



# THE TWO WITNESSES

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It has been 2,000-years since the Jews of Israel, Elohim's (God's) chosen people, have heard from a prophet of God. That is about to soon change.

Messiah-denying Jews have been blinded and they have rejected Yeshua (Jesus) as their Messiah, but has God rejected His chosen people, the Jews?

## **ROMANS 3:1-4 (NKJV) [WITH INTERPRETATION]:**

**What advantage then has the Jew, or what is the profit of circumcision? Much in every way! Chiefly because to them were committed the oracles of God. For what if some [JEWS] did not believe? Will their unbelief make the faithfulness of God without effect? Certainly not!**

Messiah-denying Jews are Yeshua's (Jesus') lost sheep. God has not forgotten or rejected the Jews, even though they have forgotten and rejected Yeshua (Jesus).

## **JEREMIAH 50:6 (NKJV) [WITH INTERPRETATION]:**

**"My people [THE JEWS] have been [LIKE] lost sheep. Their shepherds [TEACHERS] have led them astray."**

Yeshua (Jesus), the good shepherd, will not let His chosen people remain lost and deceived by their misguided shepherds (teachers) forever.

**LUKE 15:4-7 (NKJV):**

**“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!’”**

It been 2,000 years since the Jews of Israel have heard from a prophet of God. Why is God not communicating with and seemingly not searching for His lost sheep, the misled, Messiah-denying Jews of Israel?

**MARK 8:31 (NKJV):**

**And He [Yeshua (Jesus)] began to teach them (His disciples) that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.**

See also: Psalm 118:22; Matthew 21:42; Mark 12:10-11; Luke 9:2, 17:25, 20:17; Acts 4:11; 1 Peter 2:7-8.

**MATTHEW 24:1-2 (NKJV):**

**Then Yeshua (Jesus) went out and departed from the temple, and His disciples came up to show Him the buildings of the temple. And Yeshua (Jesus) said to them, “Do you not see all these things? Assuredly, I say to you, not one stone shall be left here upon another, that shall not be thrown down.”**

See also: Mark 13:1-2; Luke 21:5-6.

The Jews of Israel, through their teachers, have rejected Yeshua (Jesus) as their Messiah. The Messiah-denying Jews were driven out from the nation of Israel in 70 A.D. and their temple was torn down, without one stone of the temple remaining on the temple mount site, just as Yeshua (Jesus) had prophesied.

**JOHN 14:6 (NKJV) [WITH COMMENTARY & INTERPRETATION]:**

**Yeshua (Jesus) said, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one [INCLUDING THE JEW] comes to [GOD] the Father except through Me.”**

**ACTS 4:8-12 (NKJV) [CONDENSED]:**

**Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders of Israel: Let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Yeshua Messiah (Jesus Christ) of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, ... This is the ‘stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.’ Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”**

The Jews, having rejected Yeshua (Jesus) as their Messiah, have been *temporarily* cut off from communication with God, yet they are still under His divine oversight and protection (Romans 11). Having rejected Yeshua (Jesus), Messiah-denying Jews do not have the blood of Yeshua (Jesus) covering their sins, nor do they currently have their temple to sacrifice and offer animals in to temporarily atone for their sins, and thus they have been cut off from communing with God.

**PSALM 89:48 (NKJV):**

**What man can live and not see death?**

**Can he deliver his life from the power of the grave?**

Jews are taught, through Talmudic Judaism's teachings, that commandment keeping alone is sufficient for their salvation and they do not need a Savior. Messiah-denying Jews have been deceived by their forefathers and their current teachers continue in their false teachings concerning their Messiah, Yeshua (Jesus).

In 70 A.D. the temple in Jerusalem was destroyed and the Jews of Israel were driven to all nations, and then began to return back to Israel in 1948, as prophesied (Deuteronomy 30:1-6; Ezekiel 20:33-44).

Israeli Jews will rebuild their temple on the temple mount site in Jerusalem. The problem is, even though Jerusalem is the capital of Israel, Islamic mosques have been erected upon the temple mount site. If the Jews of Israel attempted to take down the Islamic mosques, it would mean all out holy war with the surrounding Muslim nations. Scripture prophecy reveals that those mosques will come down and the third temple will be constructed upon the temple mount site.

