

Operation Exodus USA

HOMECOMING – THE RETURN OF GOD'S PEOPLE IN INCREASINGLY PERILOUS TIMES

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A Christian ministry assisting Jewish people moving to Israel





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FIXING OUR GAZE

In these current times of unprecedented upheaval, where are we to place our focus? If we look around us, the world seems to be in crisis at almost every level. Perhaps you and I need to fix our gaze elsewhere.

When Enemies Gather

In these uncertain days, I have turned often to one of my favorite passages: 2 Chronicles 20. In this chapter of the Bible, an amazing story unfolds regarding the children of Israel under Jehoshaphat's leadership.

At the beginning of the chapter, the King of Judah receives notification that the armies of three countries are mustering against his little nation. We can all understand how this information might strike fear in his heart. Even so, Jehoshaphat set all of Judah to corporate fasting to seek the Lord together.

Then, he himself stepped forward to lead his subjects in prayer—first declaring God's power and might, then recounting the many acts of divine faithfulness. Next came his reminder to God of what He Himself had directed His people to do: in times of disaster and crisis, they were to come to His holy temple and cry out to Him for help.

The Cry and the Response

Jehoshaphat's discourse ends with these words from verse 12: "For we have no power against this great multitude that is coming against us; nor do we know what to do, *but our eyes are upon You*."

Their determination to gaze at the One who had promised to deliver them from disaster resulted in an outpouring of prophetic encouragement and direction.

They heard words like, "Do not be afraid or dismayed because of this great multitude, for the battle is not yours, but God's." They heard, "You will not need to fight in this battle", followed by specific prophetic instruction as to what action they should take.

In the end, a looming disaster turned into a dramatic deliverance.

Our Focus in Hard Times

Where are we to turn our eyes when everything in the world seems to be aligning itself against us? We gaze upon the One who alone is able to help us, rescue us, and deliver us—by His power, not ours.

A New Testament counterpart to what Jehoshaphat modeled in this story is Hebrews 12:2, which in the New American Standard version begins with these words: "fixing our eyes." The original Greek translation of that phrase means this: "to turn the eyes away from other things and fix them on something."

In desperate times, we intentionally turn our eyes from everything that might cause us to shrink back in fear. Instead, we look confidently at the One who can help us, and we focus solely on Him.

A Time for Aliyah

How do all these examples about fixing our gaze on the Lord relate to the role and necessity of Aliyah in these turbulent times?

One fact is undeniable from world history. National crises tend to place our Jewish brothers and sisters in heightened peril. Enemies of God's chosen people tend to coalesce in such times to target them specifically and increasingly. A cry like that of Jehoshaphat could understandably go up from his modern-day brothers and sisters: "For we have no power against this great multitude that is coming against us; nor do we know what to do, but our eyes are upon You."

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THE KEY TO THE MIDDLE EAST

Discovering the Future of Israel in Biblical Prophecy by Derek Prince

Operation Exodus USA highly recommends that you make time to read this book in the coming days. It brings a wealth of revelation to what God is doing in the earth and particularly in the Middle East. Our generation has a unique opportunity and privilege to honor God by praying for Israel and the Jewish people. You will discover God's will as it is revealed in Scripture. Let us align ourselves with His purposes, especially during current events taking place around us. The uncertainty of our times requires our total obedience and dependence upon God — it will bring stability and strength to our lives. One thing is for certain — nothing can stop the fulfillment of God's eternal plan to restore the land of Israel and restore His people to Himself.

This book will enrich and bless you. We encourage you to please call our National Office (716.681.6300); we will mail it to you for a donation to support the work of Aliyah. You can also obtain the book directly from Derek Prince Ministries: https://www.derekprince.org/

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THE HOMECOMING OF THE AGES



Therefore say to them, 'Thus says the Lord of hosts, "Return to Me," declares the Lord of hosts, "that I may return to you," says the Lord of hosts.' Zechariah 1:3 NAS



JOHN PROSSER PRESIDENT/CEO

The LORD is using these unprecedented times to warn His people to return home. Aliyah is a stepping stone for God's people to know Him as their God. The homecoming—the return of God's people to their God-given Land—is a perpetual yearning on the Father's heart. From the time they were exiled and scattered, God has desired to capture their hearts and return them home. Zechariah was used by God to warn the people of his time. Through a series of visions and messages, God spoke of His wrath against sin, and judgement for the nations oppressing His people. He also revealed His fierce jealousy for Jerusalem and Zion, and a future restoration.

