

After worship at the Garden Tomb we made another sacred stop on Day 8 of our Holy Pilgrimage in Israel. It was not a Bible time sacred, but sacred just the same; it was: *Yad Vashem* (Hebrew: יָד וַשֵּׁם; literally, "a memorial and a name"), The World Holocaust Remembrance Center, Israel's official memorial to the victims of the Holocaust.

Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off (Isaiah 56:5).

הַ וְנָתַתִּי לָהֶם בְּבֵיתִי וּבְחוֹמֹתַי, יָד וַשֵּׁם--טוֹב, מִבְּנִים
 וּמִבָּנוֹת: שֵׁם עוֹלָם אֶתֶן-לוֹ, אֲשֶׁר לֹא יִכָּרֵת.¹

In English that Scripture continues:

6 Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the LORD, to serve him, and to love the name of the LORD, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant; 7 Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people (Isa.56:6-7).

We exited the tour bus at the World Holocaust Remembrance Center. We knew we were on sacred ground when feet hit the pavement, and as we gathered a somber hush was measurable, on us, and on Eli our guide as he spoke. "Holocaust² means *sacrifice* this was not that, ...



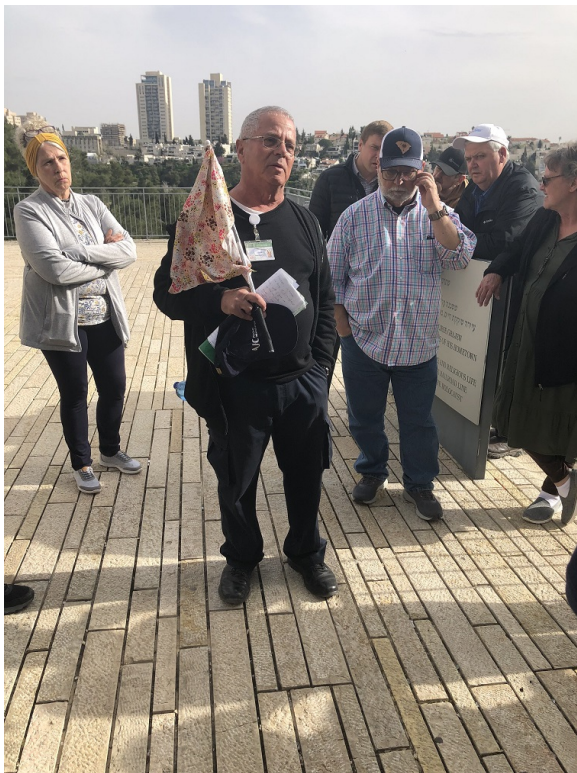
1 Hebrew Scripture from <https://mechon-mamre.org/p/pt/pt1056.htm>. Accessed 12/03/2023

2 Webster's 1828 Dictionary s.v. "Holocaust" A burnt-sacrifice or offering, the whole of which was

it was חַוָּוָה *schvaa* , catastrophe, cataclysm, disaster, ... and murder. *Yad Vashem* (Hebrew: יָד וּשְׂמָה) literally means 'a memorial and a name.' It is a depository for the names of those murdered in the Holocaust. Such atrocity that was unveiled in January 1945 at Auschwitz.

Eli was particularly moved. He told how as a soldier visiting Auschwitz he with his unit assembled under the sign over the entrance to the camp which read “Arbeit macht frei”³, which means "work makes one free." There they sang their Israeli National Anthem.

There was a particularly moving video (23 March 2023 1419) of Eli and Lee on the bus singing the Israeli National Anthem (called Hatikvah, literally “the hope,” its lyrics were written in 1886 by Naphtali Herz Imber, a poet originally from Galicia, the melody was written by Samuel Cohen.) I did not, however secure a copy of that video.



The Anthem in English, “As long as within our hearts The Jewish soul sings, As long as forward to the East To Zion, looks the eye – Our hope is not yet lost, It is two thousand years old, To be a free people in our land The land of Zion and Jerusalem.”
 The Anthem in Transliteration: “*Kol od ba'le'yav p'nima, Nefesh yehudi ho'miyah. U'lefa-atei kadimah, Ayin le'Tziyyon tzofiyah. Od lo avda tikva-teinu, Ha'tikvah bat sh'not al-payim Lih-yot am chofshi b'ar-tzeinu Eretz Tziyyon v'Yerushalayim.*”

consumed by fire; a spices of sacrifice in use among the Jews and some pagan nations.

