

# Israel



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# Israel – It is a home of the people chosen by God – the Jews

Israel – it is a wonderful country. It is the home of the people chosen by God – the Jews. The state of Israel has been in existence since 14 May 1948. At the time, it came into being like a miracle. Why did it happen?

Jeremiah 31,10:

„Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations, and declare [it] in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd [doth] his flock.“

The Jews were scattered all over the world. But God was to gather them again, and this is what he did in creating the state of Israel. And he will guard Israel as a shepherd watches over his flock. What a comfort that is! Israel is surrounded by its enemies. It is a little country. Israel has been and always will be protected by the almighty power of God.

God warns the world in Zechariah 2,8:

„For thus saith the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you [Israel] toucheth the apple of his eye.“

How wonderful is God's word, which carries a report of events of today thousands of years before they happen.

Israel has a future as well. Jesus will return to earth on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem.

# Information about the country ISRAEL



In length the country of Israel extends 470 km from north to south. The widest part of the country measures 135 km, the narrowest just 15 km. Israel can be divided into four regions: the Mediterranean coastline, the mountainous country in the centre, the Jordan valley and the Negev desert. The Jordan measures 322 km and is Israel's longest river. It is fed by a number of tributaries.

In the year 2005 there were some 6.9 million people living in Israel and in Israeli settlements. There are 71 cities (including three cities in West Jordan), and hundreds of smaller towns. The major cities include Jerusalem (718,000 inhabitants), Tel Aviv (558,000), Haifa (269,300), Rishon Lezion (217,500), Ashdod (200,800) and Beersheba (184,800).

# Jerusalem

## Sacharja 12,2-3:

„Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah [and] against Jerusalem. And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.“

We can already see today how the nations are gathered together against Jerusalem.



# Bless the people of Israel

As Christian believers, we should be filled with gratitude and deep humility towards the people of Israel. After all, we have been grafted onto the olive tree that is Israel as wild branches. What a grace, what a gift! Thank you, Lord! (Please see Romans 11, 17 – 24)

Christians should bless the people of Israel (Genesis 3,3):

“And I will bless them that bless thee [Israel], and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed“



As Christian believers, we should bless Israel. How can we do this?

We can pray for Israel. We can refuse to countenance ill-intentioned statements about the Jews. We can buy products from the land of Israel, to encourage its economy. We can travel to the land of Israel in order to support it. We can make donations.

**Let's make a start there!**

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