## THE 10 LOST TRIBES OF ISRAEL

Many have speculated and wondered what happened to the other 10 Tribes of Israel in the Bible. It has been often speculated that the 10 tribes have been destroyed, or are in the "Spirit," are of so-called African-American descent, or of so-called indigenous decent. After careful research and diligent study within the scriptures and history, we have concluded that the 10 Lost Tribes of Israel are of so-called Latino/Chicano and Indian descent. First, we must remember that the Tribes of Israel were doomed to be cursed for disobedience (Deuteronomy Chapter 28). While some have concluded that these curses applied to the so-called African-Americans only, historically and prophetically, we have found that the history of the so-called Latinos and Indians are indeed a part of the curses from our Father. We have a kindred spirit, history, and legacy that cannot be ignored. Utilizing the Bible, historical references and geography, we will attempt to prove that the so-called Latinos and Native Americans of indigenous decent are indeed part of the 12 Lost Tribes of Israel.

Deuteronomy 7:6: "[6] For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth."

The Lord declared that the legacy of His people was to be "special," above all people upon the earth. When considering what the word special means, words such as peculiar, different, distinctive, separate and distinguished should come to mind. The Lord placed a spirit within our people that was to be distinctive and different from all the other Nations. This spirit would make the other nations envious of our talents, gifts and warrant praise for our abilities. The so-called Latinos and Native Americans of indigenous decent bear a spirit within them that is only comparable to the so-called African-American. Mentally, physically, and spiritually we have all endured a similar path in life that can only be understood when connected through the Bible. The Aztecs, Olmec, Toltec, Taino, Boriqua, Mayan, Cheerokee, Muskogee, Black Foot, Apache, just to name a few, all have distinctive histories, legacies, and a "special" spirit that can only come from The Most High. All have suffered massive destruction, their lands being stolen, slavery, oppression, robbery, rape, false treaties, deceit and other numerous heinous acts, yet all have endured and continue to thrive [Leviticusiticus 26:44-46]. One of the curses that befell the Tribes was a mass scattering and dispersion from Israel.

Deuteronomy 28:64-66: "And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone. [65] And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: [66] And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life:"

We see that the Israelites were cursed and promised to be scattered throughout the world. So it's important to understand that Israelites have been dispersed throughout the four corners of the globe including the western hemisphere in the land of the North! Why is the North reLeviticusant you may ask? One of the curses suffered during the scattering involved the serving of other gods, severe oppression from the nations where we were scattered, and a fearful mentality full of sorrow, depression and lack of faith. False gods worshipped by the so-called Latinos and Native Americans included among the Aztecs the double headed serpent, Centeotl (the corn god), Chalchiuhtlicue the goddess of lakes and streams and hundreds of others. Among some of the Native Americans gods are the Spider Woman (Hopi), The Great Spirit, Mother Earth, Totem Poles (The Pacific Northwest Tribes), Selu (Corn Goddess of the Cheerokee) and countless others.

Exodus 20:3-6: "[3] Thou shalt have no other gods before me. [4] Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: [5] Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; [6] And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments."

By worshipping these other gods, our people have broken one of the principle commandments of The Most High! This is why the curses cleave to the indigenous peoples of the North, South, Central America, the South Pacific and Caribbean Islands. Also reLeviticusant to the "north country" is the fact that the historical legacy of a large majority of these tribes is tied in with the Americas. All were conquered by either the British, Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch or the French. There is no coincidence of why all the Native American tribes have been conquered and relegated to living on reservations when once they were rulers of the plains and the vast landscapes of America.

It was no coincidence that the Aztec, Mayan, and Inca empires were overthrown, lands stolen, and people massacred. Similar to their aforementioned brethren the Taino, Arawak, and Boriqua Indians went through the same devastations at the hands of the same enemy. Even as it is this day the curses of Deuteronomy 28 have a strong hold on our people. Our people live in the projects, barrios, and ghettos (Deuteronomy 28:16), we are plagued with domestic violence, single parent households, and inter-tribal warfare (Deuteronomy 28:54), high adoption rates, high populations in juvenile detention centers and day cares (Deuteronomy 28:32), laboring in the fields and lands for fruits, vegetables, and tobacco and not reaping the rewards (Deuteronomy 28:33), auctioned slaves, highest population of Latino and Black prisoners (Deuteronomy 28:41), food, clothing and shelter must be bought from our enemies -- Ralphs, Vallarta, El Super, Costco, Food 4 Less, Walmart, the malls, fast food, Sparkletts, Arrowhead (Deuteronomy 28:48).

