

# FERTILITY AND FRUITFULNESS

- All of Israel (including foreigners) were present for Moses' sermon
- God promises to do to Israel what He did to Egypt if they fall away from The Covenant
- The land would suffer from Israel's apostasy
- Any time the Jews have been gone from the land, the land has turned fallow



# WHY DID THIS HAPPEN TO ISRAEL?



- Same format used in God's threats as was common for Kings in that day to threaten vassal states
- Difference is that King's threats were meant to control and instill fear; God's threats were a prophetic warning
- Even the foreigner will ask "Why?" did Israel's God do this to His people

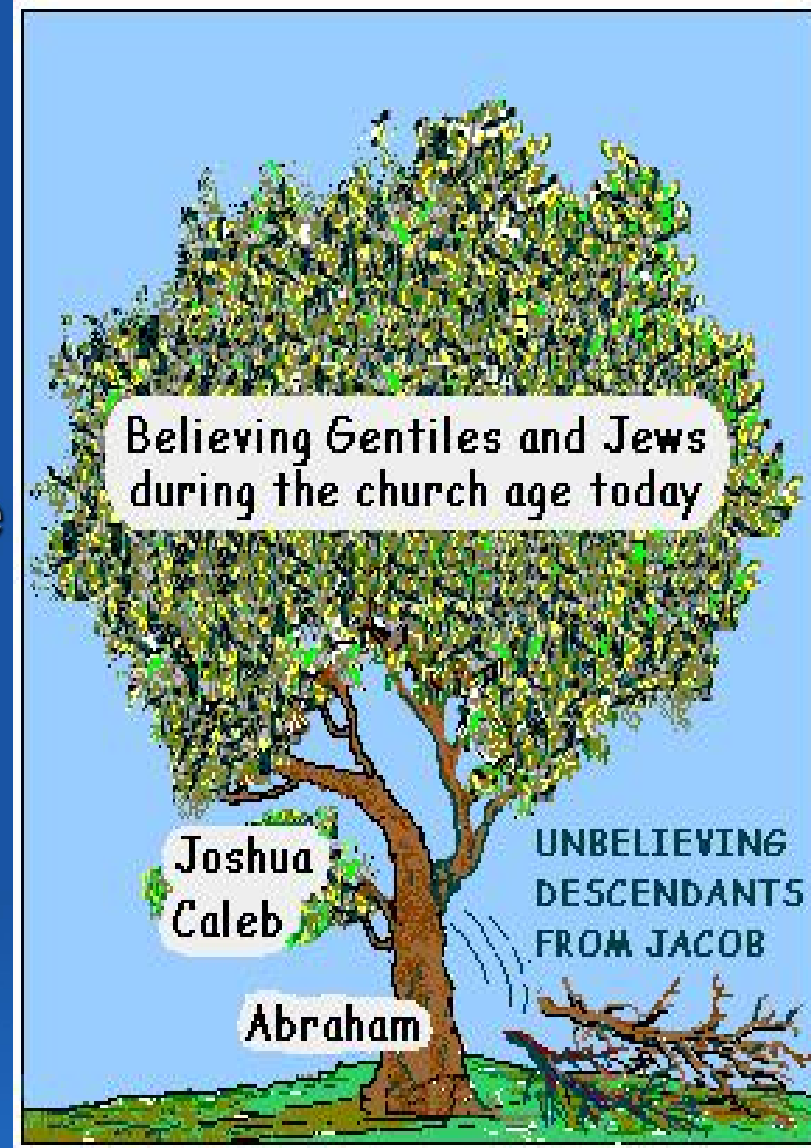
# REBELLION CAN FEEL NORMAL

- In the Inquisition the belief was the Church was doing God's work of rooting out Heretics and killing Jews
- What is the meaning of this furious anger of God?
- Matt:7:22 *"....Lord didn't we prophesy in your name?.....I never knew you!"*
- Workers of lawlessness means workers of Torah-lessness
- It means people who are disobedient to God's laws, not civil laws

