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#### Tasha writes:

"I had a couple of questions to ask concerning this book [Esther], I was actually kind of disturbed when I finished reading it."

Hello. As many know, the name of "God" or "Lord" does not appear even once in the book of Esther. And I reject the <u>Companion Bible's assertion</u> that it is hidden in acrostics seems a little too convenient (made up after the fact?) and Kabalistic to me. Especially as there is no rhyme nor reason as to how the so-called acrostics are located. It is as though someone just looked through the book for a couple of instances where certain words followed one another. Remember that Bullinger was a friend of the converted Jew Ginsburg, and that Ginsburg was studied in the Cabbala (Kabbalah). This type of *counting* and *letter sequencing* seems very Kabalistic. I just don't like the feel of it, at all; it seems eerily reminiscent of the "Bible Code" type spurious books. "...no lie is of the truth" (1 John 2:21b).

Esther is a curious book, indeed. The Shepherd's Chapel has a 4-tape series on the book of Esther. It never appears on TV because of the explosive nature of the info on the book. You can call or write the Chapel and ask for the series on by name and they will send it to you. It is 4 tapes at \$4.00 each, and maybe give three or four dollars donation to cover shipping. It is well worth the \$20.00, as he covers Esther verse by verse and shows that the Kings and the people named in Esther didn't exist when compared to other contemporary Bible characters in the book of Daniel and the book of Ezra which were from the same time frame.

He does not say that the book shouldn't be in the Bible, but rather he seems to allude to it showing the method of the Kenite (Though I don't

speak for the man. You get the tapes and come to your own conclusion.) Bullinger, in his <u>Companion Bible</u> footnotes, points out many/most of these conflicts, though he tends to be an apologist for them. It seems that Bullinger and myself have come to different conclusions regarding the purpose of the book of Esther.

I myself am not so sure that it is a reliable book in that it contains inaccuracies; but I am reluctant to say that it doesn't belong in the Bible because of the implications of such a thing in the minds of some who would not understand. This is not to say that God did not allow this book into the Bible, just that perhaps He did not author it's words or sanction what it taught therein.

Let me explain. In Genesis chapter three, we see Satan utter lies: Gen 3:4-5

- 4. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:
- 5. For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. KJV

Now, if someone were to say that what Satan said in Genesis 3:4-5 above, has to be true because it is in the Bible; they would be missing the point. God allowed Satan's lies in Gen 3:4-5 into the Bible TO SHOW US HOW SATAN OPERATES. We see this same phenomenon when Satan misquotes Scripture to Christ in the wilderness, in the Gospels. Does that mean that the error is chargeable to God or His Bible? No, it just means that God is relaying what was said by another.

God never claims to speak in the book of Esther. So what is said, when wrong, is not chargeable to God. We see something along these lines where God allows a lying spirit to be sent to reprobate men who refuse the truth from the Holy Spirit of God (1st Kings 22:22-23, 1st Chron 18:21-22). God will allow one to believe a lie if they reject the truth. Does not the New Testament even tell us so: "And for this cause God

shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness." (2 Thess 2:11-12); you see the guilt all over those who God was stirred to send delusion. These are not innocent Bible students who just "didn't get it," they did not believe the truth of God; and worse, they amused themselves in vain fables (perhaps leading others astray with them?). This will most likely be a common event during the Tribulation, with the *know-it-alls* and the self-righteous.

So too did God, I believe, allow the Jew's lies into the Bible, in the form of the book of Esther; to show how they operate. So, while what is in this book (Esther) may not be true history, it is in there to teach us what they had done (and have done all down through time). What do I mean "have done all through time?"

I am sure that you have been taught that the *poor Jews* were just harassed and attacked by Germany for no apparent reason, right? Well there was an apparent reason for Germany to want to expel the Jews from her border, as so very many other European countries had expelled them at one time or another. That was Hitler's Final Solution, *deportation*, not *extermination*). Many people are unaware that between 250 A.D. and 1948 A.D., there were 108 Jewish Expulsions (Deportations) from various countries, mostly from Europe.

