

8 REASONS WHY WE ISRAEL



1. GOD LOVES ISRAEL

- God is love.
- God's love for the marginalized is shown through Israel, the smallest nation and we continue to see His love for the marginalized through the rest of the Bible (David and Goliath, the poor, the widows, lepers). [Deuteronomy 7:7–8](#), [Psalm 35:10](#), [Mark 1:41–42](#)
- God's love to Israel is a picture of the gospel. [1 John 4:8](#), [Psalm 103:17–18](#), [1 Kings 10:9](#), [Jeremiah 31:3–4](#)



2. GOD CHOSE ISRAEL

- God has a covenant nature.
 - God choosing Israel is a picture of his covenant nature.
 - He is a covenant, keeping God. [Deuteronomy 7:9](#), [2 Samuel 7:24](#), [1 Chronicles 17:22](#), [2 Timothy 2:13](#)
- God made a covenant with Abraham.
 - God made a covenant to bless Abraham and multiply his offspring.
 - Abraham is the father of all nations. [Genesis 22:16–18](#), [Romans 4:16–18](#)
- God made a covenant with mankind.
 - This covenant is available to all who believe in God's son, Jesus. [John 6:35–40](#)
 - God chooses us first. [Ephesians 1:4](#)



3. ISRAEL IS GOD'S FIRST BORN SON

- God is a good Father.
 - Israel models a relationship with God the Father. [Exodus 4:21–23](#), [Romans 9:25–26](#), [Galatians 4:6](#), [Romans 8:16](#)
- God wants a relationship with us.
 - Our relationship with God deepens when we understand his covenant relationship to his children. [Isaiah 63:16](#), [Matthew 6:9](#), [Romans 9:4](#)



4. WE ARE ALL ONE FAMILY

- God's heart is unity. [Ephesians 3:5–6](#), [Romans 1:16](#), [Romans 3:29–30](#)
 - God wants Jews and Gentiles to be one family. [Ephesians 2:11–18](#)
- Adoption into God's family is available for the Gentiles.
 - Rm 8:15, Eph 1:5, Gal 4:5
 - God welcomes Gentiles into the covenant He made with Israel. [Acts 10–11](#), [Romans 11:11](#), [Romans 11:25–29](#)
- The Lord will save Israel with eternal salvation. [Isaiah 45:17](#), [Romans 11:12–15](#), [Romans 11:26](#), [Matthew 23:39](#)



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5. THROUGH THE JEWISH PEOPLE CAME JESUS

- Jesus is a Jew
 - His lineage is from the tribe of Judah. [Revelation 5:5](#), [Revelation 22:16](#), [Isaiah 11:1–5](#), [Matthew 1:17–21](#)
- Jesus is a symbol of the covenant between God and Israel. [Isaiah 42:6](#), [Romans 9:4–5](#), [Acts 13:23](#)
- God brought to Israel the Savior, Jesus.
 - Salvation comes through the Jews. [John 4:22](#), [Luke 2:32](#), [Acts 13:22–23](#)



6. ISRAEL PRESERVES GOD'S WORD

- The Bible is written by Jewish people for Jewish people. [Deuteronomy 4:7–8](#), [Romans 3:1–2](#)
 - Israel is a testimony to the truth of the scripture.
- God's word has been given to us through Israel. [Psalm 147:19–20](#), [Romans 9:4](#)
 - By preserving God's word, we have all the prophecies of Jesus.
 - The coming of Christ fulfills the Old Testament.



7. ISRAEL IS GOD'S LAND

- The Land belongs to God. [Psalm 87:1–3](#), [Psalm 24:1](#), [Joel 3:2](#)
- The Lord blesses Jerusalem.
 - God asks us to pray for Jerusalem. [Isaiah 62](#), [Psalm 122:6](#), [Psalm 87:5–6](#)
 - God brings judgment upon those who war against Jerusalem. [Zechariah 14:12](#), [Joel 3:1–2](#)
- Jesus will return to the land of Israel. [Zechariah 14](#)



8. ISRAEL REVEALS GOD

- Jewish culture reveals God.
 - The Jewish feasts reveal God's timing and prophetic calendar. We celebrate and embrace the Jewish culture, which leads us closer to the God of Israel. [Isaiah 33:20–21](#), [Leviticus 23](#)
- Israel reveals God's sovereignty.
 - God's sovereignty is displayed through his choices with Israel. [Psalm 47:8](#), [1 Timothy 6:15](#), [Isaiah 46:8–13](#)
- Israel reveals kingdom culture.
 - God will reign as King of Israel forever. He promised the kingdom to the house of Israel. [Luke 1:32–33](#)
- Israel is a witness of God. [Isaiah 43:10–11](#)
 - Israel makes God's existence known to the nations. [Ezekiel 36:23](#)
 - Israel is a living testimony to all of God's promises fulfilled to them.
- Israel reveals God's holiness.
 - He chose to give His land to Israel to show His Holiness. [Ezekiel 36:16–28](#), [Psalm 105:7–11](#), [Jeremiah 30:3](#)

