THE THREE TRIBES OF JUDAH

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If you are among the many who never realized there are three different tribes of Judah, don't feel bad for most of the clergy are not aware of that fact either! Strange that such should be the case, for it's their responsibility to understand, and teach such things! By accepting compensation under such false pretense, they fall under a most dishonorable Biblical category of "hireling." One may not realize it, but our Bibles don't speak very highly of those who identify themselves as "pastor" or "shepherd" under such circumstances. Isaiah 56:10 exposes them thusly:

"10 His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. 11 Yea, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own way, every one for his gain, from his quarter."

One may very quickly detect whether or not a pastor or priest is qualified for his office when, for instance, he makes the statement "Abraham the Jew." This type of verbalization is preposterous, for Abraham was the great-grandfather of Judah! The next time you hear a so-called minister make such an unqualified remark, you can mark it down in your book that he isn't the Bible scholar he pretends to be! It then becomes your Biblical duty to muzzle that "dumb dog" and challenge him to explain how such a thing could be! After all, he, by accepting your money (your life's blood), is using you to proliferate his false statements. Not only that, but by declining to reprove him, you become part and parcel of his untruthfulness and become as guilty as he.

Another situation that should start waving red flags in one's mind is when a minister or priest starts using the terms "Jew" and "Israel" interchangeably! The "House of Judah" is not the "House of Israel", and the "House of Israel" is not the "House of Judah", but must be differentiated! Such unqualified verbiage exposes either their ignorance or subversion concerning Biblical matters! The object of this paper is to show what the clergy has failed to reveal: namely that there are three different houses within the Tribe of Judah.

It would appear the only way we are going to make any logic out of this confusion is to go back to the beginning of the story of Judah. According to Gen. 29:35, we are told Judah was the fourth son of Jacob-Israel. Judah, we are informed, married a Canaanite woman by the name of Bathshuah. By her, Judah had three sons: Er,

Onan and Shelah. The Almighty destroyed Er and Onan, leaving only Shelah. Upon the death of Judah's wife, Bathshuah, Judah's intended daughter-in-law, Tamar, dressed up like a whore and enticed Judah who fathered a set of twins by her, named Pharez and Zerah. Because Judah was an eligible widower and Tamar was unwed (marriage not consummated with Er or Onan), the union could not be considered illicit. From the Pharez line came our Messiah. Thus, there were three branches of Judah, (1) Pharez, (2) Zerah, and (3) Shelah. Therefore there were Pharez-Judahites; Zerah-Judahites and Shelanite-Judahites.

Among their other hybridizations, most, but not all, of the Judaean scribes, Pharisees and Sadducees at Messiah's time were more closely genetically related to the Shelanite-Judahites from Judah's first wife, Bathshuah the Canaanite. This demands yet another important question be asked: who, then, were the Canaanites?

"Canaan" is the name of the fourth son of Ham on whom Noah placed a curse. Being cursed, Canaan was exiled from his family and consequently mingled among other tribes and eventually became ten interrelated and racially- mixed nations, listed at Genesis 15:19-21 as:

(1) Kenites, (2) Kenizzites, (3) Kadmonites, (4) Hittites, (5) Perrizzites, (6) Rephaims, (7) Amorites, (8) Canaanites, (9) Girgashites, (10) Jebusites.

Since the Kenites are mentioned first, let's see who they were. Checking the *Strong's Concordance*, we find the Kenites listed as #7017. Going to the *Strong's* Hebrew dictionary under #7017 and #7014, we discover the Kenites are descendants of, and named after, Cain. Thus, we find the scribe/Pharisee/Sadducee/Shelanite/Judahites at the time of our Messiah, were actually of the cursed bloodline of Cain. What a sticky-wicket this has turned out to be! Few there are who are aware of this not-so-well-known fact!

Is it possible that Messiah was correct when He accused the Shelanite-Judahite Pharisees and Sadducees of being guilty of all the righteous blood from Abel to Zacharias; Matthew 23:35 and Luke 11:51? If this is true, we have an entirely different kind of situation going on in our world today than the majority of people are aware.