The Holocaust *exaggeration*, and the outright re-written history of the matter, is one glaring modern-day example. Many people do not know that the so-called <u>six-million lie</u> was used as justification for the slaughter of millions of Germans at the close of the war. Type "*Dresden*" into your search engine for a taste of Jewish vengeance and bloodlust.

Dresden was a German city which was not a military target; had no industry, war materials or otherwise; nor any garrisoned troops; it was a city full of German women and children war-refugees streaming to safety near the end of the war. At the insistence of the International Jews, the Allies firebombed the entire city of Dresden, killing most all the German women and children in the inferno (holocaust). Yes, the Jews (the International ones) wielded much power in WWII, and even brought

**that war about for their own designs**. Notice the date on page 2 facsimile of the *Daily Express* newspaper Front-page of March, 24, 1933, heralding the declaration of economic war upon Germany by International Jewry; This was BEFORE World War Two!)

How amazingly absurd this must sound to the reader who has been brainwashed by rewritten history and the Anti-Semitism bogey and myth. For a quick little (real) history of WWI and WWII, especially see: A Jewish Defector Warns America by Benjamin H. Freedman. Observe the dates on the below quotes from the annals leading up to the world's second great war, World War II, which was fought from 1939-1945:

"...Jabotinsky insisted that all energies be expended to force the Congress to join the boycott movement [the boycott movement was the subject of the above newspaper headline]. Nothing less than a 'merciless fight' would be acceptable, cried Jabotinsky. 'The present Congress is duty bound to put the Jewish problem in Germany before the entire world...(We [Jews] must) destroy, destroy, destroy them, not only with the boycott, but politically, supporting all existing forces against them to isolate Germany from the civilized world ...our enemy [Germany] must be destroyed." Speech by Vladimir Jabotinsky, a Polish Jew, on June 16, 1933.

"The fight against Germany has now been waged for months by every Jewish community, on every conference, in all labor unions and by every single Jew in the world. There are reasons for the assumption that our share in this fight is of general importance. We shall start a spiritual and material war of the whole world against Germany. Germany is striving to become once again a great nation, and to recover her lost territories as well as her colonies. But our Jewish interests call for the complete destruction of Germany..." Valadimir Jabotinsky, in *Mascha Rjetsch*, January, 1934.

"Germany is the enemy of Judaism and must be pursued with deadly hatred. The goal of Judaism of today is: a merciless campaign against all German peoples and the complete destruction of the nation. We demand a complete blockade of trade, the importation of raw materials stopped, and retaliation towards every German, woman and child." - Jewish professor A. Kulischer, October, 1937.

"The millions of Jews who live in America, England and France, North and South Africa, and, not to forget those in Palestine, are determined to bring the war of annihilation against Germany to its final end." [The Jewish newspaper] *Central Blad Voor Israeliten* in Nederland, September 13, 1939.

"Kill the Germans, wherever you find them! Every German is our moral enemy. Have no mercy on women, children, or the aged! Kill every German wipe them out!" Ilya Ehrenburg [Jewish], Glaser, p. 111. (undated).

"...In Germany the Jews occupy the principal roles and are first-rate revolutionaries. They are writers, philosophers, poets, orators, publicists, and bankers, and on their heads and in their hearts all the weight of ancient ignominy! They will one day be terrible for Germany...probably followed by a morrow terrible for them." Rougeyron, 1861; Metternich, 1849; "The Trail of the Serpent," *Inquire Within*, Miss Stoddard, p. 93.

Also during the final moments of WWII (in Germany), a Russian General (Jewish) in the advancing Russian Red army, said upon the final assault of the German homeland, something to the effect of "The German Hag is in for a rough night," or words to that effect. [sorry, can't locate the exact quote at this moment but I have it in some book or other.] A "hag" is a derogatory word for a women. What he meant was that the Jewish controlled Russian Red Army was going to rape it's way through Germany. And they did. Also, remember that millions ended up in the Russian (Jewish run) Gulags in Siberia, never to be seen alive again.

