## **Did Anyone Get The Memo**

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I want to paint a picture that will hopefully establish the significance of what I am about to share with you. A moment in time so significant, that all understanding that existed prior to this moment in time would not only change, but all prior understanding could not remain the same moving forward.

As I paint this picture, let me first start with the imagery from the movies "2001 A Space Odyssey" and "2010 The Year We Make Contact"

It is this story that conveys the impact of the moment in time I am about to share with you.

The plot for 2001, released in 1968, in the midst of the Apollo program and prior to July 20th's 1969 moon landing, begins in an African desert millions of years ago, a tribe of <u>hominids</u> whose members are known as **great apes**, is driven away from its watering hole by a rival tribe. They awaken to find a <u>featureless black monolith</u> has appeared before them. Seemingly influenced by the monolith, they discover how to use a bone as a weapon and drive their rivals away from the water hole.

Millions of years later, a <u>Pan Am spaceplane</u> carries Dr. Heywood Floyd to the huge Space Station 5 orbiting Earth for a layover on his trip to <u>Clavius Base</u>, a United States outpost on the Moon. After Floyd has a <u>videophone</u> call with his daughter, he deflects questions from his <u>Soviet</u> scientist friend and her colleague about rumors of a mysterious epidemic at Clavius. Floyd speaks to a meeting of Clavius personnel, apologizing for the epidemic cover story but stressing secrecy. His mission is to investigate a recently found artifact buried four million years ago near the crater <u>Tycho</u>. Floyd and others ride in a <u>Moonbus</u> to the artifact, a monolith identical to the one encountered by the ape-men. When sunlight strikes the monolith for the first time in millions of years, a loud high-pitched radio signal is heard.

Eighteen months later, the United States spacecraft <u>*Discovery One*</u> is bound for <u>Jupiter</u>. On board are mission pilots and scientists Dr. David Bowman and Dr. Frank Poole, along with three other scientists in <u>suspended animation</u>.

At Jupiter, Bowman leaves *Discovery One* to investigate another monolith orbiting the planet. The pod is pulled into a vortex of colored light, the Star Gate, and Bowman races across vast distances of space, viewing bizarre cosmological phenomena and strange landscapes of unusual colors.

Bowman finds himself in a bedroom appointed in the <u>neoclassical</u> style. He sees, and then becomes, older versions of himself, first standing in the bedroom, middle-aged and still in his spacesuit, then dressed in leisure attire and eating dinner, and finally as an old man lying in the bed. A monolith appears at the foot of the bed, and as Bowman reaches for it, he is transformed into a <u>fetus</u> enclosed in a transparent orb of light, The Star Child. The new being floats in space beside the Earth, gazing at it. This is how the movie ends. A cliffhanger so to speak. In spite of its evolutionary theme, there is a parallel to be drawn. The parallel to be drawn is in how the Tanakh ends. Not in substance, but in manner, the Tanakh being what many of you refer to as the old testament, and is in reality the Hebrew Scriptures ends with many cliffhangers, promises that have been made by Adonai, and yet to be answered.

Then approximately 400 years later, Yeshua comes along and the establishment of the New Covenant as was promised hundreds of years earlier...

Jer 31:31 (31:30) "Here, the days are coming," says Adonai, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Isra'el and with the house of Y'hudah.

- Jer 31:32 (31:31) It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers on the day I took them by their hand and brought them out of the land of Egypt; because they, for their part, violated my covenant, even though I, for my part, was a husband to them," says Adonai.
- Jer 31:33 (31:32) "For this is the covenant I will make with the house of Isra'el after those days," says Adonai: "I will put my Torah within them and write it on their hearts; I will be their God, and they will be my people.
- Jer 31:34 (31:33) No longer will any of them teach his fellow community member or his brother, 'Know Adonai'; for all will know me, from the least of them to the greatest; because I will forgive their wickednesses and remember their sins no more."

Becomes a reality. A reality that is made with the Jewish people, yet will impact the nations. A promise Adonai made to Avraham...

Gen 12:3 I will bless those who bless you, but I will curse anyone who curses you; and by you all the families of the earth will be blessed."

We are left with the writings of the New Covenant and still many of those prophecies remain unanswered. Yet, there are still more prophecies that still remain unanswered, even after Yeshua.