Today, these warnings and judgements resonate loud and clear as to the condition of the heart of Jews and Gentiles. Rebellion against God is manifesting the decay and destruction in almost every facet of our society. It magnifies our desperate need to return to God by walking in His holiness, righteousness and the truth of His Word. We are in a battle, but our God, the Lord of hosts, has already given us the victory through the obedience of our Messiah, Jesus, the Savior of Israel and the world.

The LORD is using these unprecedented times of peril to warn His people to return home. Aliyah is a stepping stone for God's people to know Him as their God. So far this year, as of mid-October we have had the honor of assisting over 400 Olim (immigrants to Israel) make Aliyah, and we have hundreds more going through the process of returning home. Each Olim is a testimony of God's faithfulness to rebuild and restore Israel.

Shayan is a special young man we have had the privilege of assisting. Here are his photo and testimony (in part):

"There's no place where I feel more spiritually connected, more emotionally pure and driven. There's no place like home. I make it my mission to encourage every Jewish person



I know to actualize the dream of making Aliyah, returning to Israel to write the next chapter together in the story of our people....I cannot wait to return to the place where my heart, body and soul belongs and to make a home of my own in Eretz Yisrael. The Jewish people have never been more alive and well. Am Yisrael Chai!" (The people of Israel are alive!)

Let us rejoice and celebrate Shayan's homecoming. Great is the Holy One of Israel!

We don't know what is ahead of us, but there is One who does! He is the Lord of hosts and our hope, and our trust is focused in Him and Him alone. He has made all provision for the days ahead.

Thank you for your prayers and for all your support.

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"Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh; is anything too difficult for Me?" Jeremiah 32:27 NASB

The Bible records numerous instances of God's power to perform His promises in seemingly impossible situations that were often tumultuous and treacherous. The history of His actions throughout the past two thousand years bears witness that the God of the Bible remains the same.

Jeremiah had been prophesying the Babylonian exile and downfall of Jerusalem. Suddenly he had an opportunity to purchase property in the area, and the LORD instructed him to do so. What? Why? How could this be? Jeremiah's response is recorded in Jer. 32:16-25. His prayer was an outpouring of praise, a recap of recent prophecies, a statement of the current siege taking place, and an expression of perplexity over buying property in the face of what was happening. God's detailed answer began with the provocative question, "Is anything too difficult for Me?"

And looking at them Jesus said to them, "With people this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." Matt 19:26 NASB

The disciples were flabbergasted! Jesus had just shattered their traditional theology; being rich was considered a sign of God's favor (see the context of Jesus' statement). As end-time events unfold, will any of our religious beliefs cause us to be astounded? At such a time, we can trust that the Spirit of Jesus will address our humanistic/limited/ ignorant thinking by an explosion of the Truth in our hearts: "With God all things are possible."

He is preparing us for sweeping circumstances that affect the big picture, and we will encounter unique situations as we serve Him and the Jewish people in the Aliyah. He has proven Himself to us in 2020, which has been a time of extraordinary challenges. Thus far, He has helped us. We may face difficult and seeming impossibilities that we have not imagined. But our God is the God of Jeremiah — the God for whom nothing is too difficult. Our God is Jesus Christ — the God with whom all things are possible. He will accomplish the Aliyah as prophesied.

Be encouraged in heart; be encouraged for prayer; be encouraged for action, no matter what.

"Yes, ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it!" John 14:14 NLT

During these unparalleled times, let us hope, believe, and practice faithful prayer — prayer that really believes... prayers for the "seemingly" impossible. HE WILL DO IT!

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QUAY MESSNER National Prayer Coordinator

OME RETURNING TO ISRAEL – KEY TO GOD'S BLESSINGS

"At that time," declares the LORD, "I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people." Jeremiah 31:1 NAS

This scripture speaks of a time when God will do wondrous things: the time of the homecoming of the Jewish people to Israel.

Our Jewish friends know the importance of Aliyah. However, knowing something and applying it are two different matters. Many times, we do not understand why they will delay to make Aliyah.

During 2020, we have seen many challenges, and life has changed for everyone. But despite the challenges of Covid-19, our Jewish friends were reminded that it is time to Return to Eretz Israel. They understand now, more than ever, that there can be no more delays in making Aliyah. Covid-19 did not stop the plans of our Jewish friends to make Aliyah. It has not stopped them from following their dreams to return home to Israel.

They share with us their thoughts and dreams as they start their preparations for the most important journey of their lifetime and that of their families. They are reminded of God's plans, purposes, and promises that He will continue to call them to return to Israel. They are being reminded that making Aliyah is a call home.

Our Jewish friends know that returning to Israel and to their God is the key to experiencing His blessings.