Typical Jewish hate-slaughter, just like the book of Esther illustrates. Coincidence? Or was this the reason that God allowed the book of Esther into the Old Testament? Even though that in not even one place in the book of Esther do we see it written "Thus saith the Lord, ..." or "God did this, or God did that...," or, "Esther and Mordecia prayed to God and the Lord said/did..." Nothing! No reference to God at all. Now you can see

why the Jews who set the cannon and who preserved the writings, needed to "find" the name of God in the book of Esther by "acrostic." Sorry, God doesn't operate like that.

God was not the *actor* in the book of Esther, He was not influencing the events; nor was He once consulted by the Jews in the book when things looked bleak for Jewry. Why do you think that that is? It is because by then, the so-called Jews hated God and turned their backs on Him. And when He would come in the flesh as Jesus Christ, some 400 years later, they would go on to kill Him.

Nowhere in the book itself does it claim that God had any hand in the 'events' of the book of Esther. It was written by Jews who had turned their back on God because He let the Temple fall and Judah be taken into captivity. It was this spirit and mindset that allowed, at this precise time in history, for the Jews to begin compiling their Babylonian Talmud, which is a mirror-image opposite of the Hebrew Old Testament. They had by this time completely renounced God. God allowed their spurious writing (Esther) to be, for all time, a testament to their sin and their manner. Yet foolish Christians today, believing the lies about the so-called modern day Jews being the "chosen of God," cleave to the Jew as their "brother in faith." Fools! Harsh word? No, true. The modern day Jew and his corrupt religion Judaism is against all that God had intended from any people of His who would be "called by His name" (Christians are named after Christ, who was God in the flesh. Thus, Christians are those that are called by God's name).

An earlier example of Purim type murder, slaughter, and intrigue, would be the Jew's *Russian Bolshevik Revolution*, where they, in the Jewishled overthrow, after seizing control of the government through a Jewfomented revolution; systematically exterminated some 60-100 million Christians all in the name of the so-called Anti-Semitism bogey man. What a perfect parallel to what *they say* happened in the book of Esther. Could it be that the book of Esther was fabricated to cover-up the slaughter of so many non-Jews in Medio-Persia? God only knows.

...The Russian Author, Alexander Solzhenitsyn, relates that some sixtymillion "real Russians" have been murdered since the Bolshevik Revolution at the hands of the Yiddish [Jewish] revolutionaries.

<u>WHO IS ESAU-EDOM?</u> by Charles A. Weisman; pg. 104: Is it a coincidence that the same type of false-AntiSemism charges, which led to the slaughter of untold numbers of non-Jew souls, by the Jews in the book of Esther, was repeated all down through history; and that God was warning us of their tactics?

Even today the Jews are strengthening their hand world-wide with draconian so-called Anti-Semitism laws and bizarre so-called hate-speech laws, which make the very thought of criticizing a Jew a crime punishable (now) by imprisonment. In 1917 Russia as millions of once-Christian Russians found out the punishment for perceived or contrived Anti-Semitism was a single bullet to the base of the skull in your own front-yard, in front of your own family (if they weren't also exterminated with you). It appears from Scripture, that during the Tribulation, *beheading* is to be the new <u>Jewish bullet to the base of the skull</u>.

Step by step, I have arrived at the conviction that the aims of [Jewish birthed] Communism in Europe are sinister and fatal. At the Nuremberg Trials, I, together with my Russian colleague, condemned Nazi aggression and terror. I believe now that Hitler and the German People did not want war. But we, [England] declared war on Germany, intent on destroying it, in accordance with our principle of Balance of Power, and we were encouraged by the Americans [influential Jews] around Roosevelt. We ignored Hitler's pleading, not to enter into war. Now we are forced to realize that Hitler was right. He offered us the co-operation of Germany: instead, since 1945, we have been facing the immense power of the Soviet Empire. I feel ashamed and humiliated to see that the aims we accused Hitler of, are being relentless pursued now, only under a different label."

British Attorney General, Sir Hartle Shawcross, in a speech at Stourbridge, March 1/6/48 (AP).

