# Israel and the Church

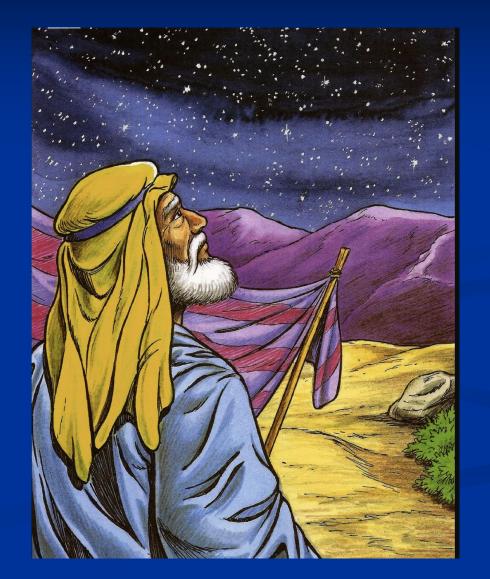
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## Background

A common question

The first to believe that Jesus is the Messiah are Israelites

Paul says things about Israel that seem to...



#### **Main Questions**

Whether the Bible shows that the NT church is the replacement or fulfillment of Israel?

Whether the Bible shows that national Israel has any future role in God's plans?

#### Three Views about Israel and the Church

Traditional Dispensationalist

Progressive Dispensationalist

Covenant

## If the church has replaced Israel...

Three aspects

Three requirements

Church history

Key Bible passages and reconsidering them

## Joel Interpreted by Acts

But this was spoken about through the prophet Joel:

'And in the last days it will be,' God says, 'that I will pour out my Spirit on all people and your sons and your daughters will prophesy, and your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. And I will perform wonders in the sky above and miraculous signs on the earth below, blood and fire and clouds of smoke. The sun will be changed to darkness and the moon to blood before the great and glorious day of the Lord comes. And then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.' (Acts 2: 16-21; Joel 28-32 NET)

### **Amos Interpreted by Acts**

The words of the prophets agree with this, as it is written, 'After this I will return, and I will rebuild the fallen tent of David; I will rebuild its ruins and restore it, so that the rest of humanity may seek the Lord, namely, all the Gentiles I have called to be my own,' says the Lord, who makes these things known from long ago (Acts 15:15-18, Amos 9:11-12 NET)

### Hosea Interpreted by Romans

"even us, whom he has called, not only from the Jews but also from the Gentiles? As he also says in Hosea: "I will call those who were not my people, 'My people,' and I will call her who was unloved, 'My beloved." "And in the very place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' there they will be called 'sons of the living God." Hosea 2:23, 1:10; Romans 9:24-26 NET)

#### **Recent Events and Views**

The Holocaust and the State of Israel

Dispensational Theology

Grammatical, historical, literal approach to Bible understanding

## Relating Israel to the Church

People of God in OT leading to people of God in NT

Pentecost

The Olive Tree