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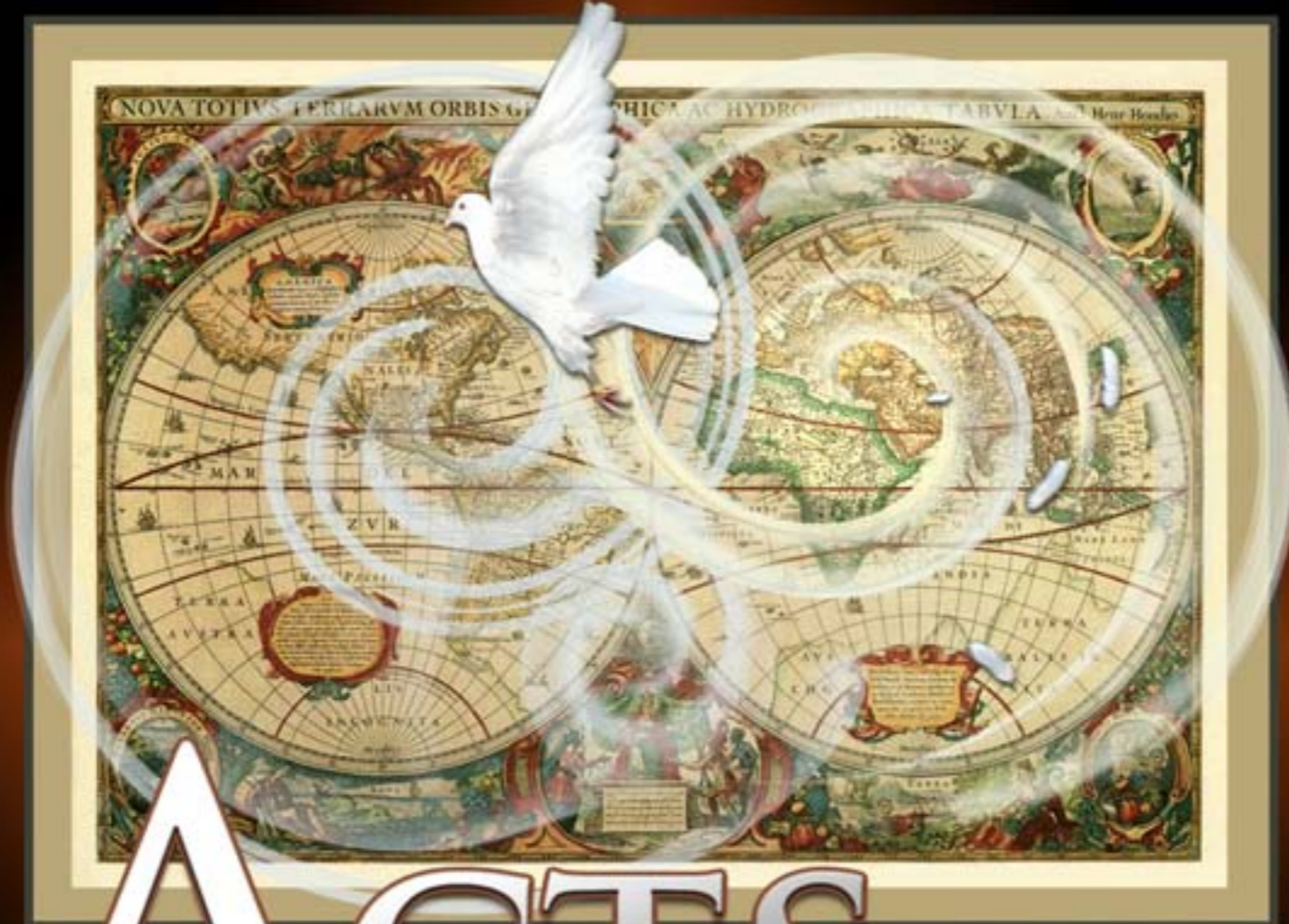
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ACTS

OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
THE CHURCH AGE BEGINS

TO THE UTTERMOST PART OF THE EARTH
ACTS 28:17–31



ITALIA

ADRIATIC SEA

MACEDONIA

THRACE

Rome

Forum of Appius

Three Taverns

Puteoli

Thessalonica

TYRRHENIAN SEA

IONIAN SEA

AEGEAN SEA

Sicily

Rhegium

Syracuse

Athens

Corinth

Adramytti

ASIA

Ephesus

Cnidus

Malta

MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Phoenix

Fair Havens

Crete

Cauda

Lasea

Cape Salmone

Leptis Magna

Cyrene

SEA

TRIPOLITANIA

Syrtis Major

CYRENAICA

Acts 28:17, “And it came to pass after three days that Paul called the leaders of the Jews together. So when they had come together, he said to them: ‘Men and brethren, though I have done nothing against our people or the customs of our fathers, yet I was delivered as a prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans,

Acts 28:18, “who, when they had examined me, wanted to let me go, because there was no cause for putting me to death.”

Acts 28:19, “But when the Jews spoke against it, I was compelled to appeal to Caesar, not that I had anything of which to accuse my nation.

Acts 28:20, “For this reason therefore I have called for you, to see you and speak with you, because for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain.”

Acts 23:6, “But when Paul perceived that one part were Sadducees and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, ‘Men and brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee; concerning the hope and resurrection of the dead I am being judged!’ ”

Acts 26:6, “And now I stand and am judged for the hope of the promise made by God to our fathers.

Acts 26:7, “To this promise our twelve tribes, earnestly serving God night and day, hope to attain. For this hope’s sake, King Agrippa, I am accused by the Jews.”