As one searches history, competently, and without Jewish subterfuge; he learns that everything that the Jews say is, or has been done to them, was in fact done *by them* to other non-Jewish peoples. I guess they know the power of telling the lie first, so that the truth which contradicts it appears itself to be cover-up and lie. They are genius, evil genius.

Here is an illustration of the evil genius of the <u>International Jewish mind</u>: If someone hits *you* in the head, but <u>he</u> runs to the world court and says that *you* hit *him*; then he is justified to hit you back after all, you drew first blood. So that, *though you really never hit him at all*, as you lay broken and prostrate on the ground: nobody calls him to task for destroying you. In such manner was the once great Christian Nation Germany rendered prostrate, partitioned, and broken. This type of evil genius creates an alternate 'reality' where the <u>International Jew</u> may extract retaliation upon the world, <u>for what HE did to them</u>. Welcome to the reason for the *Holocaust* fantasies and gross exaggerations. Were Jews killed in WWII? A lot of people were killed in WWII, but only the Jews (as a collective race) were (disproportionately) rewarded for it.

Could this be the <u>International Jewish</u> mentality behind the 9-11 attacks? Who knows; but there definitely is intrigue in the air regarding those attacks; I think that everybody can agree that something just isn't right with the whole affair.? We are not being told the whole truth. So then we have to look at who is capable of pulling-off such a grand deception.

History proves that since Cain, till today, murder is in the "Jewish" heart (and NO, the so-called Jews are not the Israel people of God, as found in the Old Testament). "They were murders from the beginning, and there is no truth in them."

John 8:44 "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it." KJV

"Oh! but you don't understand; Jesus was just having an anti Semitic moment," the wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked

Judaized play-Christians of today would say. These same would say that Jesus was only kidding, or was grossly unfair, when He said: "That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar." (Matt 23:35). I do not hate my less-informed brethren in Christ; what you read in me is anger, not hate; and I certainly do get very upset at them for being so *darn* easy. Perhaps they can't help it? Well, perhaps; but a brother in Christ ought to at least tell them the truth. What they do with that truth is up to them. Seems that most simply roll over and go back to sleep. They shall be rudely awakened in the Tribulation

Are they (the international Jews) gearing up for their final slaughter? I believe so, it is called the Great Tribulation. For those who have been lulled to sleep with dreams of *peace*, *peace* (when there shall be no peace), and those who cannot believe that Christians shall be martyred in the Great Tribulation, see our <u>Scriptural Evidences That Christians Shall</u> Die In The Great Tribulation.

But anyway, there are definitely some problems with this book of Esther. For one, the people and places mentioned by the Author of Esther do not align with the same rulers, etc., mentioned by the contemporary Old Testament authors of the books of Daniel and Ezra-Nehemiah. (Once again, Pastor Murray's 4-tape set *Esther Study* covers all of these conflictions in great detail; why don't you call <u>The Shepherd's Chapel</u> and order a set from them?)

Some examples are:

#### Some Inconsistencies between the book of Esther and the rest of the Old Testament

#### Esther Other Old Testament Books - Problem

Est 1:1 Dan 6:1The number Provinces is off by seven in Esther.

Est 2:6 2 Kings 24:14-15

Est 52:24-34 Dating in Esther is 133 years incorrect, compared to 2nd Kings and the book of Jeremiah.

Est 2:20 / Ezra 1:1 Secrecy spoken of in Esther not necessary if emancipation occurred as found in Ezra.

Est 3:8 Est 1:1 Not necessary for Haman to describe the Jews, had they already received their emancipation, as found in Ezra.

Est 8:8 Est 3:12 (Internal contradiction) The King Breaking his own unbreakable decree, with his own (another) unbreakable decree. Not possible in this type of governmental system.

Est 8:17 Old Testament - In Esther, Gentiles "became Jews"; in the Old Testament, Israel was by bloodline father to son, to son, to son, etc.

Est 9:13 Est 9:6-7 (Internal contradiction) Haman's ten sons killed twice. Killed in battle in 9:6-7, and killed again on the gallows in 9:13.