Talking to Olim and reading their testimonies give us a glimpse into their hearts and thoughts as they decide during these perilous days to make Aliyah. The words of one of the families says it all: "It has always been a dream of ours to call the land of Israel, "home," We know it is where we belong and we have longed for this moment. The truth is that it is not just our dream, but rather it was the dream of our parents and grandparents and great grandparents for the last two thousand years. The Jewish people have been wandering for the last two thousand years, longing for the day when they could return to Israel. So many of them would have done anything to be there. *Now, through the never-ending* kindness from God, the opportunity has actually come for us to return home. It is this burning passion of our ancestors that has given us the courage to make this bold decision. We truly feel blessed to be moving to the land of Israel. Words cannot describe how beautiful the land is and how amazing the people there are. We feel blessed and honored to have this opportunity. Thank you so much for your help in turning this dream into a reality."

For our Jewish friends making Aliyah, these are days of fresh enthusiasm and energy that develop and grow as they settle in the land. We witness this again and again as you assist our Jewish friends with your prayers and support.



SHIRLEY LAWRENSON ALIYAH DIRECTOR

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YOUR IMPACT ON THE HOMECOMING **OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

YOU PRAY — Isaiah 62:6, 7 • **YOU OBEY** — Isaiah 49:22 • **YOU LOVE** — Jeremiah 31:3 **YOU COMFORT** — Isaiah 40:1 • **YOU GIVE** — Romans 15:27

Thank You for giving through these critical times. Your support is crucial, and it enables OEUSA to assist our Jewish friends, as you will read below.



Josh: "I feel that Israel is such an important part of Jewish tradition, and being able to make true the statement of "Next year in Jerusalem" when referring to the retelling of the Exodus during Passover enriches my Jewish experience even more so. I have always wanted to make Aliyah; but now that the time has come, my excitement has built to new levels."

Aaron & Miriam: "Thank you for your generous and kind donation to support our Alivah. It is tremendously helpful to us, especially in these turbulent times for us Jews; we grew up learning our history, which includes so much persecution. We both feel blessed that we live in a generation where Christians are supportive of Jews and pray that together we can build a better world."





Alyssa: "I have never felt more emotional and spiritual than when I stood in front of the Kotel. I have never felt more love for a country than when I stood in the sand in Bat Yam and let the ocean waves roll over my feet. It has been my dream for longer than I can remember to make Aliyah. When I am in Israel, I feel at home."

Fave: "Reasons for making Aliyah are unlike reasons for anything else... it is less about a list of reasons, and more about a feeling. This feeling is rooted deep within me, and I feel it all the time. It is an enormous love for Israel and an unbreakable connection."





Andrew: "My whole life I believed that Israel is my homeland, and I want to finally achieve my dream of living there."



My heart's

INVESTING IN THE RETURN OF GOD'S CHILDREN

ADRIANNE PROSSER OUTREACH DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

The LORD makes it very clear that He will bless those who bless Israel.

Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity. Joel 2:13 NIV

hat a year it has been thus far. I believe perilous times will increase in the days ahead. The contrasts between the governments of this world, versus the government of the Kingdom of God, are striking. We thank God for delivering us from the kingdom of darkness into the light and dominion of the government of God's Son, which surpasses all other rule and authority.

The Father gave His very best; He sacrificed His only begotten son to bring reconciliation and restoration to Israel, His firstborn. Salvation came first to the Jew, and then to the Gentile. God has grafted us into the natural olive tree so

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that we may make our Jewish brothers and sisters jealous for their God. Assisting with their Aliyah allows us to carry His love to them and remind them of their God.

We must never forget that we owe a debt to the Jewish people. The Lord, the God of Israel, the One who calls you by name, invites you to partner with His very heart by making a personal investment in the homecoming of His chosen people. The Father's heart desire is to restore them, love them, and bless them. "He will love you, bless you and multiply you...in the land that He swore to your fathers to give you. From all peoples, you will be blessed..." Deut 7:13-14 TLV

These are unprecedented times, and there is an urgency for Aliyah now. Anti-Semitism continues to rise. Pray for the momentum of Aliyah to build in great numbers—to outpace God's calamity. Many of God's people, facing extreme challenges, are making life-changing decisions right now. Please consider investing in this amazing, holy work. This is a Kingdom investment with guaranteed eternal rewards. The LORD makes it very clear that He will bless those who bless Israel (Gen 12:3).

Thank you for your obedience to God's mandate to pray for Israel, and for the restoration and return of God's people. Together, we are blessing God and making Israel strong.



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