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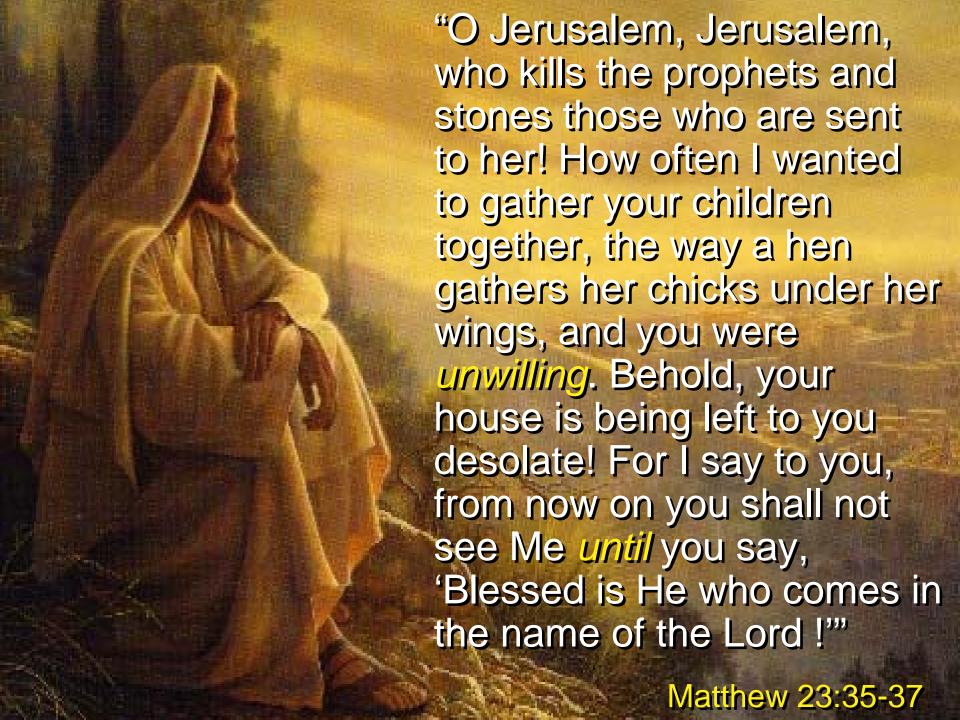
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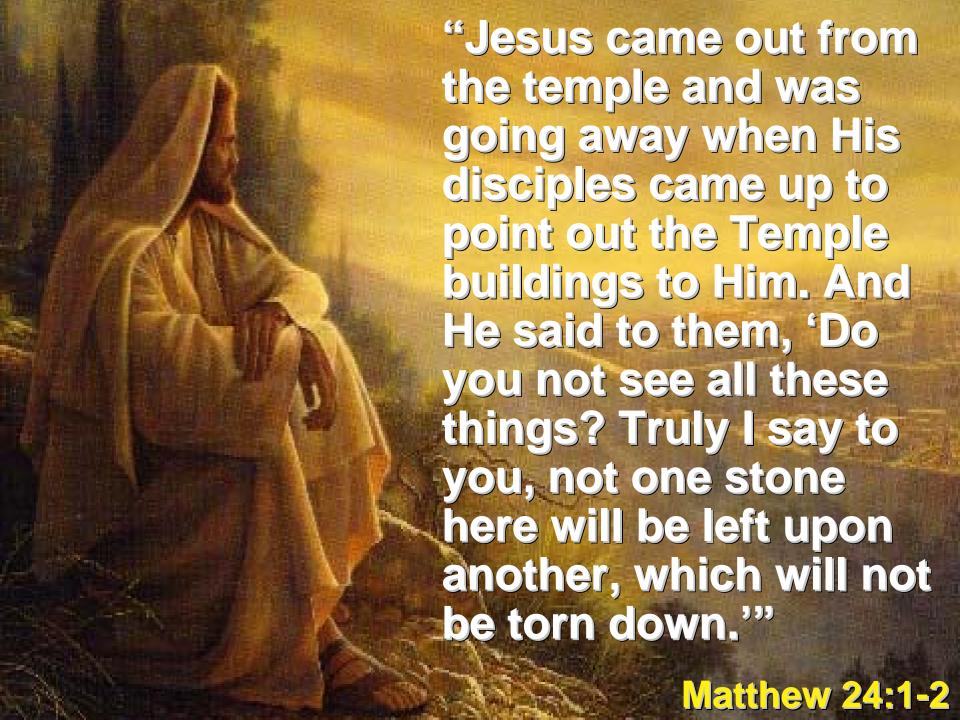
Josephus, Wars of the Jews 2:278

The first Jewish revolt was from AD 66–70.