One key curse that too many choose to forget even Latinos and Native Americans is their history of slavery. Yes, Latino and Native Americans were also transported as slaves throughout the Americas, back to Spain, Portugal and Britain by way of ship. Ships like the Seaflower and others were used to transport Native American slaves. The Spaniards often took slaves from Mexico, Central and South America back to Spain, made them servants and brainwashed them with Catholic doctrine. Scenes of this history can be seen in the Showtime special The Borgias, and books like Squanto.

Deuteronomy 28:68: "And the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by the way whereof I spake unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: and there ye shall be sold unto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen, and no man shall buy you."

In this scripture, it is clear to see a vital curse in the understanding of our scattering. The Lord declared that the Children of Israel would go back into captivity (Egypt) <u>again</u> with ships! Why again? Because we just left bondage in Egypt, he prophesied that we would go into bondage again but this time by ship! No other nation of people share this distinct history besides the so-called African-Americans, Latinos and Native Americans. When the ships docked in the Caribbean, the East coast of Brazil, the Island of Hispaniola, Cuba, Spain, and Portugal, we were auctioned off as slave men and women and no man would buy (redeem) us from this curse because remember The Lord did this to us!

Another point to understand is that the Jews were, and still are a people of color!

Jeremiah 14:2: "Judah mourneth, and the gates thereof languish; they are black unto the ground; and the cry of Jerusalem is gone up."

Judah is the head tribe of Israel. Judah also is where the term Jew comes from. The scriptures are pointing out a time when our people were mourning due to famine and despair, the gates (leaders, priests, pastors) are languishing meaning grown weak and

they are unable to protect or defend our people just like today. The Bible says that the Jews are black (not only in a mourning state, but to also be dark in complexion) and that's why the ground was used to compare the color of our skin to the different shades of brown in the earth! The earth wasn't being used in reference to an emotion or feeling, but rather the shades of the soil from a light sand color to a deep dark chocolate brown. The Israelites are different shades of brown and have never been pale (Isaiah 29:22). Many other scriptures show the color of our people (Exodus 4:5-7, Revelation 1:13-15, Job 30:30, Lamentations 4:8, Lamentations 5:10, and Acts 13:1).

A key point to understand is that the 10 Tribes of Israel were notorious for idol worship and breaking the commandments of The Most High.

Judge 3:1-7: "[1] Now these are the nations which the LORD left, to prove Israel by them, even as many of Israel as had not known all the wars of Canaan; [2] Only that the generations of the children of Israel might know, to teach them war, at the least such as before knew nothing thereof; [3] Namely, five lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, and the Sidonians, and the Hivites that dwelt in mount Lebanon, from mount Baal-hermon unto the entering in of Hamath. [4] And they were to prove Israel by them, to know whether they would hearken unto the commandments of the LORD, which he commanded their fathers by the hand of Moses. [5] And the children of Israel dwelt among the Canaanites, Hittites, and Amorites, and Perizzites, and Hivites, and Jebusites: [6] And they took their daughters to be their wives, and gave their daughters to their sons, and served their gods. [7] And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and forgat the LORD their God, and served Baalim and the groves."

The Lord placed us in the midst of one of our mortal enemies the Canaanites (Africans) to prove us in war and in our diligence in serving the Most High. We failed and dwelt among them learning their wicked practices and took to their customs rather than keeping the laws (Proverbs 12:26). The Aztecs learned of the wicked human sacrifices and cannibalism from the Canaanites. (Psalms 106:34-38; Hoses 8:13). Such acts lead us back into captivity and cause for the great civilizations of the Aztecs, Mayans, Incas, Olmecs, and Toltecs to be destroyed. The drinking of blood was against the laws of The Most High (Leviticusiticus 19:26), something our people also did and do unto this day.

