From Pastor's Desk

The Regathering of Israel!

(What does it have to do with you?)



"And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth." (Isaiah 11:12)

"For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land."

(Ezekiel 36:24)

By around 600BC, Israel and Judah were taken captive by the Assyrians and Babylon-ians. Allowed to return to Palestine under Persian King Cyrus 70 years later, the Jews rebuilt their temple, the city of Jerusalem, and the walls and gates around the city.

King Herod renovated the Temple during the time when Christ was on earth, but before Christ ascended into heaven, He pronounced that not one stone of the Temple would be left upon another (Matthew 24:1-2). That was around AD30.

In AD70, Titus and the Romans conquered Jerusalem, burned the city, and dismantled the temple stone by stone, to remove the gold embedded in it. Everything Jesus said came true!

The Jews were then dispersed completely throughout the world. This dispersion has lasted about 2,500 years. But today we are seeing the miraculous. The verses we read are being fulfilled. Consider these population statistics of Jews in Palestine:

1880 -	24,000	
1914 -	90,000	
1931 -	174,000	
1939 -	450,000	
1948* -	650,000	
1950 -	1,200,000	
1958 -	1,800,000	
1992 -	4,250,000	
2000 -	5.150,000	
2005 -	5,314,000	
2009 -	5,661,000	
2012 -	5,978,000	
2015 -	6,251,000	

* When Israel became a nation again

Almost half of all the Jews in the world are back in their own land. Why? Because God said this would happen in the last days. You can bank on God's Word.

If these are the last days, then our time is running out to work for Jesus. See the signs. If you are going to do something for God, do it now. Don't overlook this act of God.

"[W]hen ye shall see these things come to pass, know that it is nigh, even at the doors. Verily I say unto you, that this generation shall not pass, till all these things be done." (Mark 13:29-30).

- Pastor Kohl