Est 9:28 New Testament (and the entire rest of the Old Testament) Feast of Purim commanded to be kept by all Jews. Nowhere in entire Bible do we see this feast. Jesus, who kept all of God's feast days, did not observe Purim

There are more inconsistencies in the book Esther than the ones listed above; but the above should suffice in showing that there is a "problem" with Esther.

Perhaps the greatest "peculiarity" regarding the book of Esther is that the word "God" or "Lord" (or any Divine title) is not once found in the entire book! Odd indeed, considering that in the book of Esther, the Nation was days away from total annihilation. You'd think that one of the characters might have thought to pray to God, like Israel always had done in the Bible, when in dire straits. But there is nothing, no mention of God; not even of a false god.

Also, Esther, the Queen supposedly responsible for saving the entire Nation, is not even so much as mentioned in any other book of the Bible (notably, not in Daniel or Ezra, who were contemporary with Esther, if she ever existed). Nor is the event that the book of Esther revolves around (the supposed attempted annihilation of the entire "Jewish" nation) even so much as hinted-at in the rest of the Bible.

In fact, when Jerusalem fell to the Babylonians (who would then go on to lose to the Medes and Persians transferring control of the captives of Judah to Persia), when Judah (a portion of the tribes of Israel) was taken into Babylonian captivity, God said by the prophets of the Old Testament that it would be for only **seventy years**, and that they would be OK after they were released (God told them not to resist the Babylonians, but rather to go quietly into captivity for their punishment by God). The author of the book of Esther knows of no such prophecies or promises of God, or doesn't believe it.

In fact, Judah (the Southern Hebrew Kingdom split from Israel) was treated quite well by the Medes and Persians in captivity, and were even freed under them. The King of that Nation also allowed Judah (the remnant of part of Israel in captivity by the Babylonians) to <u>return to Israel to rebuild the Temple</u>. Monies were given to the kingdom of Judah, from Persia, when she was released from captivity; and military protection as well was provided by the Persians.

#### Epitaph

Could the book of Esther be nothing more than an early "holocaust" bogey (phantom/specter)? We know that in World War ONE, the Jews claimed that six million were killed (there's that number again), then they quietly retracted the claim when they realized that (their) **League of Nations** was not going to take hold. Their plans put in abeyance (i.e., not yet).

The Jews also claimed that the Romans, at the destruction of the Temple in 70 A.D., killed "8 million Jewish children," by rolling them up in Torah Scrolls and burning them in the fire (Early holocaust fantasy?

"Holocaust" means to burn to consumption "A sacrificial offering that is consumed entirely by flames." The American Heritage® Dictionary])

But there were not eight (or six) million Jews on the entire planet in World War One, nor certainly in 70 A.D. Nor, for that matter, were there six million Jews in Europe at the time of the German occupation and WWII. This massive slaughter is somehow important for the Kabalistic Jews, so much so that they constantly, throughout the annals of history, have fabricated the story in one form or another.

Finally they got it (the six-million story) to stick in World War Two\*. From this arose the *United Nations*, an <u>International Jewish</u> controlled Global body.

#### \*But see: <u>Did Six Million Really Die?...The Truth</u>

The second mark of a Jewish fingerprint on the book of Esther is that it ordains (and originates) a Jewish holiday (Purim) that appears nowhere else in the Bible, neither in Old or New Testaments. Purim is a terrible "holiday" that celebrates the murder of many many people by the Jews. Nowhere in the entire Bible is the 'feast day' Purim mentioned, except in that book of Esther.

In the New Testament, Jesus observed all the Old Testament holidays and traditions (*i.e.*, Passover, Circumcision, even Baptism which was after the Old Testament but before Christ), but He does not celebrate this so-called *Purim feast* (nor is any mention made of any such feast ANYWHERE else in the other 65 books of the Bible). Why? We know from Scripture that God always gives a second witness! "..In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established." (2 Cor 13:1b)

My opinion is that the book of Esther was written after even all of the Old Testament were completed (with the possible exception of the Book of Revelation). When was the Old Testament Cannon closed (completed)? When were all the Old Testament books arraigned into what we now call the Old Testament? There is much disagreement on this. Perhaps the answer shall never be fully known. This confusion

allows the book of Esther to be *slipped in*. Was it slipped in? I don't know sure enough to state it here now. More research would be needed to be done to find old manuscripts that contain the book of Esther and compare their dates. I do not have that time presently. Perhaps a reader has the time? Let us know what you discover. It would be interesting to find the oldest example of the book of Esther, if the date of the manuscript can be confirmed that is the hard part, as they didn't place the dates in when they copied the manuscripts. Perhaps the answer lies with quotations of the early church fathers, for those are pretty well dated.