Jerusalem was conquered.

The Temple was destroyed.

A few zealots under Eliezer ben Judas held out at the desert fortress of Masada





The final revolt was the Bar-Kochba revolt in 135. Rabbi Akiba presented him as the Messiah.

580,000 followers were massacred at Betar and Hadrian implemented a massive campaign of destruction, renamed the land *Palestine*, and Jerusalem *Aelia Capitolina*.

Still, Jews remained in the Land ...

# Did you know? JEWS HAVE LIVED CONTINUOUSLY IN THE LAND OF ISRAEL FOR THE **PAST 2,000 YEARS!**

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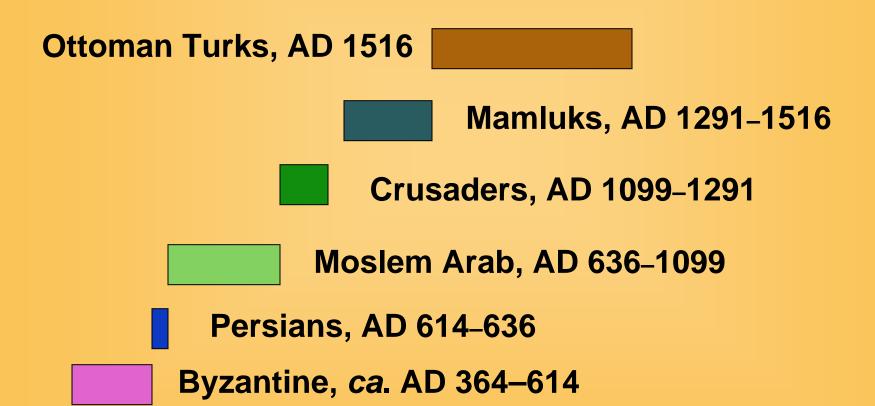
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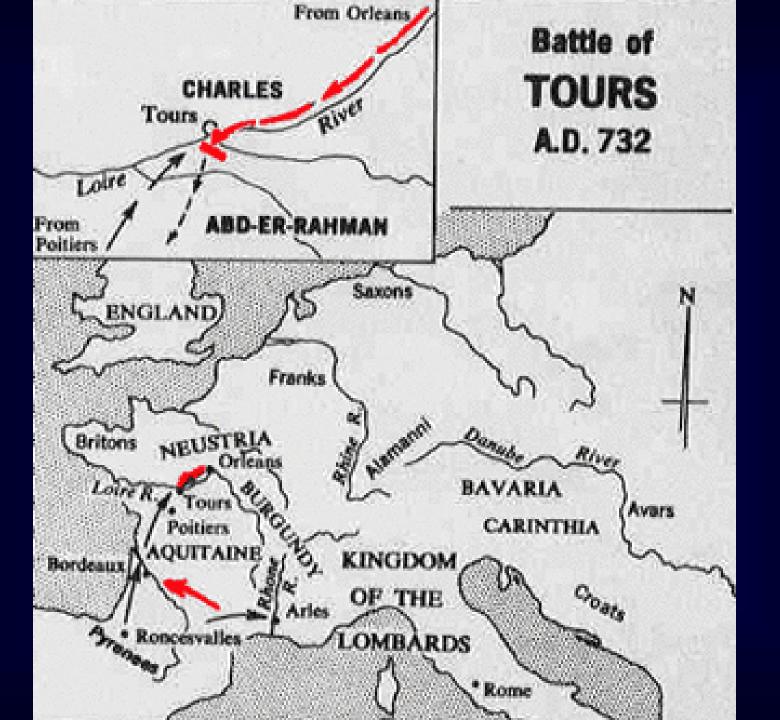
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- 6. The Abassid Caliphate (758–1258)
- 7. 1099 The Latin period, the Crusades.
- 8. 1187–1193 Saladin died.
- 9. 1291–1516 Time of the Mamluks

#### **Ottoman Turks: 1517–1918**





"Starting with the Puritan ascendancy the movement among the English for the return of the Jews to Palestine began."

