

# 7 Reasons t • Pray for Israel

**7** Biblical reasons to pray for the Holy Land.

### 1. God Has Not Finished with Israel

"God has not cast away His people whom He foreknew." Romans 11:2

"Remember these O Jacob, And Israel, for you are My servant; I have formed you, you are My servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by Me!" Isaiah 44:21

"For I will... bring you into your OWN land... I will give you a new heart ... I will put MY Spirit within you..." Ezekiel 36:24-27

"Thus says the Lord, who gives the sun for a light by day, the ordinances of the moon and the stars for a light by night... "If those ordinances depart from before Me, says the Lord, then the seed of Israel shall also cease from being a nation before Me forever." Jeremiah 31:35-36

## 2. We Have Benefited from Their Fall

""I say then, have they stumbled that they should fall? Certainly not! But through their fall, to provoke them to jealousy, salvation has come to the Gentiles." Romans 11:11

#### 3. A Dependence upon the Past, Present and Future of Israel

""But if you do boast, remember that you do not support the root, but the root supports you." Romans 11:18

#### 4. God Loves Israel, Shouldn't You?

"But concerning election they are beloved for the sake of the fathers." Romans 11:28

Speaking of Israel the LORD says – "Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore with loving kindness I have drawn you." Jeremiah 31:3

### 5. God Calls Us to Show Mercy to Israel

"That through the mercy shown you, they also may obtain mercy." Romans 11:31

#### 6. Greater Blessing Is Promised the World through Israel

"For if their being cast away is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?" Romans 11:15

## 7. Repeated Exhortations to Pray for Israel

"Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved." Romans 10:1

"Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you; [i.e. Israel]" I Samuel 12:23

#### Israel through God's Telescope

In November 1947, the United Nations recognised Israel's right to become a state after a world-wide dispersion of almost 1900 years. Israel has been preserved through immeasurable persecution while scattered amongst the nations, and (as a re-gathered nation) through several intensive wars aimed at her destruction. The most frequent Bible promise concerns Israel's physical re-gathering and spiritual restoration.

E.g. Deuteronomy 4:27-31 Hosea 14:4-7, Romans 11:24-29 and Acts 3:21.