Disagreement over the date of the fixing (setting) of the Old Testament Cannon (list of included books)

Eckhard Schnabel, *History, Theology and the Biblical Canon: an Introduction to Basic Issues*, Themelios 20.2 (1995): pgg. 16-24:

"...There are no indications which force us to conclude that the OT canon was 'fixed' by a formal council or by a specific group claiming authority, although one could assume that the Sanhedrin, or the earlier gerousia, played an important role. Evidently somebody had to decide sometime which books were 'holy' and could be kept in the sacred archive of Scriptures in the temple....

...The Jamnia [Council of Yavneh] hypothesis - and it was never more than that, despite the frequent references to it - has recently come under attack. Main arguments against the traditional assumption are the following: (a) rabbinic discussions concerning some canonical books continued into the second century (and in the case of Esther, even longer)... ...One argument which has been advanced for the assumption that the OT canon was still 'open' in the first century AD is the Qumran evidence [Dead Sea Scrolls] which has invigorated the discussion in recent years. The peculiar profile of the Psalms scroll 11QPS with its inclusion of several non-canonical (i.e. non-Masoretic) psalms is regarded by some scholars as evidence for an alternative canonical text. Others have argued that the scroll was produced for liturgical usage and does not reflect canonical status." "Canon of the Old Testament," Catholic Encyclopaedia, Volume III 1908:

"Authors and Standards of Canonicity among the Jews ...points to authority as the final arbiter of what was Scriptural and what not. The so-called Council of Jamnia [Council of Yavneh] (c. A.D. 90) has reasonably been taken as having terminated the disputes between rival rabbinic schools concerning the canonicity of Canticles. So while the intuitive sense and increasingly reverent consciousness of the faithful element of Israel could, and presumably did, give a general impulse and direction to authority, we must conclude that it was the word of official authority which actually fixed the limits of the Hebrew Canon, and here, broadly speaking, the advanced and conservative exegetes meet on common ground."

The Book of Esther is the writing of a defeated people (Jews, not Israel or Judah) who needed to create justification for their slaughters, and build national unity within their group, all huddled around the bogey (phantom) of supposed hatred against them. Without an enemy, real, perceived, or fabricated, the Jews can have no justification for their actions. And that includes what they are doing in Palestine today. Though neither do the Palestinians have any right to the Holy land it rightfully belongs to God's people the Christians. Christ Jesus shall reclaim it at the Second Advent; until then the International Jews shall control it and the Muslims shall die for it.

Something is wrong with Purim. Modern day Jews eat a holiday bread called *Haman's Ears* on this 'feast day' of Purim. This represents cannibalism; and I won't even bring up the so-called blood libel with you now (human sacrifice). Ok, I will; see; <u>Jewish Ritual Murder</u>, and observe that dried 'Gentile' (Christian) human blood was used in these Purim cakes (Haman's Ears) until very recently (and maybe still is in some countries). No, I dare say, certainly is. How can I say this?

