### TISHA B'AV

586 BC & 70 AD

"A nation that cries and fasts for over 2,000 years for their land and Temple will surely be rewarded with both."

Napoleon Bonaparte (c 1800)

W.E. Blackstone 1891

#### SCATTERING OUT; GATHERING IN Are the Jews returning?

The petition stated: "Why shall not the powers which under the treaty of Berlin, in 1878, gave Bulgaria to the Bulgarians and Serbia to the Serbians now give Palestine back to the Jews? ...

"We believe this is an appropriate time for all nations and especially the Christian nations of Europe to show kindness to Israel. A million of exiles, by their terrible suffering, are piteously appealing to our sympathy, justice, and humanity. Let us now restore to them the land of which they were so cruelly despoiled by our Roman ancestors."

Rev. William E. Blackstone, who later corresponded with Theodor Herzl, called for the first international conference: "to consider the Israelite claim to Palestine as their ancient home, and to promote in any other just and proper way the alleviation of their suffering condition."

# SCATTERING OUT; GATHERING IN Are the Jews returning?

W.E. Blackstone
Theodor Herzl
Chaim Weizmann

1882-1903 = 30,000 Aliyah -going up 1903-1914 = 40,000

# SCATTERING OUT; GATHERING IN Are the Jews returning? 1917 - Balfour Declaration

His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavors to facilitate the achievement of this object, it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country.

1919-1923 = 35,000 1924-1931 = 82,000

### Are the Jews returning?

Rise of Nazi Germany 1932-1938 = 197,000

World War II 1939-1945 = 82,000

# Are the Jews returning?

Total Immigration

1882-1948 = ~500,000

# Are the Jews returning?

After May 1948

1948-1951 = ~688,000 1952 – decline to 1986 low of 9500 immigrants

# SCATTERING OUT; GATHERING IN Are the Jews returning? After May 1948

1990-1991 = ~376,000

then decline to

2009 = 14,500 immigrants

1998 = 19,000

2021 = 38,000 immigrants

# SCATTERING OUT; GATHERING IN "Lost" Tribes Return



Bnei Menashe India (Manasseh)



Falash Mura Ethiopia (Dan)

# Are the Jews returning?

Israel Jewish Population

1948 = 806,000

2022 = >7 Million

Over 3.3 million Jewish immigrants since 1948

# Are the Jews returning?

May 2006

More Jews in Israel than any other single location in the world (U.S. next)

# **Israel at 74 years old (1948-2022)**Total World Jewish Population – **15,200,000 (Sept 2021)**

0.2% of world population (>20% Nobels)

Pre-Holocaust population -16,600,000

9 countries (100K+) – 14,622,500 (96%)

14 countries (40K+) – 14,896,000 (98%)

11 countries with 10,000-40,000

37 countries with less than 500

May 2022 – Israel = 47% of world Jewish population

THE ROLL OF STREET	
<u>Israel</u> (May 2022)	>7,000,000
<u>United States</u>	6,000,000
<u>France</u>	446,000
<u>Canada</u>	393,500
<u>United Kingdom</u>	292,000
<u>Argentina</u>	175,000
<u>Russia</u>	150,000
<u>Germany</u>	118,000
<u>Australia</u>	118,000
<u>Brazil</u>	91,500
South Africa	52,000
<u>Hungary</u>	47,000
<u>Ukraine</u>	43,000
<u>Mexico</u>	40,000

If God has been faithful to His chosen, Israel, for 3500 years, then...

### Hebrews 9: 11-15

"How much more, then, will the blood of Christ..."

"New covenant"

"Promised eternal inheritance"