**DANIEL 9:27 (NKJV) [WITH INTERPRETATION]:**

**Then he [ANTIMESSIAH (ANTICHRIST)] shall confirm a covenant [AGREEMENT] with many [ISRAEL AND ISLAMIC NATIONS] for one week [7-YEARS]; but in the middle of the week [AFTER 3 1/2 -YEARS] he [ANTIMESSIAH (ANTICHRIST)] shall bring an end to [ANIMAL] sacrifice and offering [AT THE REBUILT TEMPLE – DANIEL 9:31, 21:11].**

At the conclusion of the great tribulation, the Antimesiah (Antichrist) will rise to power and will make a 7-year peace treaty with Israel and the surrounding Muslim nations, who will have been warring against each other during the great tribulation (Matthew 24:7; Mark 13:8; Luke 21:10). This negotiated peace treaty between the State of Israel and the surrounding Muslim countries will likely involve an agreement with the Islamic nations to take down and relocate their mosques, which are currently standing on the temple mount site. Once the mosques come down from the temple mount site, the Jews of Israel will rebuild their third temple upon it.

Why would the Islamic nations agree to take down their holy shrines and allow the Jews of Israel to rebuild their temple? The Antimesiah (Antichrist) will secretly make a deal with the Muslim nations to invade and occupy Israel when they agree to the terms of his 7-year peace treaty. Islamists desire one thing more than the love of their mosques and that would be to see the Jews driven from their Israeli homeland into the sea.

## **2 THESSALONIANS 2:3-4 (NKJV) [WITH INTERPRETATION]:**

**Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin [ANTIMESSIAH (ANTICHRIST)] is revealed, the son of perdition, who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.**

The Antimesiah (Antichrist) will break the peace treaty after 3 ½-years, invade and occupy Israel, and sit in the rebuilt temple in Jerusalem declaring to the world that he is God. The Antimesiah (Antichrist) will put an end to animal offerings and sacrifices at the rebuilt temple. But before he does that, the Israeli Jews will be making animal offerings and sacrifices at their temple, and by doing so, they will open a channel of communication with God. God will answer the call and He will send His two witnesses to the Jews of Israel.

### **WHO ARE THE TWO WITNESSES?**

The identity of the two witnesses will remain unknown to the world until they appear at the temple mount site to defy the Antimesiah (Antichrist). Many theologians have speculated that the two witnesses will be Elijah and Moses, as these two prophets appeared before Yeshua (Jesus) at the transfiguration (Matthew 17:3; Mark 9:4; Luke 9:30). Others have stated it could be Enoch and Elijah or Enoch and Moses. And there are some who believe the two witnesses are metaphorical, representing Israel and the Church. These theories are all wrong. It is appointed for man to die once (Hebrews 9:27), so God is not going to resurrect prophets from different ages to prophecy in the end times and then have them die yet again. As for the two witnesses metaphorically being Israel (Judaism) and the Church (Christianity), representing the commandments of God and the Messiah Yeshua (Jesus), considering the compromised and confused states of these faiths, they could never accurately and properly witness to anything, as both entities have misinterpreted or twisted the commandments of God and have either rejected or misrepresented the Messiah through Judaism and Christianity, respectively. Furthermore, these faiths could not be killed and lie in the streets for three and a half days, then ascend to heaven. Satan cannot kill a faith or a philosophy.

The two witnesses will be two end times prophets who God will raise up, as God always raises up prophets from among their own brethren, from their own culture, and during their appointed lifetime (Deuteronomy 18:15,18; Acts 3:22, 7:37). The two witnesses will testify to the Jews and Christians of the world.

## THE TWO WITNESSES OF REVELATION

### **REVELATION 11:1-13 (NKJV) [WITH INTERPRETATION]:**

**Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, “Rise and measure the [THIRD] temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there. But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the [ANTIMESSIAH (ANTICHRIST) AND THE INVADING ARMIES OF THE] Gentiles. And they [THE INVADING ARMIES OF THE ANTIMESSIAH (ANTICHRIST)] will tread the holy city underfoot for forty-two months [3 ½-YEARS]. And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days [3 ½-YEARS MINUS 17-DAYS THERE], clothed in sackcloth.”**

**These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands [SYMBOLIZING PEACE AND LIGHT] standing [DEFIANTLY] before the God of the earth [ANTIMESSIAH (ANTICHRIST)]. And if anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner. These have power to shut heaven [CONTROL WEATHER], so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire.**

**When they finish their testimony, the beast [ANIMESSIAH’S (ANTICHRIST’S) HELICOPTER FORCE] that ascends out of the bottomless pit [REVELATION 9:2-3] will make war against them, overcome them, and kill them.**

**And their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord [YESHUA (JESUS)] was crucified. Then those from the peoples, tribes, tongues, and nations will see their dead bodies three-and-a-half days, and not allow their dead bodies to be put into graves. And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.**

**Now after the three-and-a-half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them. And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, “Come up here.” And they ascended to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them.**

**In the same hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. In the earthquake seven thousand people were killed, and the rest were afraid and gave glory to the God of heaven. 5**

