the future and how we should not be deceived. **2 Thessalonians 2:1-3** 

The Man of Sin, the Son of Perdition, the Beast or the Antichrist as he is also known will come to Jerusalem and enter a rebuilt temple and declare he is God. **verse 4** 

This man will mimic the real Messiah, Jesus Christ, who told the apostles that He was God and the Son of Man. **John 14:8-11** 

The Holy Spirit has held back the Antichrist for the last 2,000 years but the day is coming when the Holy Spirit will no longer hold him back. **2 Thessalonians 2:5-7** 

This wicked person will be cut off by Jesus and sent to the Lake of Fire. **verse 8**; **Revelation 19:20** 

Satan will cause a great deception to come upon the Jewish people and a large numbers of Christians who will believe that this wicked man is from God. **2 Thessalonians 2:9-10** 

When Christians and unbelievers reject the truth and turn to a lie, God will send them strong delusion and people will swear they have the truth, even when they are in reality following Satan. God will send strong delusion as a punishment and this will also apply to Christian Zionists, **verses 11-12** 

Do you belong to the Christians who walk in truth? Are you walking in darkness? **verse 13** 

## THE REVELATION OF JESUS

If you have been born again and not living in deception, you will embrace what Jesus revealed to the apostle John:

- 1. The Antichrist will rise to world power through the supernatural power provided by Satan. **Revelation 13:1-2**
- 2. There will be an assassination attempt on the Man of Sin that will appear to be successful but he will survive supernaturally. **verse 3**
- 3. The worship of Satan will be the official religion in the kingdom of the Antichrist. This will be a highlight for Jewish Kabbalists, when they can openly worship their holy serpent. Make no mistake about this though, there will be a Devil worship not seen on the earth since the days of Noah before the flood. The teaching at this time will be that Lucifer is god the father and the Antichrist is his son. It will be a twisted version of John 3:16. verse 4; John 14:9-11
- 4. The Antichrist will curse those in heaven. Revelation 13:5-6
- 5. He will make war against Christians. verses 7-9
- 6. All the different religions will be merged into a world religion led by the false prophet. **verses 11-12**
- 7. The false prophet will have supernatural power to perform miracles and also to impose a new monetary system that will be merged with the religion of Satan. The new monetary system will not be political but a religious system of worship for those who want to be part of it. **verses 13-17**
- 8. Jesus identifies this religious system as the Kabbalistic 666 system set up by King Solomon. **verse 18**

## THE FATE OF THOSE WHO TAKE THE MARK OF THE BEAST

The Bible is clear about the fate of the person who takes the Mark of the Beast. Anyone who joins the religious/monetary system and receive the Mark of the Beast will be damned to the Lake of Fire. If you are a Christian and take the Mark for whatever reason, you will forfeit your salvation and end up in the Lake of Fire as well. Are you willing to trade a short time of earthly comfort in exchange for your salvation? **Revelation 14:9-11** 

It is better to be tormented and killed than to take the Mark of the Beast. **verses 12-13** Is Jesus your Messiah? Are you waiting for the Luciferian Jewish Messiah to save you? Are you a wise Christian who is anchored in the Bible or a fool who is merely following the pied pipers of the World Zionist Organization?

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!