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## The Jews.

Special prayer for the speedy conversion of the Jews is asked for December. This request must be specially acceptable to every Christian heart, and has suggested the following thoughts on the subject :—

The most casual reader of current literature cannot fail to observe the great prominence now given to the Jews. The thoughts of many formerly indifferent, are being directed to their marvelous preservation for 1800 years amid persecutions and under circumstances which would have destroyed any other nationality. So remarkable is this, that when a King of Prussia asked his chaplain for a simple and conclusive proof of the truth of Christianity, the reply was, "The Jews."

The continuance of this people is the plain fulfilment of the words of elective mercy uttered by the Holy Spirit through Jeremiah, "Thus saith the Lord, which giveth the sun for a light by day and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night: If these ordinances depart from before Me, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation from before Me for ever." The preservation of the Jews is a manifest witness to us of the truth of the words spoken by the same Spirit through Paul, "God did not cast off Israel whom He foreknew," and also of the great principle of the divine will that "the gifts and calling of God are without repentance." The divine interest in the Jews is everywhere shown in Scripture, and the nation is even distinguished as "Israel, My Glory." "Blessed is every one that blesseth thee" are words spoken of this people alone, and from this nation was the Sceptre to arise to whom the gathering of the people should be.

The veil still remains on the eyes of this strange people, yet their attitude towards Christianity has materially altered in late years. Many eminent rabbis are writing and speaking