There is still more to happen.

There is a key element involved in many of these remaining promises that must exist.

This is where I pick up the continuation of our picture 2001 A Space Odyssey. If you ever watched the move, you were likely left with many questions and few if any answers. It would be nine years after the mysterious failure of the *Discovery One* mission to Jupiter in 2001, which resulted in the deaths of four astronauts and the disappearance of David Bowman; blamed for the fiasco, Dr. Heywood Floyd resigned his position as head of the National Council for Astronautics.

While an international dispute causes tensions between the United States and the <u>Soviet Union</u>, both nations prepare space missions to determine what happened to the *Discovery*; the Soviet spacecraft *Leonov* will be ready before the American spacecraft *Discovery Two*, but the Soviets need American astronauts to help board the *Discovery* and investigate the malfunction of the ship's <u>sentient</u> computer, <u>HAL 9000</u>, which caused the disaster. The US government agrees to a joint mission when it is determined that *Discovery* will crash into Jupiter's moon <u>Io</u> before *Discovery Two* is ready. Floyd, along with *Discovery* designer Walter Curnow and HAL 9000's creator Dr. Chandra, joins the Soviet mission.

Upon arriving at Jupiter, the crew detect signs of life on Jupiter's seemingly barren moon Europa.

They send an unmanned probe down to Europa to investigate the unusual readings, but just as it finds the source, a mysterious energy burst destroys the probe and its data. The "burst" then flies toward Jupiter.

The Monoliths engulf Jupiter, causing <u>nuclear fusion</u> that transforms the planet into a small star. The *Discovery* is consumed in the blast after the *Leonov* breaks away to safety. Just before the *Discovery* is engulfed, Bowman's voice is heard once again as he speaks to HAL and tells him that they will soon be together after he transmits a message to Earth:

ALL THESE WORLDS ARE YOURS EXCEPT EUROPA ATTEMPT NO LANDING THERE USE THEM TOGETHER USE THEM IN PEACE

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=38EDhpxzn2g

The star's miraculous appearance inspires American and Soviet leaders to seek peace. Europa gradually transforms from an icy wasteland to a humid jungle covered with plant life. A Monolith stands in the primeval Europan swamp, waiting for intelligent life forms to evolve.

Then you hear the words of Dr. Floyd at the end...

Your children will be born in a world of two suns. They will never know a sky without them. You can tell them that you remember when there was a pitch black sky... ...with no bright star, and people feared the night. You can tell them when we were alone... ...when we couldn't point to the light and say to ourselves: "There is life out there." Somedav the children of the new sun will meet the children of the old. I think they will be our friends. You can tell your children of the day when everyone looked up... ...and realized that we were only tenants of this world. We have been given a new lease

The paradigm shifting moment at the end of 2010, where those on earth will now wake up each morning and see 2 suns in the sky is now the new reality. Never again will they every wake up to a single sun. Likewise, at some point in the future, those that will inhabit the once moon of Jupiter, Europa will engage with those on earth.

Keeping in mind this is a very evolutionist message, this is not the point I am making here.

The point is that reality has forever changed and as such, the status quo has to change as well.

Today, we have experienced just such a paradigm shifting moment in our time as is conveyed by Arthur C. Clarke in 2001 A Space Odyssey.

The equivalent of the two suns and a new inhabited planet, for us is the reemergence of Israel.

For some of you, you can reflect upon the words that concluded the movie 2010, but relate them in a different way...

"Your children will be born into a world where Israel exists." "They will never know a world without Israel again."

I have grown up in a world where this was a reality to me. My parents and grandparents did not. They knew a world before Israel became a nation. Like this parallel experience from 2001, a specific moment in time changed everything.

May 14, 1948 this became a reality...

Just as in the movie with the new reality of the two suns in the sky, so to this reality, would be known by all those born after May 14, 1948.

You would no longer know a world where Israel didn't exist.

Some call this the maneuvering of man as a result of the end of World War II, yet the seeds were being planted long before the end of World War II and the Holocaust.