Even today, among a very strict Hasidic Jewish sect, they practice animal Sacrifice on the *Day of Passover* (and sometimes on *Purim*), in that they kill a chicken and sprinkle the blood upon themselves for atonement of sins. This is a blasphemy to God, of the Blood of Jesus Christ, the Messiah of God (and <u>onetime forever</u> offering for sin). The Jews are in great trouble with God, to put it mildly. In the final days, the Jews shall

reenact the Temple Blood Sacrifices, on the Temple Mount, Jerusalem, in a new Temple built for their false god antichrist. They shall be the leaders who "worship devils" (Rev 9:20). The Jews will seek to kill you if you do not worship their god Satan (antichrist) "and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads" (Rev 20:4b)

#### Dead Sea Scrolls - The Biblical Scrolls

"The Dead Sea Scrolls include more than 225 "biblical" manuscripts, about 215 of which were found at Qumran. Unfortunately, with a few exceptions (such as *1QIsaa* and *11QPsa*), almost all these manuscripts are in fragmentary form. Parts of every book of the Jewish and Protestant Old Testament are included, with the exception of Esther and Nehemiah. In addition, some other books now included in Roman Catholic Bibles were found at Oumran: Tobit...."

Begg, Flint & Ulrich, 1999, *The Dead Sea Scrolls Bible*; Introduction pg. Xvi.

Also, Esther is the only book wherein there were found no scraps or remains of in the Dead Sea Scrolls. The Dead Sea Scrolls were written in 250 B.C. through A.D. 70. (No scrap of Nehemiah was found either; however, in the Hebrew, the Old Testament books of Ezra and Nehemiah are ONE BOOK, and we have found remains of portions of Ezra in the Dead Sea Scrolls; so that would account for Nehemiah as well, as they are One book, not two.) So that leaves Esther as the only Old Testament book not found, even in scraps, in the Dead Sea Scrolls. Curious coincidence? No, the book of Esther most likely wasn't even written until after the last of the Dead Sea Scrolls was copied/written, circa 68-70 A.D.

#### You also asked:

"I wanted to know if the "Jews" it refers to are actually "Jews" of Judah or are they those which say they are Jews and are not (but are of the synagogue of Satan)?"

It is my opinion that they are spurious (fake).

#### You asked:

"There is a verse in Esther that made no sence to me, it is Esther 8:17, because it says that "... many of the people of the land became Jews; for the fear of the Jews fell upon them."

It <u>does</u> make sense when you look around you today. The Jews strike fear into people. For instance, many will read this and tell you that I am a *Nazi* or an anti Semite; so you see that the Jews control by fear. For I am not an anti Semite nor a Nazi, I am a Christian. But the truth that I write will be dismissed by many because of the "fear of the Jews." For this very reason I suggest that you keep this to yourself until you can fully document it, for you will be accused of many terrible things if you go to your Sunday School class or your church Bible Study group and repeat this info without being able to back it up with facts (facts that, *they*, over the centuries, have sought out and destroyed).

Why are people in fear of the Jews? Aren't the Jews just benevolent poor little persecuted victims; that's what I learned in school and on television? No, the Jews are murderers, they are very powerful in the Earth, globally; they just pretend to be weak and persecuted as a cloak to hide their ravagings. That is why everybody was in fear of them in the Bible including Jesus Christ and the Apostles, whom the Jews went on to slaughter. We also see that the early Christian Church was also hunted by the Jews to be exterminated. Paul, before his conversion, when he was yet named Saul, persecuted the church for his Jewish Sanhedrin masters. Contrary to popular misconception, Paul/Saul was not a Jew, He was of Israel by the Tribe of Benjamin. Paul speaks of himself as: "Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law [religion], a Pharisee [Pharisaism would go on to become modern-day Judaism];" (Phil 3:5).

#### "For Fear Of The Jews"

The non-Jewish people of Persia had to fear the Jews

Esther 8:17 And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness, a feast and a good day. And many of the people of the land became Jews; for the fear of the Jews fell upon them. KJV

The non-Christian people of Jerusalem had to fear the Jews

John 7:13 Howbeit no man spake openly of him **for fear of the Jews**. KJV

Joseph, a member of the Sanhedrin even had to fear the Jews

John 19:38 And after this Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly **for fear of the Jews**, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him leave. He came therefore, and took the body of Jesus. KJV

The Apostles had to fear the Jews

John 20:19 Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled **for fear of the Jews**, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. KJV

Jesus Himself had to fear Jewish murderers

John 7:1 After these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry , because the Jews sought to kill him. KJV