All things, however, were not negative. There as there were many things that the Native Americans and indigenous Latinos did which adhere to the laws of The Most High. These things were done because as Israelites we are prone to keep the law naturally (II Esdras 3:36). Many Native American tribes like the Choctaw, Chicasaw, and Cheerokee didn't make baldness upon their heads (Leviticus 19:27, Leviticus 21:5). The

Choctaw typically didn't eat swine (Leviticus 11:6), many of the tribes had a form of "first fruit" offering dedicated to The Most High (Leviticus 23:10-22). Many Indian tribes had Green Corn Festivals, Brush Feast Festivals, they kept the custom of offerings (an Israelite custom of sacrifice), the wearing of fringes on their garments (Numbers 15:37-41), were mighty men of war (I Chronicles 7:1, 4; I Chronicles 12:25, 30, 33; I Chronicles 5:18). The so-called Latinos and Native Americans have a rich history of being warriors, honorable, defenders and skillful tacticians. Many other laws were also customarily kept by so-called Latino and Native Americans of indigenous decent simply because of our nature (spirit). The Lord told us that we'd always have a zeal for him, but without knowledge (Romans 10:2).

Another key factor which shows the cultural comparisons of the so-called indigenous people of the western hemisphere and the children of Israel was their architectural knowledge. The pyramids found in places like Tikal, Macchu Picchu, Chichen Itza, Chopan, Monte Alban and many others can only be compared in greatness to the pyramid structures found in Egypt! The same place where the children of Israel constructed these archeological wonders (Exodus 1:11; I Maccabees 13:29-30; Hosea 8:13). Although the so-called Latino and Indigenous peoples of the west possessed an architectural knowledge unlike any other nation, they still could not stop their demise. Our downfall is attributed to having a lack of knowledge (Hosea 4:6). Now let's look at the historical dispersion of our people.

**DISPERSION:** The question as to how did the 10 Tribes (So-called Latinos, and Native Americans of indigenous decent) came to the Americas.

Many scientists have come to the conclusion that our people migrated from the East by crossing the Bering Strait. Scientists believe the Bering Strait was like a bridge connecting Russia with Canada, in which the so-called indigenous people walked across this bridge of ice into Canada and later into America. This is a foolish theory and will be disproved with the Bible. The only thing that the scientists had correct is that the so-called indigenous peoples came from the East. We must also understand the history of our people. As stated previously, transgression is what led to our downfall and the curses overtaking the lives of the 12 Tribes of Israel. Approximately in the year 933 B.C. the Nation of Israel was divided into two kingdoms –Southern and Northern. The Southern Region was controlled by the tribes of Judah and Benjamin, while the remaining 10 Tribes controlled the Northern half of Israel. The Northern Kingdom of 10 Tribes continued to break numerous laws of the Lord including idol worship:

I Kings 12:26-33: "[26] And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David: [27] If this people go up to do sacrifice in the house

of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people turn again unto their lord, even unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah. [28] Whereupon the king took counsel, and made two calves of gold, and said unto them, It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. [29] And he set the one in Bethel, and the other put he in Dan. [30] And this thing became a sin: for the people went to worship before the one, even unto Dan. [31] And he made an house of high places, and made priests of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sons of Leviticusi. [32] And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like unto the feast that is in Judah, and he offered upon the altar. So did he in Bethel, sacrificing unto the calves that he had made: and he placed in Bethel the priests of the high places which he had made. [33] So he offered upon the altar which he had made in Bethel the fifteenth day of the eighth month, even in the month which he had devised of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense."

The 10 Tribes had a king, Jeroboam, whom committed high acts of wickedness and helped Israel sin by allowing idol worship, and disrespected the lineage of the priesthood. All of the subsequent Kings of the North followed suit and created an unjust and wicked Kingdom, bound for judgment. Nineteen kings in total ruled the Northern Kingdom of Israel, all in wickedness. The judgment of The Most High happened approximately 722 B.C. when the Assyrian King Shalmaneser took down the children of Israel in the Northern Kingdom and put them in captivity (II Kings 17:1-6; 21:-41). One hundred thirty four (134) years later, approximately 586 B.C., the Southern Kingdom of Israel later fell to the Babylonians. A key point that should be understood before we continue is that Israel was no stranger to sailing the seas. In fact King Solomon had a navy of ships that sailed yearly bringing back treasured victuals from throughout the known world:

I Kings 9:26-28: "[26] And king Solomon made a navy of ships in Ezion-geber, which is beside Eloth, on the shore of the Red sea, in the land of Edom. [27] And Hiram sent in the navy his servants, shipmen that had knowledge of the sea, with the servants of Solomon. [28] And they came to Ophir, and fetched from thence gold, four hundred and twenty talents, and brought it to king Solomon."