Thus, it is safe to conclude that the Shelanite-Judahites are not the Zerah-Judahites, and the Zerah-Judahites are not the Pharez-Judahites! Nor are the Pharez or Zerah Judahites to be identified with the Shelanite-Judahites! From this, it should be quite clear the spuriousness of lumping all of Judah into one basket. Yet this is exactly what the majority of the mainstream clergy do. In addition to combining the three tribes of Judah together under one category, they also dump the **House** of Judah and the **House** of Israel into one basket! Thus, they make the entire thing one giant conglomeration of confusion! With such incompetence, it would be a miracle if we got anything in its proper historical order.

In considering the Zerah-Judah branch we have strong classical, secular evidence of their migrations, in addition to that found in Holy Writ. I will now quote from a book entitled *Father Abraham's Children*, by Perry Edward Powell, Ph. D., pages 98-101:

"Let us put it in a different way, here is the beginning of royalty. What else does scepter mean? Judah led in the conquest of Canaan and received the first and choicest

portion. David raised it to pre-eminence over the tribes and the nations. He is the first king of the Judah-Pharez line, and he did not appear for seven hundred years. Was there and is there an older line of royalty? The answer is, Yes. The Judah-Zerah [line] was royal from the beginning. The two royalties are now merged and have been for centuries in the British [Covenant people] royal house. And how long shall we have royalty? 'Until Shiloh comes.' [The future] Shiloh came to Bethlehem, the first Advent, and will come again [as Shiloh] at the end of time, the second Advent. Royalty is eternal. The throne of David is everlasting. There is no royalty in Europe but descends from Judah. And the Judah-Zerah royalty is, we repeat, seven hundred years older than Judah-Pharez because it began at once. You can read Genesis 38 to see how royalty began [but there is much more to talk about].

"Another great event is recorded in Genesis 46:12, [dare we mention it]. Here we can read the census of those of the family of Jacob who went with him into Egypt, eventually into Egyptian bondage though they did not know it at the time. Pharez took with him his two sons. Now Zerah went alone. No son accompanied him. We will see where the son later traveled. Here is the inference and the conclusion, The Trojan-[Roman]-Welsh by-passed the Egyptian captivity, and all other captivities and have never been in slavery to any man, in any land, at any time. (Slight changes or additions in brackets.)

"Zerah's son Ethan, very wise, and indeed this line of Judah-Zerah is the only royal line termed wise, on the other hand led his people north, from Egypt where he was born, into what is now Asia Minor, and his son Mahol continued likewise. Mahol's heir, Darda, reached the western shore, where on a commanding site, he founded the metropolis of Troy. The date is 1520 B.C. Here the city flourished for nearly four hundred years. Darda first saw the straits that separated Europe and Asia and gave them his name, Dardanelles. Darda also founded a fort here that is named after him. But the greatest honor is recorded in the Bible, Solomon was 'wiser than all men; than ... Darda the son of Mahol.' Thus great was the founder of Troy and the sire of the Trojan race whose children abide with us still. Troy fell because her sons had an eye for the refined and beautiful in women. Her descendants have that exquisite eye still and are naturally very proud of the accomplishment ...

"When Troy fell she did so to arise on another shore in eternal and imperial splendor. I am not referring to Italy. That empire though long was ephemeral (short-lived). Italy is an interlude only. Aeneas, a member of the old royal family, attained the kingship, led the saddened Trojans around the Mediterranean Sea, as graphically described in the Aenead, and finally brought them to their new home on the Tiber in Italy. Including this Italian interlude, the Trojan period embraced 417 years.

"Here on the Tiber happened a very sad event, too sad to be recalled, and would not be except for its denouement (final outcome). Brutus was one day hunting with his father Silvius, when he spied the prey, as he thought, and let fly an arrow. On running up he was shocked and grieved to find that he had killed his own father! Some people then, as now, were censorious and Brutus departed from the new colony, from which later sprang Rome, and with his royal followers, went to Greece, rallied the enslaved Trojans, defeated King Pendrasus, thus erasing the defeat of Troy, and as

victor exacted these terms: he must give his daughter Ignoge for wife, furnish a big fleet of ships fully provisioned, for his emigrant force of seven thousand men, and free permission for them to sail unmolested. ...