It is no coincidence that the Dead Sea Scrolls were in Jewish hands for 50 years before being released to the public. They currently reside in the Rockefeller financed *Shrine of the Book* at the *Israel Museum*, Jerusalem, Israel (pictured bottom of page 2). They were released in the 1990's, but were discovered way back in the 1940's. Today they can be pur-

chased, translated into English, in the volume, The Dead Sea Scrolls Bible. One can only wonder at what great Biblical finds that the Jews, having discovered or bought with their great wealth, have kept hidden from public view; and whether or not if any of the Dead Sea Scrolls were suppressed. My bet is that many writings have been intentionally destroyed, suppressed, and withheld. Though I have no evidence of this. My suspicion is aroused in that in the Dead Sea Scrolls we find nothing that is critical of the Jerusalem Jews, nor any mention of the execution of the Messiah of God, Jesus Christ even though the Qumran community of "Jews" lasted until 68 A.D. some 39 after Christ's Passion. You'd think that they would have recorded the event, one way or the other; no? After all, Jerusalem was only fourteen miles west of the Qumran community were the Scrolls were discovered, in the Dead Sea Caves on the northwest shore of the Dead Sea, at Qumran.

And to close this line of thought: Why would the modern-day, self-styled, so-called Jews, who are so anti-God, bother to invest time, money, and intrigue to uncover hidden ancient Hebrew writings? Answer: Because there is the *little matter* of the hidden Temple riches, as well as the possible location of the Ark of the Covenant and the original Temple Vessels (the Table of Shewbread, Candlesticks, snuffers, etc., and perhaps even the very Altar of God itself), which they want to roll out when their messiah antichrist (Satan) arrives.

#### You asked:

"Now I know that you cannot simply choose to become a Jew (of Judah). So is it possible that these people it speaks of might not be actual Jews, but the Jew as in a Jew of today?"

Amen! Yep, you got it right.

#### You asked:

"Also my next question was: The Jews were going to be killed and they grew terribly upset, but then Esther was able to get the king to recall what he had decreed. I understood that, but then why did the Jews rise up

against these people and kill them? Was it because some of those of that city still had intent of killing the Jews? Or did they (the Jews) rise up and slaughter them because they were angry at them?"

My opinion is that the Jews were never threatened, that they made up the impending slaughter so that they could carry out their own slaughter, and hide it as a defensive action. Or they made up the story afterwards to justify their treachery. Or maybe it was just Jewish lore, to instil racial unity and the community outrage that holds the hateful Jews together, that somehow got included in the Hebrew Bible. While modern day (post-Christ) Jews had no hand in writing the Sacred Scriptures, they did decide which books would be *included* in the Old Testament Cannon (the list of approved and accepted books included in the volume).

And let's not forget the gist of the book of Esther, she was not exactly a virtuous woman; she was a liar and a willing (unmarried) sex-partner for the King; who doing so well, was made Queen. How anyone could hold her up as an example is beyond me!

#### You said:

"Well I believe that is it. Thank you for your time. I look forward to seeing your opinion on these things! I hope I made some sort of sence in this reply. Thanks again so much for your time!"

You are very welcome. My suggestion is that you get a firm understanding of the Jewish issue before you go public with it, for you will be challenged and slandered. Fully investigate it for yourself, and then base your opinion on your research.

So, in closing, the book of Esther belongs in the Bible because it is there. God did not author the book of Esther; the book is a warning and an enactment of what has come after it, and what shall come in the end. God knew that we would pick up on the inconsistencies in the book, and take a different look at it. Every book belongs among the sixty-six books of the Bible. God Divinely preserved the book of Esther since it's inception into the Old Testament cannon (circa 6th century A.D.). It is a very

valuable book, as you can see from this study, in warning and preparing God's people (the Christian) to what shall come in MYSTERY BABY-LON (the world under the Great Tribulation of antichrist).

Some other studies that will help are:

A map (and article) about the re-formation of Israel in the west. Israel's migrations to "the appointed place."

JESUS WAS NOT A JEW! Article by Benjamin H. Freedman, Hebrew Historian - Researcher - Scholar.

God bless the study of His Word, in Jesus Christ' name!

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