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SESSION 3

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF ISRAEL

Session Summary

God is God of all the earth. However, when it comes to the Land of Israel, Scripture has some unique things to say. Israel is the place Jesus lived, died, and it is the place He will return to. There is plenty of debate about how Christians should think about Israel. But there is no arguing that Israel is a critical topic in the Bible.

KEY TERMS

Israel – This term can refer to the land or people of Israel. It is sometimes used interchangeably with ***the Jewish people***.

Typically, ***Israel*** refers to the geographical land God promised to the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. The term ***Israel*** occurs over 2,500 times in the Bible.

Jerusalem – The capital city of Israel. This is the location where Abraham was willing to sacrifice Isaac. See *Genesis 22*. It is also the location of the 1st and 2nd Temples, which stood during Biblical times. Jerusalem is what

Jesus called ***the city of the Great King*** *Matthew 5:35* because it represents the place where the great kings of Israel ruled. And it is the city Jesus will rule from when He returns.

Holy Land – The land of Israel is commonly referred to as ***the holy land*** because of the special status God assigned to it. The holy land is unique in that God associated His faithfulness to this piece of real estate, which is about the size of the state of New Jersey in the US. See *Psalms 105:8-11*.

BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE...

Additional Resources

For more on the significance of the Land of Israel for followers of Jesus, see Rabbi Jason's book ***The Rock, The Road, and the Rabbi*** at <https://www.fusionglobal.org/shop/rock-road-rabbi/>

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