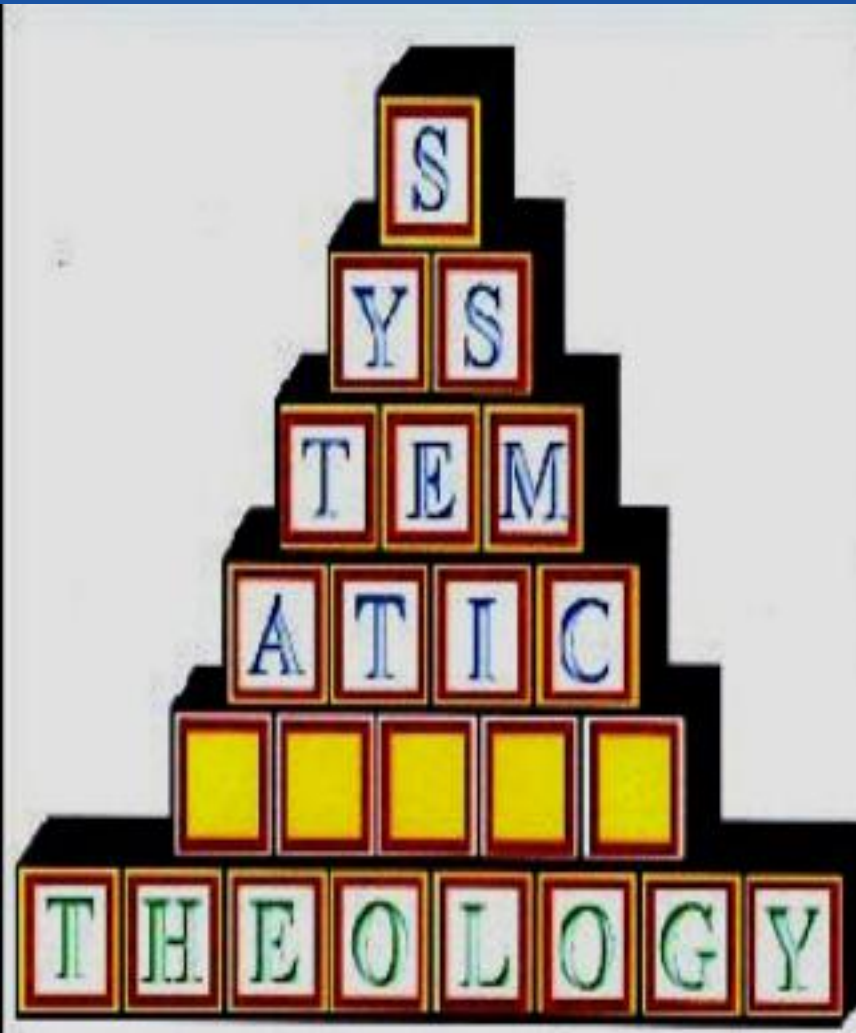


# ISRAEL SERVED THINGS NOT ASSIGNED TO THEM

- People who *seemed* like they were in good standing with the Lord were removed from the Promised Land
- Romans 11: “.....*maintain yourself in (God’s) kindness....or you too will be cut off!*”
- Redemption was reversed because *people* walked away from their redemption

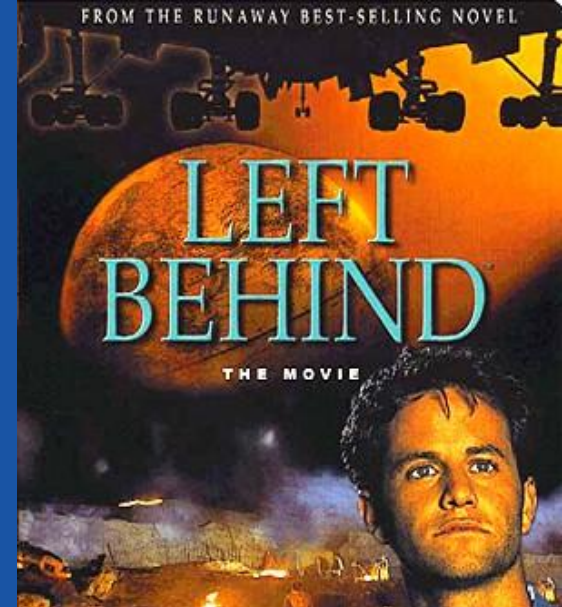


# THE HIDDEN THINGS AND THE REVEALED THINGS



- The revealed things are in the Word of God (Scripture)
- The Torah was tossed aside and we have had bad results
- Thomas Scott: “ *Almost all heresies and controversies ...originated from vain attempts by.....church authorities....to fill up supposed chasms in God’s Scriptures....*”
- Systematic theologies and faith doctrines formed to have a ready answer for every theological and social question

# INFATUATED WITH THE FUTURE



- We've taken our eye off the ball
- Too many theological theories about the future have become hard, fast denominational doctrines
- We must regain contentment with the REVEALED THINGS and leave the HIDDEN THINGS in God's hands

## MID-TRIBULATIONAL RAPTURE

The rapture in this view will occur in the middle of the 70th week.



### THE TRIBULATION

7 YEARS ( The 70th week of Daniel )

This view embraces God's wrath to be 7 years

The Church Age

Gods Wrath

THE RAPTURE

3 1/2 YEARS

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The Anti-Christ Signs Covenant

The Abomination of Desolation





# THE DANGER IN PURSUING THE UNREVEALED

- Jewish religious authorities painted their own picture about the coming Messiah
- Certain that they were right, they taught the Jewish people to believe their views
- When Yeshua came most of the Jews missed it because He didn't fit the manmade mold!
- Isaac Newton: Prophecy is not to see the future, it is to look back and see God's faithfulness



# DEUTERONOMY CHAPTER 30: RETURN AND RESTORATION

- *Shuv* = turn, re-turn
- If Israel will turn from its apostasy God will return them to the Land
- The Curse of the Law IS NOT the Law itself!!
- If, while in exile, Israel will return to the Torah with all their heart and soul, He will give them a new start





# GOD WILL GO TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH TO RETURN 1 HEBREW

- Repentance and a desire to obey God is different than wanting God to simply change our circumstances
- OT parallels NT in Matt. 15:3
- Lord will return anyone to the Kingdom of God who turns from their sin



# TO LOVE GOD COMPLETELY TAKES DIVINE INTERVENTION



- Heart = Mind in the Bible
- Until 400 A.D. people believed that thinking took place in the heart organ
- Love is a decision
- It is an act of our brains, our minds
- The EMOTION of love is a result of our decision to love

# IT'S ALWAYS THE GENTILES

- *Goyim* = nations, gentiles
- The Lord uses wicked nations to punish Israel, and then punishes the wicked nation !!
- The PURPOSE of using the gentiles is to get Israel to repent and return to God
- This pattern is also presented by Paul in Romans 11
- God uses gentiles as a carrot and a stick
- Carrot = bringing the Good News to the Jews in love
- Stick = oppression by enemies



# CHOOSE LIFE!!



- Vs. 11 This Command (Law) is not too hard for you.....
- The Torah is revealed, intelligible, and accessible
- It is doable and God expects it to be done
- **THE CHOICE:**  
life and prosperity or  
death and adversity
- 1) Trust God
- 2) Live by Biblical principles
- 3) Obey His commands