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Introduction

The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, who revealed Himself through the written word of the Bible, has ordained by His sovereign choice a people to be His people in order to fulfill a special plan and purpose. That has never changed!

That clearly identified people, in both the Old and New Covenant Scriptures, still exist today. Who are they?

This book, *Identifying Biblical Israel Today: The Evidence*, naturally follows the first book, *Discover the Story of Your Biblical Heritage*.[1] In Book One, we discovered that the Bible is the story of:

- Abraham's physical descendants to whom the unconditional covenant promises to Abraham were given;
- The people with whom the Old Covenant through Moses was made and the people who were the recipients of the New Covenant in Jesus Christ;
- The Israelites who were represented by the house of Judah in the south, often referred to as "Jews," and the house of Israel in the north, who became the "nations" or "Gentiles."

The identification of the physical descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is consistent throughout the Old and New Covenant Scriptures.

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[1] If you have not read and understood Book One, *Discover the Story of Your Biblical Heritage*, STOP. You will not understand the significance of this book until you have grasped Book One. So, if you haven't read Book One, or need to re-read it again, please do so now before you proceed to Book Two. Thank you.

This book, Book Two, traces the identity of these people in respect to who they are today through the evidences from history.

This book will present historical documentation addressing the true identity of the Jews today who are commonly referred to as, and presumed to be, "Israel." Included also is an introduction to the religion of the Jews called Judaism.

Are the Jews today the descendants of the Old Covenant Israelites? And is Judaism consistent with, and does it conform to, the teachings of the Bible?

The significance of this book is critically important. Why? We need to know who the rightful heirs of the covenant promises given to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are. We need to know which people are the divinely-declared beneficiaries of the New Covenant in Jesus Christ. Are they the people who call themselves "Jews" today or are they someone else? It is our hope and intention that the evidence presented herein will help you make a determination about the identity of biblical Israel that is true, correct and certain.

God has chosen a people for Himself for the purpose of taking dominion and ruling in righteousness and justice, establishing peace and order. Honestly, is that what we have now – peace and order in the world? Everything is in chaos. Something is wrong. Perhaps there has been a misidentification of the true Israelite people today.

If the true biblical Israelites don't know who they are, how can they realize the significance of God's calling on them as individuals and as a people? How can they understand what their sacred heritage and destiny is, as well as fulfill their significant duties and responsibilities as God's covenant people?

We hope this book will help clarify the identity of the biblical Israelites today. Our prayer is that the knowledge this book reveals will help solidify your conclusion. You may even discover your own biblical birthright, heritage, purpose and destiny.

Summary of the

Covenant Heritage Series

The *Covenant Heritage Series* is a set of seven books that will help you understand what the Bible says and what it means to you in regard to your heritage. The series examines the current critical issues of our time in light of what the Bible says. Finally, it offers biblical answers for transforming this world system back to God's original plan and purpose.

You will be challenged to re-examine what the majority consensus believes about the teaching of Scripture and the politically correct and religiously acceptable life perspectives and practices. The *Covenant Heritage Series* will provoke you to think! In the end, you will be able to decide for yourself what your ultimate purpose is and your consequential duties and obligations before the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

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