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Genesis 12:3

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And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of ALL THE NATIONS, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”
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Matthew 28:18-20 (The Great Commission)
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  the Descendants of Noah’s 3 Sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth, travelled from the EAST (which means, they travelled Westward) from where the ARK landed toward Shinar. Everyone at that time spoke only One Language. Under the rebellious leadership of Nimrod, many of them build a City (Babylon / Babel) and started to build a Tower of Pride and Rebellion – to make a Name for themselves – Fired Brick and Tar for Mortar – Waterproof Tower – so high, as to avoid another Global Flood, maybe?
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After the FLOOD of Noah’s Day …
the Descendants of Noah’s 3 Sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth, Built BABEL and the TOWER of BABEL …
God came down and confused their Language –
God is the one who invented all the Languages, People Groups, Nations, Tribes … it was His IDEA …
So, lets read Genesis 11:1-9; Genesis 10 (the aftermath after the confusion of the languages); and the rest of Genesis 11:10 thru 12:3. Abram/Abraham – God will use Abraham and His descendant to be His Blessing to the Nations (Goyim or Ethné) – Gentiles / Nations
GENESIS
Chapter 11

The Tower of Babel

make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They had brick for stone, and they had asphalt for mortar.

Now the whole earth had one language and one speech.
2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they dwelt there.
3 Then they said to one another, “Come, let us

4 And they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.”
GENESIS

Chapter 10

Nations Descended from Noah

Now this is the genealogy of the sons of Noah: Shem, Ham, and Japheth. And sons were born to them after the flood.

2 The sons of Japheth were Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech, and Tiras.

3 The sons of Gomer were Ashkenaz, Riphath, and Togarmah.

4 The sons of Javan were Elishah, Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.

5 From these the coastland peoples of the Gentiles were separated into their lands, everyone according to his language, according to their families, into their nations.
Therefore its name is called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

This is the genealogy of Shem: Shem was one hundred years old, and begot Arphaxad two years after the flood.

After he begot Arphaxad, Shem lived five hundred years, and begot sons and daughters.
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Because of their Unified REBELLION Against God …

God divided them up so that they would be HUMBLED.

Then God chose one sliver out of one of those 70 “nations” (people groups) … God chose Abram/Abraham ➔ God would Bless all the Nations
God did NOT choose the Chinese, the Arabs, the Cushites, the Canaanites, the Hamites, the Sidonians, etc. ...

In God’s Sovereignty, He CHOSE Abraham and Abrahams Descendants .... Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (Israel) ...

and through Israel (the nation) – God would BLESS the Nations with His Salvation...

This is why God tied His NAME with them ...

I AM the GOD of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob

(Exodus 3:13-15)
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When God told Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac, after God stopped him ... Then the Angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time out of heaven, $^{16}$ and said: “By Myself I have sworn, says the LORD, because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, your only son - $^{17}$ blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies. $^{18}$ In your seed ALL THE NATIONS of the earth shall be BLESSED, because you have obeyed My voice.” Gen. 22:15-18

This Covenant Blessing would now be conveyed to Isaac.
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Gen. 26:1-5 → ISAAC
There was a famine in the land, besides the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And ISAAC went to Abimelech king of the Philistines, in Gerar.

2 Then the LORD appeared to him and said: “Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land of which I shall tell you. 3 Dwell in this land, and I will be with you and bless you; for to you and your descendants I give all these lands, and I will perform the oath which I swore to Abraham your father. 4 And I will make your descendants multiply as the stars of heaven; I will give to your descendants all these lands; and in your seed ALL THE NATIONS of the earth shall be BLESSED; 5 BECAUSE Abraham obeyed My voice and kept My charge, My commandments, My statutes, and My laws.”
And behold, the LORD stood above it and said: “I AM the LORD God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants. Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed ALL THE FAMILIES OF THE EARTH shall be BLESSED. Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you.”
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Isaiah 49:6
Indeed He says, ‘It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant
To raise up the tribes of Jacob,
And to restore the preserved ones of Israel;
I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles,
That You should be My SALVATION to the ends of the earth.’ ”

This, prophetically, spoke of the nation of Israel, and of Israel’s Messiah … dual fulfillment …
   Jesus, Yeshua, the Messiah of Israel – through His Israeli Apostles to the Gentiles, the “Goyim” or the Nations
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Isaiah 11:1-2, 10

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.

