

soul has come bubbling up some of earth's sweetest melodies, in whose ranks we find Abraham, Elijah, Moses, Samson, Elisha, David, Solomon, Peter, James, John, Paul, Silas, and the Lord of Life and Glory, the Son of man. All from the seed and stock of Israel. O who DARE despise the Jew whom God hath not despised, though long and sore chastised. Does not our compassion extend her arms to shield, to tell the old, old story, of His love for them, of Him, who wept o'er Israel? Does not justice call out "Pay back the debt you owe the Jews?" What do we owe them? Every thing! Whom do we worship as the only Name given under heaven among men whereby we must be saved, as the only Mediator between God and man. It is the Man Christ Jesus, and who is this Man? He is a Jew, He is Emmanuel, very God, and very Man. As Paul tells us after the flesh, Son of the patriarchs, God over all, blessed forever, Amen. Why have we such peace and happiness in this loved Canada of ours? Why floats the Union Jack over a soil where tyranny is uncountenanced, where home is a safe retreat, where law and order reigns? Why? Because some of these Jews were the first missionaries that carried the glad tidings afar, till distant lands took up the glad refrain, told by Jewish lips, written by Jewish pens, while the Jewish prof-martyr Stephen, sealed it with his blood, as the Jew-Man Jesus stood at the right hand of God to welcome home the released spirit.

There are many reasons that might be given for preaching the Gospel to the Jew. It was Christ's command, and to them the Master went first. There is still another reason, viz.: the signs of the times. An extraordinary increase in the Jewish people, also in the civil condition of the Jews, also the newly manifested love of Protestant Churches to the Jews, also the disposition of the Jews to listen to Christians, also the world-wide expectation of the Jews, also the numbers of conversions that have taken place among them, and the world-wide attraction that is now centred in Jerusalem.

This subject is vast. Suffice to say that as Methodists, let us awake to the all-glorious privilege we have of preaching the Gospel to earth's aristocracy—the Jew. Their harps of joy are now hung on the willows, but when we have taught them of Jesus and His salvation, and the Holy Spirit has opened their hearts to the truth, they will take them down again and tune them to the song of Moses and the Lamb. Once more shall Hosanna to the Son of David resound from Jewish voices, and missionaries of the seed of Jacob, shall go to the isles afar off and declare the glory of God among the Gentiles.

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