

# Study QUESTIONS

## Ep. 1290: Is the Jewish Nation Really God's Chosen People?

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See:



1. What did God promise Abram in Genesis 12:1-3? What were the conditions to receive the promise? How did the promise change in Genesis 13:14-16? How did it grow in Genesis 22:15-18? What does it now foreshadow?
2. How does God change the promise when He reiterates it to Isaac? How did He customize it for Jacob? What is the key to being blessed? (See Genesis 26:2-4, 28:13-14, Galatians 3:16, 4:24-26, 1 Samuel 15:22)
3. Once Israel became the chosen nation, what were its choices? What was Joshua's stirring speech to Israel just before he died? Did Israel heed his warning? What was always a problem for Israel? What happened as a result of Elijah's faith and obedience? (See Amos 3:1-2, Joshua 24:14-15, 1 Samuel 8:19-20, 1 Kings 18:21-22,39)
4. What is your choice in this life? How can you make sure to choose to listen to God's word instead of listening to the noise and distractions of the world around you?
5. What did Israel do in Jesus' time to follow their Messiah? What was Jesus' denouncement in Matthew 23:37-39? What happened to Israel after this? Can you find the hint of a small thread of hope of a future blessing in these verses? (See John 1:24-30)
6. Explain how Jesus uses the symbol of the fig tree to show the problems in Israel during his ministry and for future prophecy. How does Jeremiah 16:9-13 predict that the Jews of Jesus' time were worse than their forefathers? How do verses 14-15 contrast the deliverance from Egypt with their future deliverance from all countries? When did this regathering begin for the Jewish people? (See Matthew 21:18-19)
7. What did Israel fail at during the life of Jesus? How did this failure greatly benefit the Gentiles? How did this failure bring a blessing to you? (See Romans 11:11-15)
8. How does the restoration of the fig tree (and all the trees) indicate Jesus' return? Why do we know this Old Testament prophecy applies to the Jews in the past and in the future? (See Luke 21:29-31, Romans 11:25-27, Isaiah 59:20-21)
9. Why does Jesus return? Contrast the Old (Law) Covenant with the New Covenant. (See Jeremiah 31:31-36) Describe what this eternal New Covenant between God and Israel will do for all resurrected humanity. What is the Day of Judgment? What do the vine and fig tree represent? (See Micah 4:1-4, Romans 11:33-36)
10. In your own words, what does the Abrahamic promise say? (See Genesis 22:17-18)