One can go back over 30 years to World War I and the end of the Ottoman empire. It would be on November 2, 1917 that James Balfour would draft a declaration to establish a homeland for the Jewish people in what was known as Palestine. In reality the origination goes back even further than that. I have linked in my notes a message I gave back in 2014 pertaining the reestablishment of Israel.

http://www.shalommaine.com/sermon\_notes\_pdf/Israel\_March\_Message-Israel\_On\_Trial-September\_7\_2014.pdf

That when this is posted you will be able to go to our web site and view the notes from this message as well as the information from the 2014 message.

Yet, the re-establishment of Israel as a nation dates back long before these points in recent history.

It is prophesied by Scripture. Adonai conveys through Yesha'yahu (Isaiah)...

**Isa 66:8** Who ever heard of such a thing? Who has ever seen such things? Is a country born in one day? Is a nation brought forth all at once? For as soon as Tziyon went into labor, she brought forth her children.

What happened...

At midnight on May 14, 1948, the Provisional Government of Israel proclaimed the new State of Israel. (Their Declaration of Independence) On that same date the United States, in the person of President Truman, recognized the provisional Jewish government as de facto authority of the new Jewish state.

https://www.trumanlibrary.org/whistlestop/study\_collections/israel/large/index.php?action=bg

Adonai states to Moshe in Deuteronomy 30...

**Deu 30:1** "When the time arrives that all these things have come upon you, both the blessing and the curse which I have presented to you; and you are there among the nations to which Adonai your God has driven you; then, at last, you will start thinking about what has happened to you;

Deu 30:2 and you will return to Adonai your God and pay attention to what he has said, which will be exactly what I am ordering you to do today - you and your children, with all your heart and all your being.

Deu 30:3 At that point, Adonai your God will reverse your exile and show you mercy; he will return and gather you from all the peoples to which Adonai your God scattered you.

- Deu 30:4 If one of yours was scattered to the far end of the sky, Adonai your God will gather you even from there; he will go there and get you.
- Deu 30:5 Adonai your God will bring you back into the land your ancestors possessed, and you will possess it; he will make you prosper there, and you will become even more numerous than your ancestors.

Deu 30:6 Then Adonai your God will circumcise your hearts and the hearts of your children, so that you will love Adonai your God with all your heart and all your being, and thus you will live.

Israel's reestablishment is no accident, but rather part of Adonai's plan for Yeshua's return. Israel is significant in end times prophecy as well as being instrumental in the New Covenant writings.

A little known prophecy in the New Covenant reiterates the significance of Israel's existence and its direct relation to the return of Yeshua.

**Luk 21:24** Some will fall by the edge of the sword, others will be carried into all the countries of the Goyim, and Yerushalayim will be trampled down by the Goyim until the age of the Goyim has run its course.

Speaking of those who would control Yerushalayim would ultimately come to an end, ushering the return of Messiah. Since immediately following this verse the following is proclaimed by Yeshua...

**Luk 21:25** "There will appear signs in the sun, moon and stars; and on earth, nations will be in anxiety and bewilderment at the sound and surge of the sea,

Luk 21:26 as people faint with fear at the prospect of what is overtaking the world; for the powers in heaven will be shaken.

Luk 21:27 And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with tremendous power and glory.

Luk 21:28 When these things start to happen, stand up and hold your heads high; because you are about to be liberated!"

For the first time since the Southern Kindom's expulsion to Bavel, the nations have been in control of Yerushalayim. From Persia, to the Greek empire, to the Roman empire at the time of Yeshua to the Muslims, Yerushalayim had remained in control by the nations, not Israel...that is until another significant date with Luke 21:24 became a reality.

June 7, 1967, when in the midst of the 6 day war the unthinkable happened...a miracle happened there. What was that Miracle? With the world having abandoned Israel and the Islamic nations building forces against them, Israel had not choice but to go to war.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Six-Day\_War

Six Days of Miracles - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8i3uIz7hoYs

http://www.shalommaine.com/sermon\_notes\_pdf/Miracles.pdf

http://www.shalommaine.com/downloads/060918\_Miracles.mp3

http://www.shalommaine.com/downloads.htm

Yitzchak Rabin names this time "The 6 Day War" in recognition of creation as Israel was created with the liberation of Yerushalayim. Outnumbered on every military front, Israel faced twice as many soldiers, three times as many planes and four times as many tanks, yet one can only conclude the obvious, a number of devine miracles at the hand of Adonai occurred. It is Adonai who has established a relationship with Israel and the Jewish people that is unlike anything else. A covenantal relationship whose impact is to be experienced by all nations, impacting them with the light of the world - Yeshua.