- 3 Auschwitz was the largest camp established by the Germans. It was a complex of camps, including a concentration, extermination, and forced-labor camp. It was located near Cracow (Krakow), Poland. Three large camps constituted the Auschwitz camp complex: Auschwitz I, Auschwitz II (Birkenau), and Auschwitz III (Monowitz). More than one million people lost their lives at Auschwitz, nine out of ten of them Jewish. The four largest gas chambers could each hold 2,000 people at one time. A sign over the entrance to the camp read Arbeit macht frei, which means "work makes one free." In actuality, the opposite was true. Labor became another form of genocide that the Nazis called "extermination through work." From United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, <https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org> Accessed 12/03/2023

“Established in 1953 by an act of the Knesset (Israeli Parliament), Yad Vashem, the World Holocaust Remembrance Center, is entrusted with the task of commemorating, documenting, researching and educating about the Holocaust: remembering the six million Jews murdered by the German Nazis and their collaborators, the destroyed Jewish communities, and the ghetto and resistance fighters; and honoring the Righteous Among the Nations who risked their lives to rescue Jews during the Holocaust. Yad Vashem encompasses 45 acres on the Mount of Remembrance in Jerusalem and is comprised of various museums, research and education centers, monuments and memorials. Among these are the Museum Complex, the Hall of Remembrance, the Valley of the Communities and the Children’s Memorial.” From www.yadvashem.org Accessed 12/03/2023



We made our way through only a small portion of the center. Even so, it was very effective at “Remembrance.”

Let me say with great respect that none of us were alive in 1945 when Auschwitz was uncovered; consequently this was more an exercise of Enlightenment, than of Remembrance. It was enlightenment to the dark depravity of man with emphasis that we never forget.



It was enlightenment to the dark hand of Satan, the opposer of Jehovah God, a hand that ever twists in the dark soul of man to bring him to hate what God loves. Such hatred for God's chosen nation Israel, for God's chosen people, the Hebrews, particularly and of late the group called Jews because of God's Messiah's seed-line, the tribe of Judah, that hatred, I say, is beyond reason, and beyond all logic, and it is certainly

diabolical. Our short visit here did enlighten, it enlightened the darkness, but it could not

penetrate the darkness.

Beverly and I remembered together our visit here when we walked through the darkened halls where the names of six million murdered Jews was read aloud. Those halls, lit only by a flickering candle, once again brought us to tears as we stood in this Remembrance Center fourteen years later.

The sun was fast sinking on our eighth day of this journey, and there was not adequate time to absorb all that needed pondered in such a sanctuary. We came here from Golgotha, where the unequivocal love of God, who SO loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, was beyond our comprehension. Now we stood in this place of Remembrance, where the unequivocal hatred of unregenerate man, who SO hated God's people that he murdered six-million men, women, and children, was beyond our comprehension as well.

At supper back at the Prima Kings Hotel a somewhat somber, but more so sober mood prevailed. All that we had taken in on this day stirred our soul, but now rested on weary minds. Curiously, that brought our group together in a more serious and reflective meal together. We hung around for well over an hour after supper. There was reflective talk about things entrenched in our minds by the day, things that made us small. People share better when made small. The help was waiting patiently for access to the last table to be cleared and made ready for breakfast. It was their noted patience that moved our reflections out to the lobby.

Oh, also on the bus ride back to the Hotel, Pastor Lee Pickett raved about, and played some of “The King's Harpists” live from Jerusalem's Southern Steps. I expect I was not the only one intrigued enough to look it up and listen in on youtube, but if so here are excerpts of a newspaper article that accompanied the delightful music.

More than 1,000 Christians from 140 nations attended a conference, hosted by the Jerusalem House of Prayer for All Nations. ... The convocation, which began on the Feast of Trumpets until the eve of Sukkot, featured the harp concert on the Southern Steps of the Temple Mount, the location where Peter is believed to have preached on Pentecost.

The harpists, from 30 nations, led worship in multiple languages while facing the Temple Mount, as the crowd overlooked southern Jerusalem – flanked by the Old City to the west and the Mount of Olives to the east. ... the number of harpists was based on Revelation 14 which talks about the 144,000 who will be singing and playing harps on Mount Zion. <https://allisrael.com> article “The sound of harpists' heard at the Southern Steps of the Temple Mount in worship event” by Nicole Jansezian Published: October 11, 2022

*And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him **an hundred forty and four thousand**, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: **and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:** And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth* (Rev.14:1-3).

It is still worth the youtube search to hear concert excerpts.

Here is the Dec WhatsApp message I sent about this: Merry Christmas! This am while typing in a Half Shekel Journal entry Pastor Lee Pickett was infatuated with The King's Harpists concert on the Southern Steps of Jerusalem. It's well worth a YouTube search. Rev.14:3 speaks of 144k harpists, here they had only 144. Awesome. Sent from my iPhone

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This week, week 9 of Israel's 2023 war, our nation's leftist leaders are pressing Israel for a cease fire, and the acceptance of a two state solution, expecting (with ignorance, incompetence, insubordination and/or insurrection) that diplomacy might quell Hamas' diabolical hatred for God's chosen nation Israel. Ignorance, incompetence, and insubordination prevails in Washington DC.