Acts 28:21, “Then they said to him, ‘We neither received letters [official documents] from Judea concerning you, nor have any of the brethren who came reported or spoken any evil of you.’ ”

Acts 28:22, “But we desire to hear from you what you think; for concerning this sect, we know that it is spoken against everywhere.”

Acts 28:23, “So when they had appointed him a day, many came to him at his lodging, to whom he explained and solemnly testified of the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus from both the Law of Moses and the Prophets, from morning till evening.”

**ἐκτίθημι *ektithēmi*
imperf mid indic 3 sing
to explain, expose, make
public**

**διαμαρτύρομαι
diamarturomai
pres mid part
masc sing nom
to testify, declare
solemnly**

Acts 1:3, “to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God.”

Acts 1:4, “And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, ‘which,’ He said, ‘you have heard from Me;

Acts 1:5, “ ‘for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.’”

Acts 1:6, “Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, ‘Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?’ ”

Acts 8:12, “But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized.”

Acts 14:21, “And when they had preached the gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch,

Acts 14:22, “strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, ‘We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God.’ ”

Acts 19:8, “And he went into the synagogue and spoke boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading concerning the things of the kingdom of God.”

Acts 20:25, “And indeed, now I know that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, will see my face no more.”

Maimonides on What the Messiah Will Do When He Comes

- Restore the throne of David
- Rebuild the Temple
- Gather the exiles
- Restore the Torah
- He will be a descendent of David
- He does not have to perform signs or wonders
- He will be a student of Torah
- He will force Israel to study Torah
- He will fight the wars of the Lord
- Elijah will come before Messiah
- The battle of Gog and Magog will precede the Messiah
- Messiah will purify the priesthood and Levites
- Messiah will identify those who are truly of Israel
- Messiah will identify the tribes of Israel
- In Messiah's reign there will be no hunger or wars
- In Messiah's reign all will study the Lord



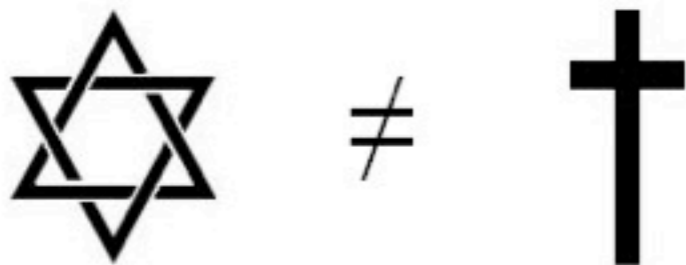
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Why Don't Jews Believe In Jesus?



Jewish Beliefs About Jesus And Jews For Jesus

For 2,000 years, Jews have rejected the Christian idea of Jesus as messiah. Why?

It is important to understand why Jews don't believe in Jesus. The purpose is not to disparage other religions, but rather to clarify the Jewish position. The more data that is available, the better-informed choices people can make about their spiritual path.

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by Rabbi Shraga Simmons

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In the wake of Mel Gibson's phenomenally successful film and the production company's ambitious plans to market the film worldwide to "the faithless,"

1) JESUS DID NOT FULFILL THE MESSIANIC PROPHECIES

What is the Messiah supposed to accomplish? The Bible says that he will:

A. Build the Third Temple (Ezekiel 37:26-28).

B. Gather all Jews back to the Land of Israel (Isaiah 43:5-6).

C. Usher in an era of world peace, and end all hatred, oppression, suffering and disease. As it says: "Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall man learn war anymore." (Isaiah 2:4)

D. Spread universal knowledge of the God of Israel, which will unite humanity as one. As it says: "God will be King over all the world—on that day, God will be One and His Name will be One" (Zechariah 14:9).

The historical fact is that Jesus fulfilled none of these messianic prophecies.

The main predictions concerning the Messiah are that he will bring peace to the world, gather the Jewish people from their exile to the land of Israel and rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem. After Jesus' appearance, the Temple was destroyed, the Jews were exiled all over the world and we have not even had one day of peace in the past 2,000 years. (Many of the wars in fact were started and fought by followers of Jesus) These events are enough to show that he was not the messiah.

Reasons Jews Do Not Accept Jesus as Messiah

Rescue Israel from its enemies.

Regather Israel from the nations.

Reunite Israel's twelve tribes.

Redeem Israel spiritually.

Restore Israel's fortunes in the Land.

Reverse Israel's place among the nations.

Rebuild Israel's Temple.

Reign over Israel as King.

Rule over the earth in peace.

Renew Jerusalem as the center of worship.

Acts 28:24, “And some were persuaded by the things which were spoken, and some disbelieved.”

πείθω *peithō*

**pres act part masc sing
nom**

to persuade;

ἀπιστέω *apisteō*

**imperf act indic 3 plur
to disbelieve, distrust**

Acts 28:25, “So when they did not agree among themselves, they departed after Paul had said one word: ‘The Holy Spirit spoke rightly through Isaiah the prophet to our fathers,’ ”

Acts 28:26, “saying, ‘Go to this people and say: “Hearing you will hear, and shall not understand; And seeing you will see, and not perceive;

Acts 28:27, “ ‘ “For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, And their eyes they have closed, Lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, So that I should heal them.” ’ ”

Acts 28:28, “Therefore let it be known to you that the salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will hear it!”

Acts 28:29, “And when he had said these words, the Jews departed and had a great dispute among themselves.

Acts 28:30, “Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him,”

Acts 28:31, “preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him.”

κηρύσσω *kērussō*

**pres act part masc sing nom
to proclaim, preach**