"Brutus, now with an object and direction, steered west through the straits (pillars) of Hercules, then northward along the east Atlantic main, across the English Channel to the present river Dart, and up its stream to Totnes, where, stepping on a large stone, he landed on the great island which was ever to bear his name as a memorial among the proud nations of the world. This rock, more famous throughout the centuries than Plymouth Rock, is marked as Brutus Rock, and has been visited perennially by people of all nations, all ranks, and all ages. With his people he explored the whole island and he apportioned to each one according to his rank and services. At last he decided the proper place for his capital, a choice bank of the Thames river, so named for a stream, Thyamis, in Epirus from which he first sailed, and there he built his metropolis, and according to the advice of the oracle, he named it Tri Novantum, New Troy. This name it bore for over eleven hundred years until King Lud at the beginning of the Christian era built her walls and renamed her Luddun, Lud's wall, easily refined into London. London is also derived, by some, from Llandin, meaning 'Sacred eminence.' London dates from three hundred-fifty years before Rome. Why should Rome be called the Eternal City?"

If this is the true history of Zerah-Judah, imagine how far off base in people's minds the true history of Pharez-Judah would be. To somehow imagine that today's "Jews" are true Judah is an error beyond all comprehension, for they represent a mixed-Canaanite variety of Judah, better termed "Jews." We will now return to Zerah-Judah. In the introduction to *The Book Of Tephi* by J. A. Goodchild, we find the following comments by Charles A. L. Totten, M. A.:

"For if Darda, the Egyptian, son of Zerah, was *Dardanus*, the Egyptian founder of Troy, and if Chalcol was the Egyptian *Cecrops* or Niul and the contemporary founder of Athens and Thebes, and if Heman, the brother of Niul, was the likewise contemporary Egyptian *Agenon* who inherited Phoenicia, and if Mahol, the son of Zerah and the father of these famous Egyptians, was *Scytha* or Fenesia Farsa, the Egyptian ancestor of the Milesians whose records, full and complete, enable us to blend the whole into one continuous recital down to the present day, surely we have means at hand in TROJAN, GRECIAN and MILESIAN sources, to continue out the record of the Sacred Chronicles, and lend them greater reverence as we come to understand and prize them at their worth!

"And it is just this claim that we now advance, for by rescuing this fragmentary reference to Zerah's line ... [and that] found in 1 Kings (4:30-31), from the ignorance and misconception with which all former generations seem to have treated it, and by reading in it a clear and intentional reference to the famous heroes of secular history, to the founders of Phoenicia, Grecia, Troy, and the Milesians, and indirectly to Rome, the child of Troy, to Carthage and to the Brigantes of Hispania, we place in the hands of Our Race, and before their open eyes, the peer of the Rosetta Stone itself, — in that all men who are 'wise' may read the conclusion in their own language between the lines of Sacred History itself! ..." [Brackets in this paragraph mine.]

This might dumbfound you, that this should be the history of Zerah-Judah. As for Pharez-Judah, they mostly went into Assyrian captivity to join with the ten northern tribes. You might well ask, if all this is true, "why hasn't my pastor mentioned this?" The answer to such a question can be found at Isaiah 29:10-13, which says:

"10 For Yahweh hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep sleep, and hath closed your eyes: the prophets and your rulers, the seers hath he covered. 11 And the vision of all is become unto you as the words of a book that is sealed, which *men* deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot; for it *is* sealed: 12 And the book is delivered to him that is not learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I am not learned. 13 Wherefore the Almighty Yahweh said, Forasmuch as this people draw near *me* with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men ..."

Therefore, whom Yahweh has put to sleep, let no man say he sees or understands! Today, nearly the entire world is under the influence of the false precepts of men. And unless the Almighty removes "the spirit of sleep", we can never comprehend the truth. It behooves us, then, to pray to Him that this veil of darkness be removed.

Yes, there are three tribes (sub-houses) of Judah, and the term "Judah" (or as most people incorrectly designate them, "Jew/s") is not synonymous with the term "Israel." Therefore, before passing judgment on the content of this paper, you owe it to yourself to check out these facts to determine its merit!