This may offend some of you by my saying this. However, don't be offended by what I am saying. If you are truly offended, then you are offended by Adonai and Scripture.

What is known as Replacement Theology existed because of the absence of Israel as a nation from the face of the world and was used to answer the prophecies that remained unanswered. Prophecies that were made, involving Israel and the Jewish people were unresolved for centuries.

And with no possibilility of Israel returning, then the narrative about these promises changed to the church.

Did anyone get the memo?

This may have been a viable and somewhat justifiable argument prior to 1948, but it doesn't hold water today. It can't.

The reemergence of Israel throws a monkey wrench into all existing eschatological and end times theology.

Dispensationalism conveys that upon the rapture of the church, Adonai will "deal" with Israel. Yet, if this is the case, how do you explain, according to a recent survey by Chosen Peoples Ministry, it is estimated that among evangelicals, there are over 800,000 Messianic Jews, many having assimilated into the church, while many having embraced their Jewish identity and worship as Messianic Jews.

Is this dealing with the Jewish people later?

Which leads to a paradox, an enormous contradiction. If you believe the church will be raptured, then what does that mean for Jewish believers? Are they the church or are they Jewish. To paraphrase the Clash...do they stay or do they go? I don't have the time to go into detail about this but if you were to focus on one word, the word should be resurrection. The return of Yeshua is based on the resurrection. Scripture talks of Him returning once. There have been many theories that I call pretzel logic...theories twisted in order to fit Scripture. You should not need to twist your theology in order to justify your theology.

I say all this to further convey that whatever theology you support, cannot remain the same as if Israel does not exist. Your theology and your understanding of Scripture must change. They cannot remain the same. They can't remain the same as if Israel is non-existent.

The notion of the church replacing Israel is a product of these theological perspectives. They may have been justifiable when Israel didn't exist. But you can't say that today. Theology that dates back to a time when Israel didn't exist and is still being promoted as if Israel doesn't exist, throws the entire Bible out the window.

You can't ignore this reality any longer.

There are two suns in the sky. What you once thought to be true has changed.

Israel exists, not because of man but because of God. This is His truth. This is His reality.

So, let me close with Ezekiel 37...

Eze 37:1 With the hand of Adonai upon me, Adonai carried me out by his Spirit and set me down in the middle of the valley, and it was full of bones.

Eze 37:2 He had me pass by all around them — there were so many bones lying in the valley, and they were so dry! Eze 37:3 He asked me, "Human being, can these bones live?" I answered, "Adonai Elohim! Only you know that!"

Eze 37:4 Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones! Say to them, 'Dry bones! Hear what Adonai has to say! Eze 37:5 To these bones Adonai Elohim says, "I will make breath enter you, and you will live.

- Eze 37:6 I will attach ligaments to you, make flesh grow on you, cover you with skin and put breath in you. You will live, and you will know that I am Adonai."''
- **Eze 37:7** So I prophesied as ordered; and while I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound; it was the bones coming together, each bone in its proper place.
- Eze 37:8 As I watched, ligaments grew on them, flesh appeared and skin covered them; but there was no breath in them.
- Eze 37:9 Next he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath! Prophesy, human being! Say to the breath that Adonai Elohim says, 'Come from the four winds, breath; and breathe on these slain, so that they can live.' "
- Eze 37:10 So I prophesied as ordered, and the breath came into them, and they were alive! They stood up on their feet, a huge army!
- Eze 37:11 Then he said to me, "Human being! These bones are the whole house of Isra'el; and they are saying, 'Our bones have dried up, our hope is gone, and we are completely cut off.'
- Eze 37:12 Therefore prophesy; say to them that Adonai Elohim says, 'My people! I will open your graves and make you get up out of your graves, and I will bring you into the land of Isra'el.
- Eze 37:13 Then you will know that I am Adonai when I have opened your graves and made you get up out of your graves, my people!
- Eze 37:14 I will put my Spirit in you; and you will be alive. Then I will place you in your own land; and you will know that I, Adonai, have spoken, and that I have done it,' says Adonai."