My prayer, “Our Father, Hallowed be thy name, may all the world know that there is a Jehovah God in heaven who loves Israel; Father bring Washington DC to its pending confusion, and bring victory to your people Israel as they war against your enemies, which are their enemies. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. In the name of Your Only Begotten Son, our Lord Jesus the Christ, Amen.”

Jehovah God said of Israel, *“I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed”* (Gen 12:3). We are not currently standing in a place where God can bless America; we are fast moving toward a WOKE place of his cursing.

Further, we have come to a day in America where riotous chants in the streets call out to “Gas the Jews!” Colleges call out to give the Hamas terrorists “From the River (Jordan) to the Sea (Mediterranean)” and exterminate the Jews. Islamasists have always had diabolical goals for extermination of Israel, and the extermination of what they call “The Great Satan.” Leftist leaders of our society, with Marxist goals of overthrowing America, now openly unite with them, knowing that Islamasists' “Great Satan” is none other than the US of A! Make no mistake, those leftist entities pulling the strings on our senile president know exactly what they are doing.

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"HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR AND VOLUNTEER AT YAD VASHEM WROTE TO HER COLLEAGUES: My dear fellow friends, We all stand hand in hand and we will overcome. The price is awful. We will take the time to cry for them, but now we are fighting for our lives. We stand strong even if we are bleeding. So ... waiting to see you at a better time and go on doing what we do. Love you all. Berthe Badehi"

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There is a misleading chart published by ecumenical, modernist bible promoters. I was given a copy from someones Thompson Chain Reference Bible, and for a hermeneutics class I taught I found multiple errors documented in the slide below. No charge.

Modernist Ecumenical Copyright bibles, must deviate from the KJV and every previous copyright bible in over 60,000 places! They are deviants!

The King James Bible was translated by fifty-seven (57) men, the most highly skilled linguists of their day, men of exceptional expertise under the almighty hand of God, who were divided into six companies which met in cities of Cambridge, Westminster, and Oxford, to take seven years, 1604 – 1611, to translate God's inerrant, infallible, verbally inspired Old Testament and New Testament books into an authorized English Holy Bible which answered only to the original Hebrew and Greek.
D.A. Waite, "Defending the King James Bible, A fourfold superiority: Texts, Translators, Technique, Theology, God's Word Kept Intact in English", The Bible For Today Press, 1992, 62-66
 There had never before, and has never since, been assembled a group of more scholarly men with a more hallowed purpose. Modernist translators, and modern Greek students, give no reason whatsoever for anyone to ever say, "A better English translation is ..." There is no better English translation. (Dr. Edward Rice, "Systematic Theology for the 21st Century, Vol. 1 Prolegomena", 10).

Wycliffe translated from the Roman Catholic's Latin Vulgate: that is why every "presbyter" is a "priest" and every "repent" is a "do penance"

In 1830 Gausson writes in "Theopneustia" XXI. And what have the Latins done? They have considered the fathers, the popes, and the councils of the successive ages of the Roman Church, as endowed with an infallibility which puts them on a level with Jesus, the prophets, and the apostles, if not above them. ... They have thus put the bulls of the bishops of Rome, and the decrees of their synods, above the Scriptures. (L. Gausson, "Theopneustia – The plenary Inspiration of The Holy Scriptures deduced from Internal Evidence, and the Testimonies of Nature, History and Science" (David Scott's translation, Chicago, The Bible Institute Colportage ASSN., 1840), 66-67).

The Roman Catholic corrupted Douai-Rheims bible had no influence on the 57 highly skilled linguists who translated the KJB. In 1582 Douai-Rheims New Testament was published. In 1609 Publication begins of the Douai-Rheims Old Testament; completed 1610.

The Bishops, Geneva, Great, Matthews, Coverdale, and Tyndale translations had nothing to do with the known-corrupt Roman Catholic Latin Vulgate.

William Tyndale (1494-1536) despised the corruption of the Roman Catholic Latin Vulgate.

The two very-corrupted Alexandrian copies are here called "The Most Ancient Copies" The rash assumption that an older manuscript like the Sinaiticus X and the Vaticanus B are free from corruption is fraudulent! The Hebrew letter X (alpha) is used to designate Unical 01, the corrupted Sinaiticus rescued from the trash can by Tischendorf in 1844. The letter B (03) designates the infamous but corrupted Vaticanus unical manuscript (Rice, Edward G. "The 357 Magnum Errors of the Modernist's Critical Texts", published GSBaptistChurch.com, © 2006 (pending). Information for the notes is taken from Aland, Kurt, Aland, Barbara "The Greek New Testament" Fourth Revised Edition, United Bible Society, © 1966, pp 1'-3'7")

There are no original manuscripts. All there are, or ever was are copies of copies of copies.

When Paul wrote 2Tim.3:16 to Timothy, he was NOT referencing originals!

Moses did not even have originals! Cf Exod.31:18, 32:15-16, 34:1, Deut. 17:18

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