

**The Last Word on the Middle East**  
**TS025**

**God's Predetermined Purpose**  
**7009**

**I. To Re-Gather the Jewish People**

- A. Isaiah 11:10–14
  - 1. One scattering, one re-gathering
  - 2. A second scattering, a second re-gathering

**II. Restoration of Israel**

- A. Isaiah 43:1–7—Suggests the operation of a potter. God is prepared to go to great lengths to establish His will.
- B. Isaiah 44:1–3—First steps in restoration are natural and geographical. The objective, however, is spiritual.
- C. Isaiah 44:24–26—God will watch over His Word spoken through His prophets to perform it. Any word to the contrary will be destroyed.
- D. Isaiah 46:9–10—God says: “I will do all that I please.” We will do well to give heed.
- E. Jeremiah 16:14–16—The first exodus was from Egypt. The second exodus (still ongoing) is from the ends of the earth.
- F. Jeremiah 18:1–7—A potter shapes his moist clay through applied pressure—God is doing the same with Israel.
- G. Jeremiah 30:1–7—Part of the pressure will be “Jacob’s suffering” out of which Israel will be saved.
- H. Jeremiah 31:27–28—The Lord has brought the suffering. The Lord will bring the relief.
- I. Jeremiah 31:31–34—The re-gathering is associated with the making of a new covenant with Israel.
- J. Jeremiah 31:35–37—In spite of Israel’s rebellion, God will never change His commitment to Israel.
- K. Jeremiah 33:7–9—God will cleanse and forgive Israel.
- L. Ezekiel 36:22–32—God will keep His covenant with Israel to establish them in their own land, not because Israel deserves it, but because of God’s holy name and His great mercy
  - 1. He will establish them: politically in the land of Israel.
  - 2. He will establish them: spiritually—replacing the heart of stone with a heart of flesh.
- M. Amos 9:13–15—“I will plant Israel in their own land, never again to be uprooted from the land I have given them,” says the Lord your God.

**III. Who Owns the Land**

- A. Psalm 24:1—The earth belongs to God
- B. Ezekiel 38:16—Israel belongs to God
- C. Joel 3:1–2—The Lord’s land, the Lord’s people
- D. Genesis 17:7–8—Covenant with Abraham
- E. Genesis 26:3–4—Covenant with Isaac—confirming His oath with Abraham

- F. Genesis 35:11–12—Covenant with Jacob who became Israel—reaffirming the land would be theirs
- G. Psalm 105:7–11—God carries out what He has determined in every part of the earth.
- H. Jeremiah 30:2–3—God will restore Israel to the land given to their forefathers.
- I. Ezekiel 36:17—It was Israel’s land, but they defiled it and lost it. It was still their land while they were disobedient.
- J. Ezekiel 36:24—The same land to which Israel will be restored.
- K. Amos 9:15—Restored to their own land never again to be uprooted.

#### **IV. Boundaries for All the Nations**

- A. Deuteronomy 32:8—Israel received its land first—all other nations then received theirs.
- B. Acts 17:26—God has determined the location for all nations beginning with Israel.
  - 1. If Israel is not rightly placed, neither will any other nation be rightly located.
  - 2. When Israel is out of place, there is disorder in the world. There will be no peace in the world until Israel is properly reconciled both to its land and to God who gave it.

## **Our Response to God’s Purpose 7010**

### **I. Align Ourselves with God’s Purpose**

- A. Psalm 33:8–12
  - 1. Nations who choose the Lord are blessed
  - 2. The nation chosen by the Lord is blessed
  - 3. The nations have a choice
  - 4. Israel does not have a choice
- B. 1 John 2:17—The man who does the will of God abides forever

### **II. God’s Purpose**

- A. Proclaim—Jeremiah 31:7, 8, 10: He who scattered Israel, will gather them
- B. Comfort—Isaiah 40:1–8
  - 1. Who is to comfort? – the Christians
  - 2. Who are to be comforted? – Israel, God’s chosen
  - 3. Why? – The command of the Lord – to prepare the Way for His return
- C. Pray
  - 1. Jeremiah 31:7—Sing, shout, praise, proclaim and pray—“save the remnant of Israel”
  - 2. Psalm 122:6—For the peace of Jerusalem, they will prosper that love thee
  - 3. Isaiah 62:6–7—Remembrances, watchmen on the walls, not silent day or night
  - 4. Psalm 102:12–16—It is time to show her favor, the appointed time has come
  - 5. Luke 18:7—God will bring about justice for His chosen ones, who cry out day and night
  - 6. Eph. 6:14–17—Prayer is spiritual warfare—requires protective equipment

7. Psalm 125:3—Against the powers of Islam—having all the signs of antichrist (1 John 2:18, 19, 22). Islam originated out of the Judeo/Christian heritage.
8. The scepter of the wicked will not remain over the land allotted to the righteous
9. Psalm 129:5—May all who hate Zion be turned back in shame
10. Psalm 55:9—Confuse the wicked and divide their tongue, O Lord

**V. Final Warning**

- A. Isaiah 60:12—God judges the nations by their attitudes toward Israel
- B. Jeremiah 30:16–17—The enemies of Israel will go into exile; they will be plundered
- C. Matthew 25:31–46—Last parable of Jesus—What you did to the least of these My brethren (Israel) you did to Me.

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