The two witnesses, like Moses and Aaron who came before them, will stand defiantly before the Antimessiah (Antichrist) bearing witness to the truth at the temple mount site, just as Moses and Aaron stood defiantly before the Pharaoh of Egypt and declared to him, “Thus says YHWH the Lord, let My people go.” The two witnesses will be dressed in sackcloth, similar to how Moses and Aaron were dressed in shepherd’s clothes. The two witnesses will have power to turn water to blood, withhold rain, and bring plagues upon the earth, just as Moses and Aaron had power to turn water to blood, rain hail, and bring plagues upon Egypt. The two witnesses will have power to kill anyone who wants to harm them, just as Moses and Aaron had power to kill the Egyptian army that wanted to kill the Hebrews, as they pursued the Hebrews into the Red Sea (Exodus 14). The two witnesses will be rejected by many, killed, and resurrected after 3 ½ days, in a similar manner as Yeshua (Jesus) was rejected by the elders, chief priests, and scribes, was killed, and resurrected after 3-days and 3-nights. The two witnesses will go up to heaven in a similar way as Yeshua (Jesus) was caught up to heaven. There will be a great earthquake in the same hour that the two witnesses are resurrected and ascend to heaven, just as there was an earthquake in the same hour Yeshua (Jesus) died (Matthew 27:51; Mark 15:38; Luke 23:45).

The two witnesses will testify to the Messiah-denying Jews of Israel and to all people of the world that Yeshua (Jesus) is the true peace and light of the world. The two witnesses will proclaim to the Messiah-denying Jews of Israel and to the people of the world that Yeshua (Jesus) is their one and only true Messiah (Christ). The two witnesses will declare that the Antimessiah (Antichrist) is not God, nor will he bring peace and light to the world, nor will they be getting another Messiah (Christ), and that there is no other name than Yeshua (Jesus) under heaven by which the world must be saved. The two witnesses will proclaim Yeshua (Jesus) as the Messiah and affirm the commandments of Elohim (God).

During the testimony period of the two witnesses, the Antimessiah (Antichrist) will set up the abomination of desolation image (Daniel 11:31, 12:11; Matthew 24:15; Mark 13:14) upon the temple mount site and demand that all the people of world worship his image (Revelation 13:14-15, 14:9-11) and he will implement his 666 mark of the beast system in order for people to buy and sell (Revelation 13:16-18).

After the testimony of the two witnesses is completed, they will be killed and their bodies will lie on the street. After three-and-a-half days, the two witnesses will be resurrected to life and then they will ascend to heaven. The remnant of left behind believers, Christians and Jews, will reject the Antimessiah (Antichrist) as God. Left behind Christian saints will refuse the mark of the beast and be beheaded for their refusal (Revelation 12:11,17, 14:12-13). The Jews of Israel will remember the golden calf incident after their Exodus from Egypt and they will refuse to worship the abomination of desolation idol image set up by the Antimessiah (Antichrist).

**LUKE 19:41-44 (NKJV) [WITH INTERPRETATION]:**

Now as He [YESHUA (JESUS)] drew near, He saw the city [JERUSALEM] and wept over it, saying, **“If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation.”**

The Messiah-denying Jews of Israel will flee from the Antimesiah (Antichrist) to the Israeli mountain wilderness (Matthew 24:15-20; Mark 13:14-18; Revelation 12:6,14), where a place has been prepared for them by the people of God. There, they will remember the miracles, plagues, and testimony of the two witnesses. It is then that the Messiah-denying Jews of Israel will believe and call upon Yeshua (Jesus) to save them from annihilation from the Antimesiah (Antichrist) at the final hour of this age. Yeshua (Jesus) will then return to earth with His resurrected and raptured saints to save the remnant Jews who call upon Him, judge the wicked people of the earth, and establish His Millennial Kingdom (Jude 1:14).

**MATTHEW 23:37-38 (NKJV) [WITH INTERPRETATION]:**

**“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! See! Your house [NATION – ISRAEL] is left to you desolate; for I say to you [MESSIAH-DENYING JEWS], you [MESSIAH-DENYING JEWS] shall see Me no more till you [MESSIAH-DENYING JEWS] say, ‘Blessed is He [YESHUA THE MESSIAH] who comes in the name of YHWH (the Lord)!”**

See also: Psalm 118:26; Luke 13:34-35, 19:38; John 12:13

The Jewish people of the nation of Israel, who have been misled by their spiritual teachers, will soon come to know of the true identity of their Messiah, Yeshua (Jesus), who comes in the name of YHWH (the Lord), after they see the miracles and hear the testimony of the two witnesses.