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ISRAEL - "The Circumcision" - "nigh unto God"

THE LAW serves as a "middle wall of partition."

Israel's Program is Resumed and Fulfilled

GENTILES - "Uncircumcision" "far off" "without God"

Genesis	Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deut.	Josh.	Jud. Ruth 1 Sam 1-16	1 Sam 16 to 1 Kgs 12	1 Kgs 12 to 22	2 Kgs 1 to 10:31	2 Kgs 10:32 to 16:20	2 Kgs 17:1 to 25:30	Ezr Neh Est	The Silence of God	Matthew Mark Luke John	Acts 1-8	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation
				1 and 2 Chronicles				Isa, Jer, Lam, Ezk, Dan, Hos, Joel, Amos, Oba, Jon, Mic, Nah, Hab, Zeph, Hag, Zec, Mal.					

More On Signs

Pt. 2

Jn. 5-11

1. We tried to show that the main purpose for Christ 1st Coming AT THAT TIME was to bring about Israel's NATIONAL salvation.
 - a. This was especially important to the Believing Remnant of Israel who had already received individual salvation and personal forgiveness of sins and were now looking and waiting for God to send Someone to save the NATION of Israel and give them a way to participate in Israel's NATIONAL remission of sins.

- b. In the Gospel Accounts, God is handing His Own—those who already belong to Him by faith--over to His Son for training and preparing, safekeeping and preservation through the 1 yr. extension of grace and mercy (early Acts) Tribulation Period and on into the Kingdom. He will make the GREAT NATION He promised since the beginning of the world out of them. Jn. 14:1—you believe in God (individual salvation) now believe in Me and I will lead you into Israel's NATIONAL salvation.
- c. Jesus Christ was calling out the Believing Remnant with the words, works and signs of the Father so that they would recognize the Father in the Son and receive and believe Him. In short, they believed in God, now believe in Jesus as God's Sent One, who like Moses would usher them into the Kingdom.

Individual/Personal Salvation—all sinners since the fall of Adam—Jews or Gentiles without distinction.	Corporate/National Salvation of Israel—Believing Remnant of Israel and Believing Gentile friends.
Abraham as ungodly sinner, idol worshipping Gentile on enemy status before God—as born naturally into the world.	After Abraham had received individual salvation (as born into the family of God), God made a Covenant with Him to re-establish His Glory on earth by making His own great Nation Israel of Abraham.
Abraham believed God and His good news to him and God counted His faith for righteousness—by faith WITHOUT works—Justification before God and His Tribunal (end-time courtroom)— entrance into His family.	Abraham no invited to participate in God’s things to advance and proclaim His Prophetic Program—by faith PLUS works—justification before Christ at His 2 nd Coming for entrance into the earthly Kingdom and to attain a privileged position there.
Instantaneous and unconditional—eternally secure	Progressive and conditional—may not participate in Israel’s NATIONAL salvation fully
The Risen Lord Jesus Christ manifests, explains in full, how this works in Paul’s Epistles.	The earthly Lord Jesus manifests, explains in full, how this works in the Gospels, ministry of the 12 and James.
This applies to both God’s Prophetic and Mystery Programs at all times through the historical ages.	This applies only to those in God’s Prophetic Program with Israel.

2. Why God gave signs to Israel:

- a. God gave signs to His Nation of Israel in response to Moses's concern: They will not believe me—who I am and what I say. They will say the LORD hasn't appeared to you! (Ex. 4:1-9).
- b. The signs weren't given to Israel to generate belief **in God** (that is assumed!). They were given to those who already believed God to generate belief **in Moses as His appointed spokesman**, so that they receive him and follow him to their national redemption, deliverance and salvation out of Egypt and into Promised Land where He would make them into a great nation.

3. So too, Jesus came bearing signs of God so that those who believed in God would be drawn/led to His Son and believe and receive Him, recognizing Him as God's Sent One—the Son, the Christ (Jn. 5:38; 14:1; 20:30-31).
 - a. Just as Moses was God's sent one to provide for Israel's national salvation via the Exodus from Egypt and entrance into the Promised Land, which wasn't completely successful ...
 - b. So too, Jesus was God's GREATER Prophet like unto Moses, His Sent One to provide for Israel's full national salvation through the greater FINAL Exodus out of the "Egypt of the world" in the Tribulation Period at His 2nd Coming and entrance into the long-prophesied earthly Kingdom (Acts 3:21ff).

4. The signs will be seen and received by Believing Israel but rejected by unbelieving Israel.
 - a. Unbelieving Israel, who don't believe in God, won't even see (spiritually) the signs (Jn. 5:10-18).
 - b. Believing Israel progressively—perhaps in stops and spurts—understand and know who exactly He is, and receive and believe in Him relying more and more on Him to usher them into the Kingdom—some faster than others—some start good and then falter—some start out slow and then catch up—especially after the conclusion of the monumental sign of Christ's earth shattering death and resurrection.

- c. Those in and associated with the Believing Israel who are faithful to the end, in the midst of the severe persecution will enter the Kingdom and experience their everlasting life there with full Kingdom privileges, esp., living in close proximity to the Lord reigning in Jerusalem.
- d. Those who aren't faithful may suffer physical death in the Tribulation Period (NOT spiritual death), excluded from entering the Kingdom or if they do, they may not participate fully in all its benefits.
 - some may live out among the Gentiles and darkness rather than in the Land in the midst of the direct presence of the Lord.
 - No Lake of Fire—they remain individually saved before God.

6. Effects of signs:

- a. God ALWAYS gives signs—and every other kind of interaction with Israel--mercifully and graciously with the desire of softening hearts in faith.
- b. Those who believe in God—believing Israel and believing Gentiles like Rahab--recognize the sign and receive God's spokesman—softened hearts in faith.
- c. Those who don't believe in God—unbelieving Israel and the unbelieving Gentiles like Pharaoh—won't recognize the sign and won't receive God's spokesman—hardened hearts in unbelief.
- d. That's why in the 3rd Installment of the 5th COP God mercifully went away from Israel, back to His heavenly place, no longer interacting with them. Everytime He tried to interact with rebellious Israel it backfired—instead of softening their hearts with faith, it just their hearts just got harder in unbelief.

7. In short, the signs divide, revealing whether a person or group is lying or telling the truth when they claim to believe in and belong to the Father. They say they won't believe in Jesus as God's sent One without signs. But when they are given the signs do they believe?

--Those "doing the truth" (Jn. 3:21) will see the sign and believe in God's sent One (Jn. 2:11).

--Those who are lying (Jn. 8:38-47) won't "see" the sign and won't receive and believe in God's sent One (Jn. 5:38-47)

--In other words, the signs don't so much get unbelievers to become believers—it is not primarily a tool of evangelism. Rather the signs discern who really are or are not true believers in God.