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Martin Luther and Hitler

Rev 19:3; 8:23 — Her smoke rises up... deceived by *her* sorcery. To the Jew the cross has been as much a symbol of persecution and terror as the swastika, only provoking dread. They have an equally repulsive effect. Christianity has willfully persecuted Jewish people throughout the centuries, out of hatred, ignorance, superstition, fear; but all the while proudly displaying the cross during her missions of cruelty. History is full of accounts of Christianity's willful attempts to murder and destroy the Jews. Hitler claimed to stand for “positive Christianity.” A Jew, on becoming a Christian, had to denounce all association with his former friends and family, all his Jewish ties. You were forced to break the Sabbath, to keep Sunday, not to circumcise, and eat unclean meat. They were required to break the law to become Christian (to obey Christ).

The church that endorsed anti-Jewish forces in Europe was the Roman Catholic Church. The Spanish Inquisition was from 1481 until 1808. It is important for Protestants to understand that the Nazi Holocaust was nurtured in the land of the Reformation. Protestants must see the Catholic roots of the reformers. Reformers were once Roman Catholic, the mother who now has many daughters. This same hatred has not been repented of, but only cultured and smoothed over. The old fatherhood is still in the blood — the potential is still there waiting for an opportune time, lurking within their midst waiting for the opportunity.

Legacy — something derived from an ancestor. The legacy of hatred was fostered anew in the Protestant church in Germany and Europe by none other than their founder, Martin Luther. In the beginning he befriended the Jews and spoke well of them in order to win them. But when the Jews remained obstinate and would not repent (because they couldn't make one Jew jealous) he became irritated that they continued to resist the “gospel.” In 1526 he began publicly complaining about the Jews' stubbornness. By the 1530's he was presenting the common medieval stereotype accorded to the Jews. He began calling them “stiff-necked, usurers,” etc. By 1543, at the end of his life, he wrote three derogatory treatises against the Jews, which anti-Semites would quote for the next 400 years. So horrible were his statements that Julius Streicher,

Hitler's hate-sheet propagandist, justified the Nazi's persecution and cited Luther at the Nuremburg trials to justify his deeds. The seed was sown by Luther that brought about the holocaust (1543 - 1943). His words were:

1. Set fire to their synagogues and schools, burying and covering with dirt what won't burn, so no man will see a stone or cinder of them. This is to be done in honor of our Lord and Christendom.
2. I advise that their houses be seized and destroyed.
3. I advise that all their prayer books and Talmudic writings be taken from them.
4. I advise that the rabbis be forbidden to teach henceforth on pain of loss of life and limb.
5. I advise that safe conduct on the highways be abolished completely for the Jews, for they have no business in the countryside, since they are not lords, officials or tradesmen. Let them stay home.
6. I advise that usury be prohibited to them, and all cash and treasures be taken and kept for safekeeping.
7. Put a flail, wheat thresher, axe, hoe, distaff, spade into the hands of young, strong Jews, letting them earn their bread by the sweat of their brow.

So, the seed was planted and grew over the centuries until it flourished in Luther's own homeland where his own Evangelical church flourished from the bad seed of Satan's venom. What happened? In Hitler's time all seven points were carried out. The satanic venom found its full effect in the persecutions of the 1940's. Synagogues were burned, books destroyed, homes were burned or leveled, and wealth (of the rich and poor) was confiscated for safekeeping by the Third Reich. All their rights were taken away. There were work-gangs of young and old — slave labor camps, just as Luther said — where the Jews were forced to work for their pitiful food. And the church righteously stood by praising their Jesus, closing their eyes and saying they didn't know what was going on.

So, Streicher cited Luther's seven points at Nuremberg. Hitler fulfilled these words exactly. So who was more guilty, Hitler or Luther? Luther's very words were carried out, guilty of all that happened according to his proposals. The prophet spoke the tainted word. We must warn those of the Evangelical church of their roots, of impending judgment. All who participate in her sins will share her plagues. Luther brought authority away from the papacy to the state and the individual. All in her participate in her immorality, a prison of unclean spirits.

So where did the Jews flee to? To Judah, specifically the US — New England. They came to America and found freedom. Most of the Jews alive today are in the United States. The first person of Shem to set foot on American soil was a Jew with Columbus, named Luis D'Torres. In 1519 other Jews accompanied Cortes (he later murdered them). The Jews came by boat from the Spanish Inquisition, even Brazil, and sought out homes in New Amsterdam in 1654.