Barbara Tuchman, The Bible and the Sword

- **☼** Study of Hebrew
- Translation of the Bible into English
- **★ Learning Old Testament Stories**
- **⇔** Puritans Develop Judeo-Christian
- **☼ Bible Study Produces Millennialism**



### Francis Kett, d. 1589

Cambridge: B.A., 1569; M.A., 1573

**Both a Pastor and Medical Doctor** 

The Glorious and Beautiful Garland of Mans Glorification Containing the Godly Misterie of Heavenly Jerusalem.

Kett mentioned, "the notion of Jewish national return to Palestine."

Burned at the stake on January 15, 1589 in Norwich for advocating in his book the Restoration of the Jews to Israel, an idea he claimed to have received from reading the Bible.

About the same time as Kett, strict Calvinist, Edmund Bunny (1540–1619) taught the Jewish restoration to Palestine in a couple of books: The Scepter of Ivday (1584) and The Coronation of David (1588).

As the 1600s arrived, a flurry of books advocating Jewish restoration to their land began to appear. **Thomas Draxe** released in 1608 *The Worldes Resurrection:* On the general calling of the Jews, A familiar Commentary upon the eleventh Chapter of Saint Paul to the Romaines, according to the sense of Scripture. Draxe argued for Israel's restoration based upon his Calvinism and Covenant Theology.

Two great giants of their era were Thomas Brightman (1552-1607), (likely a Postmillennialist) and Premillennialist Joseph Mede (1586–1638) who both wrote boldly of a future restoration of Israel. Brightman's work, Revelation of the Revelation appeared in 1609 and told "how the Jews will return from the areas North and East of Palestine to Jerusalem and how the Holy Land and the Jewish Christian church will become the centre of a Christian world."

Brightman wrote: "What, shall they return to Jerusalem again? There is nothing more certain; the prophets do everywhere confirm it."

Joseph Mede, often thought of as the father of English premillennialism was also an ardent advocate of Jewish restoration to their homeland. Momentum was certainly building toward widespread acceptance of English belief in Jewish restoration, but a few bumps in the road still lay ahead.

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Joseph Mede's contribution was released in 1627 in Latin and in 1642 in English as The Key of the Revelation.



John Owen

Many Puritans of the seventeenth century taught the restoration of the Jews to the Holy Land. One of the greatest Puritan theologians in **England was John Owen** who wrote, "The Jews shall be gathered from all parts of the earth where they are scattered, and brought home (1616-1683) into their homeland."

The following list of seventeenth century English individuals held to Restorationist views: John Milton, John Bunyan, Roger Williams, John Sadler and Oliver Cromwell.

The doctrine of the restoration of the Jews continued to be expounded in England, evolving according to the insight of each exponent and finally playing a role in Christian Zionistic activities in the latter part of the nineteenth and in the first of the twentieth centuries.



Cromwell's official document returning the Jews to England.

There were a number of Restorationists in Holland during the time of the Puritan movement.

Isaac de la Peyrere (1594–1676), who served as the French Ambassador to Denmark wrote a book wherein he argued for a restoration of the Jews to Israel without conversion to Christianity.

## Colonial America

In addition to John Cotton (1584–1652), early Restorationists included: John Davenport (1597–1670), William Hooke (1601–1678), John Eliot (1604– 1690), Samuel Willard (1640–1707), and Samuel Sewall (1652-1730). Ephraim Huit, a Cambridge trained early minister in Windsor, Connecticut believed that the Jews would be regathered to their homeland in 1650.



Increase Mather (1639–1723)

One of the standout advocates of the restoration doctrine was Increase Mather, the son of Richard and father of Cotton. Increase wrote over 100 books in his life & was a president of Harvard. His first work was The Mystery of Israel's Salvation, which went through about a half dozen revisions during his life. His support of the national restoration of Israel to her land in the future was typical of American Colonial Puritans and was generally widespread.

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It was Increase Mather's view that this final and greatest reformation of the Christian world would be led by the Jewish people ensuing upon their restoration to the Holy Land. From the earliest times, American Christianity has always tilted toward support of the restoration of national Israel in the Holy Land. American Christians, when compared with Euro-Asian Christianity has always had a philo-Semitic disposition. Thus, it is not surprising that this tradition continues today, especially in dispensational circles.