2 The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of Wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of Counsel and might, The Spirit of Knowledge and of the fear of the LORD.

10 And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, Who shall stand as a banner to the people (i.e. Israel); For the Gentiles (goyim, nations) shall seek Him, And His resting place shall be glorious.
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Psalm 18:49 (ref. 2 Samuel 22:50) –
Therefore I will give thanks to You among the NATIONS, O LORD, And I will sing praises to Your Name.

Psalm 117:1 –
Praise the LORD, ALL NATIONS; Glorify Him, ALL PEOPLES!
God be merciful to us and bless us, and cause Your face to shine upon us, Selah

2 That Your way may be known on earth, your SALVATION among ALL NATIONS.

3 Let THE PEOPLES praise You, O God; let ALL THE PEOPLES praise You.

4 Oh, let THE NATIONS be glad and sing for joy! For You shall judge the people righteously, and govern the nations on earth. Selah

5 Let THE PEOPLES praise You, O God; let ALL THE PEOPLES praise You.

6 Then the earth shall yield her increase; God, our own God, shall bless us.

7 God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.

➡️ God will Bless Israel with Salvation to Bless all the Nations
Matthew 24:14 - And this GOSPEL of the KINGDOM will be preached in ALL THE WORLD as a witness to ALL THE NATIONS, and then the end will come.

Strategy – reaching all the Ethnic Groups, People Groups, Peoples, Nations, Tongues, and Tribes ... Focus ...
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Revelation 5:9-10 – We sing this right after the Rapture in Heaven:
And they (we) sang a new song, saying:
“You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals;
For You were slain, and have REDEEMED US to God by Your blood out of every TRIBE and TONGUE and PEOPLE and NATION,
And have made us kings and priests to our God;
and we shall reign on the earth.”

The Church will Fulfill the Great Commission by the Time of the Rapture (ref. Matt. 24:14) – all Peoples, Nations, Tongues and Tribes
Revelation 7:9-14 – Tribulation “saints” in heaven …

After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, from ALL NATIONS, TRIBES, PEOPLES, and TONGUES, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, “Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?” And I said to him, “Sir, you know.” So he said to me, “These are the ones who come out of the Great Tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.”
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The 144,000 and the Two Witnesses – their Ministry will Fulfill the Great Commission by the Middle of the Great Tribulation (ref. Revelation 13 thru 15) – all Peoples, Nations, Tongues and Tribes to where the Church already went ➔ the Gleanings
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Isaiah 2:1-3 – God’s Blessing toward the Nations / Gentiles

Now it will come about that in the last days the mountain of the house of the LORD will be established as the chief of the mountains, and will be raised above the hills; and all THE NATIONS will stream to it.  

And many PEOPLES will come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that He may teach us concerning His ways and that we may walk in His paths.”

For the LAW will go forth from Zion and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

During the Messianic Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ The Nations remaining will do this ➔ Trust in Jesus
Malachi 1:11 – God’s Name Exalted Among All Nations

For from the rising of the sun, even to its going down, My Name shall be GREAT among the Gentiles; In every place incense shall be offered to My Name, and a pure offering; For My Name shall be GREAT among the NATIONS,” Says the LORD of hosts.
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Romans 1:16 – For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ. For it is the power of God for SALVATION to everyone who believes, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile.

God’s Mission to the Nations starts After the Flood, After the Tower of Babel incident of dividing the Peoples into Linguistic, Social, Family Groups (i.e. Peoples, Nations, Tongues, and Tribes). God would choose one family to bless all nations.

From that point, God’s Sovereign Choice of Israel and through Israel – The Messiah of Israel to be the Savior of the World … His LIFE, Crucifixion-Death, Burial and Resurrection would be Salvation unto All Nations … How do you fit into His Plan?