Rev 7:4 — Twelve thousand will be sealed from the tribe of Judah. The Jews came here above all other lands and prospered, making this the tribe of Judah. This is why we are here, because we are Judah, where even the natural Jews have fled to. We are here to help our brothers. Judah is the first, and Rueben will follow. Rev 7 — perhaps the tribes will be established in this sequence. Judah has found freedom to prosper here where the anti-Semitic pressure is less, so we can flourish and defend them. The United States offered the Jew new hope of freedom. The God of Jacob brought them here to create the proper atmosphere for the final expression of His heart in the last days.

Rev 17:5 — Babylon is the fountainhead of all idolatry and systems of false worship. The man of lawlessness will somehow come out from this place.

Our children should know the names of the tribes as listed in the book of Revelation. Is Eze 37 referring to now or the millennial age? Interpretation defies our natural reasoning.

Prejudice is judgment or opinion arising, then formed, without due examination. It arises from unfair press coverage. It is pre-judging. *Bigotry* is obstinate or intolerable attachment to creed or beliefs at the expense of others. *Narrow-mindedness* is liberal mental scope.

Anyone who wants to come away from the deeds of Hitler needs to come out from the deeds of Martin Luther and his systems.

The 14th Generation

Isa 53:10 — The Bride here is the 14th generation (Mt 1). It's this seed prophesied by Isaiah that satisfied Him — The Bride. Heb 3:13 — If you aren't encouraged by your brothers and aren't encouraging your brothers, you will be hardened by sin. It is still a day where we can hear. We are to obey this every day that we live lest this day passes and then another.

Heb 10:24 — Bitter roots neglected by the elders were allowed to spring up and thus defile the many. This happened to the first edah. The toleration of sin increases our hardening. Heb 2:1 — The unconscious nature of this drifting, or sin's power, is arrested by us exercising our spirit to encourage. The alternative is to just reach a point where we fall away.

Heb 10:24 — Self-concern is defeated by encouragement and encouraging. This requires consideration on our part in the Holy Spirit. Some are stimulated, others need further stimulation. Rev 1:3 — You're blessed if this book is read. You and your household are blessed to hear and heed it. There is so much that can be taught from it. The revelation contained in it is inexhaustible. Rev 3:1 — The community at Sardis was incomplete in their deeds, they needed stimulation. Continuing to walk in this stupor will allow the lampstand to be taken away. A few remained in white garments with genuine hope of the kingdom. All those who were overcome lost their place in His book, having been found ashamed of the gospel and His words. Overcoming is to proclaim the gospel without any shame whatsoever.

We could lose our standing here if we fail to heed this. We will be hurt by the second death (Rev 1:3) — some will!

Rev 3:4 — There is a soiling of the garments here that is irrevocable. This is the worthiness we obtain as we walk with Him now, to overcome the forces that would keep us in a deadened state so the soiling would be able to set in. Should we fall here and yet escape, how great should our gratitude be? Our life should be full of love and good deeds forever after.

Titus 3:5 — The washing of regeneration is the new life and a remodeling of our entire being (body, soul, and spirit) into the image of Yahshua. A distorted character and a misshapen body (by our sin) all must be set right by responding to the Holy Spirit's pressures. Genuine sanctification touches every facet of our human life within and without. Godly — God-like, just, merciful, and kind.

Titus 2:7 — People should be an example of good deeds with purity and dignity. When elders see otherwise they have to act to bring in training that these ones can be helped. Titus 2:12 - Grace appears to bring this about. Is everyone receiving grace? Are they loving ones that are sensible, righteous and godly in this present age?

Titus 2:2 — Old men are to be sensible, not controlled by folly. Hats are only worn for genuine need, for warmth or protection. If you wear a hat in the house you will be insensitive to the Spirit. To neglect such obvious standards is to fall into reproach. Beware of gossip with them.

Titus 2:6 — Young men need to be sensible, sensitive to the Spirit's prompting, not carried away by the passions and fancies of life. Did we pray today according to our Master's teachings? Mt 6:9-11 — We pray every day according to the Spirit that guides us.

Kharash: The meaning of the holocaust: the Jesus Christ of Western civilization is a murderer and one that permits murder.

Yahshua did everything opposite of Martin Luther's advice to purify our Father's obstinate, wrong-headed people. Like Yahshua, we will reach out to them in love.