The scriptures tell us also that the Tribe of Dan were known seamen (Judges 5:17). So knowing the fact that Israelites have been known to be master travelers by way of ship, let's examine the scriptures regarding the departure of the 10 Tribes from Israel after their Assyrian captivity had been accomplished:

II Esdras 13:40-46: [40] "Those are the ten tribes, which were carried away prisoners out of their own land in the time of Osea the king, whom Salmanasar the king of Assyria led away captive, and he carried them over the waters, and so came they into another land. [41] But they took this counsel among themselves, that they would leave the multitude of the heathen, and go forth into a further country, where never mankind dwelt, [42] That they might there keep their statutes, which they never kept in their own land. [43] And they entered into Euphrates by the narrow places of the river. [44] For the most High then shewed signs for them, and held still the flood, till they were passed over. [45] For through that country there was a great way to go, namely, of a year and a half: and the same region is called Arsareth. [46] Then dwelt they there until the latter time; and now when they shall begin to come."

In this scripture, we see that the 10 Tribes had sought repentance and thought to keep the laws in the new land in which they would travel to. The land Arsareth was a land that mankind never dwelt that took a year and a half to travel to. During King Solomon's reign, his navy would take journeys every three years bringing back gold, silver, apes and peacocks and ivory. Now, if you do the math, the journey the 10 Tribes set out on would take a year and a half, Solomon's navy's journeys took three years. So, obviously they were going roundtrip – a year and a half of going and then returning. Ancient America was known to be a place thriving with these resources. That's why the Spanish Conquistadors sought after South and Central America so hard because of the "cities of gold." It may be true that this land was not occupied by mankind, however, it had been traveled to!

Leaving from the Euphrates, the 10 Tribes traveled east crossing other lands known to have peacocks and apes in the region of Southeast Asia. It is evident to see how Solomon's navy gained access to such items of wealth and prestige. This is why the 10 Tribes of Israel were familiar with this route. Their year and a half journey would land them on the western shores of South America, the lands of Central America, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Cuba, the Island of Hispaniola and lastly the Americas. Many historical books can account for this history in which scholars and explorers agree and have documented that the 10 Lost Tribes of Israel are indeed of Latino, Native American and Indigenous decent. Books of reference to check out are "The History of the American Indians" by James Adair, "The Aztecs" by Richard Townsend, and "Lost Tribes and Promised Lands" by Ronald Sanders. There are many others, but these should be sufficient to start your journey of understanding.

In conclusion, it is vital that we research our true history (Job 8:8). Job advised that even though he was perfect, if he didn't know himself (history, nationality, culture), he would

despise his life! (Job 9:21). Knowing the so-called white man has gained control and influence upon the world, (Job 9:24), it is important to realize he has changed history, artwork, destroyed records and books. Yet, the one thing that he couldn't change is the spirit within the chosen people of The Most High! The Apostle Paul made it clear in our determination of who the children of Israel are:

Romans 8:16 "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:"

We understand that the spirit of an individual is going to dictate their path and testify to the testimony of the 12 Lost Tribes of Israel. Paul advised not to chase after or be overly concerned with endless genealogies (1 Timothy 1:4). Allow the Spirit of Faith to play a part so the fullness of Christ can be made manifest. It's important to know your historical background as best you can, but what if someone is adopted and doesn't know their father? It is for this very reason why 1 Timothy 4:1 is pertinent. Joining ancestry.com or any of these other DNA proving sites can't be trusted and removes the Faith of Christ out the picture. If we stick to the prophecies, the judgments, the history of the scriptures, along with our cultural history, we can't go wrong in Christ!