

4. God chose one race through which to save all the races!

Acts 17:26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; **Acts 17:27** **That they should seek the Lord**, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us: **Acts 17:28** **For in him we live, and move, and have our being**; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

Acts 17:29 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device. **Acts 17:30** And the times of this ignorance God winked at; **but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent: Acts 17:31** Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

No matter where we look we find the Jewishness of salvation and the Jewishness of Jesus !

Romans 1:1 PAUL, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God, **Romans 1:2** (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures,) **Romans 1:3** Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh; **Romans 1:4** And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:

2 Timothy 2:8 Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel:

Thoughts:

A. Salvation is of the Jews

John 4:21 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. **John 4:22** Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: **for salvation is of the Jews. John 4:23** But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. **John 4:24** God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

B. The Jews were a people apart

Exodus 33:15 And he said unto him, If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence.

Exodus 33:16 For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? **is it not in that thou goest with us? so shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth.**

Numbers 23:8 How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed? Or how shall I defy, whom the LORD hath not defied? **Numbers 23:9** For from the top of the rocks I see him, And from the hills I behold him: **Lo, the people shall dwell alone, And shall not be reckoned among the nations.**

1 Corinthians 10:32

Give none offence,

neither to the Jews,
nor to the Gentiles,
nor to the church of God:

C. Israel, the Jewish Nation, is the center of the nations

Deuteronomy 32:7 Remember the days of old, Consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will shew thee; Thy elders, and they will tell thee. **Deuteronomy 32:8** **When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, When he separated the sons of Adam, He set the bounds of the people According to the number of the children of Israel. Deuteronomy 32:9** **For** the LORD's portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance. **Deuteronomy 32:10** He found him in a desert land, And in the waste howling wilderness; He led him about, he instructed him, **He kept him as the apple of his eye.**

Deuteronomy 33:29 **Happy art thou, O Israel: Who is like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, The shield of thy help, and who is the sword of thy excellency! And thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; And thou shalt tread upon their high places.**

However:

Amos 3:2 You **only** have I known of all the families of the earth: **Therefore** I will punish you for all your iniquities.

Ezekiel 9:6 Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; **and begin at my sanctuary.** Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.

1 Peter 4:17 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? **1 Peter 4:18** And **if** the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?

D. Scripture was a gift primarily through the Jewish people

All of the OT

Most (nearly all) of the NT

Romans 3:1 What advantage then hath the Jew? or what profit is there of circumcision? **Romans 3:2** Much every way: chiefly, because that unto them were committed the oracles of God.

Deuteronomy 4:7 For what nation is there so great, who hath God so nigh unto them, as the LORD our God is in all things that we call upon him for? **Deuteronomy 4:8** And what nation is there so great, that hath statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

Psalms 147:19 He sheweth his word unto Jacob, His statutes and his judgments unto Israel.

Psalms 147:20 He hath not dealt so with any nation: And as for his judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD.

Acts 1:19 And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in **their proper tongue**, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood.

Colossians 4:10 Aristarchus my fellowprisoner saluteth you, and Marcus, sister's son to Barnabas, (touching whom ye received commandments: if he come unto you, receive him;) **Colossians 4:11** And Jesus, which is called Justus, **who are of the circumcision**. These only are my fellowworkers unto the kingdom of God, which have been a comfort unto me. **Colossians 4:12** Epaphras, **who is one of you**, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always labouring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God. **Colossians 4:13** For I bear him record, that he hath a great zeal for you, and them that are in Laodicea, and them in Hierapolis. **Colossians 4:14** Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas, greet you.

E. The Messiah was Jewish & fulfilled Jewish Scripture!

Matthew 1:1 THE book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of **David**, the son of **Abraham**.

Luke 2:10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

Luke 2:11 For unto you is born this day in the city of **David** (**ἐν πόλει Δαυίδ**) a Saviour (**σωτήρ**), which is **Christ** (**χριστός κύριος**) the Lord.

Galatians 4:4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

Galatians 4:5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. **Galatians 4:6** And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. **Galatians 4:7** Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

G. Salvation came through the Jewish race for all races!!!

Luke 1:30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. **Luke 1:31** And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. **Luke 1:32** He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him **the throne of his father David**: **Luke 1:33** And he shall reign over **the house of Jacob** for ever; and of **his kingdom** there shall be no end.

Luke 2:29 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart In peace, according to thy word: **Luke 2:30** For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, **Luke 2:31** Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; **Luke 2:32** **A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.**

Luke 24:45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, **Luke 24:46** And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:

Luke 24:47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. **Luke 24:48** And ye are witnesses of these things.

Matthew 28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach **all nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: **Matthew 28:20** Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into **all** the world, and preach the gospel to **every** creature.

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me **both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.**

God and Scripture never viewed “race” as a negative thing but as a God-given thing resulting in the salvation of all the nations.