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Important Unchangeable Realities When Thinking About Israel

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Earlier this month, I wrote about the “Tragic Consequences Resulting When Dividing Israel,” documenting 12 of many devastating events that followed pressuring Israel, usually to give up land that Almighty GOD promised to give them. The next week, I quoted 7 (of hundreds of) Scriptures documenting that the Creator and Ruler of Nations gave “the land of Canaan” to Israel as a permanent “everlasting possession.” Last week, I documented what the Bible said about Philistia – present day Gaza Strip – that it is part of the land that Almighty GOD gave to Israel. These are important facts to remember. Here are 10 truths, unchanging realities, that guide me as I think about Israel:

1. There is one Creator and Almighty GOD who “created the heavens and the earth”; and He is the Lawgiver, the King of kings, the Ruler of Nations, and the Supreme Judge of the world (Genesis 1:1; Isaiah 33:22; Psalm 9:8; 96:13; Acts 17:31; James 4:12).
2. The foundation of His throne, and all that He does, is “righteousness and justice” (Psalm 85:14), whether we see it as such or not.
3. The LORD relates to people and nations based on covenants with promises (e.g., the rainbow; Israel and its land; redemption only through Jesus Christ).
4. The LORD created “from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation, that they would seek God . . . and find Him” (Acts 17:26-27). GOD seeks people from Israel first and then all nations, including those living in Palestine, formerly called Philistia.
5. The Lawgiver and Supreme Judge holds people and nations accountable for their sins and iniquity, according to His fixed standard; yet He is full of mercy and grace. Throughout the history recorded in the Old Testament, GOD held all nations to His standard of righteousness and justice (e.g., He judged the ancient nations of Canaan using Israel; centuries later, He judged Israel and Judah using Assyria and Babylon).
6. Almighty GOD has authority to give any land or nation to whom He wills. All “the earth is The LORD’s” (Psalm 24:1), but He calls the land He promised to give to Israel His own land: “the land is Mine” (Leviticus 25:23); “My land” (2 Chronicles 7:20; Isaiah 14:25; Jeremiah 2:7; 16:18; Ezekiel 36:5; 38:16; Joel 3:2). He caused Israel to be restored on their land.
7. When the LORD called Abram to create a nation of chosen people through whom He would bring the Messiah, the Savior of the world, He said: “Go . . . to the land which I will show

you; and I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great; and so you shall be a blessing; 3 and I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed” (Genesis 12:1-3). These covenant promises remain in effect and are irrevocable. The nations who bless Israel are blessed (e.g., the United States under certain administrations and times; Lebanon in its “golden age”). The nations who curse Israel are cursed, decline and are no more or lost their prior greatness (e.g., Egypt, Assyria, Babylon; now France and maybe the United States). The blessing to “all the families of the earth” is the Jewish Messiah, Jesus Christ, descendant of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

8. The boundaries of the land Almighty GOD gave to Israel are: “from the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the river Euphrates,” and from the Mediterranean Sea to the Jordan River (Genesis 15:18-21). This includes ancient Philistia and the so-called “West Bank.”
9. Israel is “the apple of His eye,” and The LORD judges “the nations which plunder” Israel, for “he who touches (Israel), touches the apple of His eye” (Zechariah 2:8).
10. Israelites and Arabs are descended from Abram: Israel through Isaac and Jacob, and Arabs through Ishmael. They have been fighting against one another for 3,500 years. Reconciliation and peace are possible, but usually only through Jesus, the Jewish Messiah.

PRAY that we would see Israel as The LORD sees Israel; and He would guide Israel and give their leadership, military, and people great courage to do whatever is wise and necessary for them to conquer Hamas, show mercy to those who lay down their arms and to innocent civilians, and not stop until they gain full control and dominion over that part of the Promised Land.

For the LORD, the sacred gift of life, and standing in the gap for Israel,

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