

PRAYER CARD LEAFLET.

JUNE.

SCRIPTURE READING.—Rom. xi. 1-12, 25-33,

For the Conversion of the Jews.

THE DEBT WE OWE THE JEWS.

We have only to let our minds revert to their great and glorious past, and look out into their still more great and glorious future, to see *how much* we owe the Jews. To them, thousands of years ago, was given the whole revelation which God gave to man; all the promises of God were entrusted to their care; the covenants which God enacted with man, were enacted with them; the moral law was placed in their hands, twice written by the finger of a covenant-keeping God.

All the rites and ceremonies instituted at Horeb, which were only types of greater things to follow, were all given to the Jews.

Among them was found the wisest of men, and the sweet singer of Israel; the wisdom of the one permeating all Christianity today, the poems of the other sounding in clarion notes over the hill-tops of time.

The prophets were Jews; the four evangelists were Jews; the twelve disciples were Jews; Paul the first missionary to the Gentiles was a Jew, as also were the seventy disciples sent forth by our divine Lord, and the 3,000 converted at Pentecost.

Then, when persecution arose in Jerusalem, who carried the glad tidings of a Saviour—born, crucified, risen, exalted—through Judea, Samaria, Galilee, Corinth, Rome, Asia Minor, Antioch, and the regions beyond? Even distant Africa received the blessing through the Chamberlain of Queen Candace, through Philip the Jew. And He who wept over Jerusalem—He whose tears as well as blood fell on this earth, He whom all angels praise, He, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Rose of Sharon, the Lily of the Valley, our Elder Brother, Prophet, Priest, and King, who has ascended on high—He, as regards His human nature, was a Jew.

We too often forget what we owe the Jewish race, and think only of their guilt in the rejection of the Saviour. Alas! alas! too many so-called Christians crucify their Lord afresh, and put Him to an open shame.

To-day the Jews are despised, scattered, forsaken, without a king; without their land, but God's word cannot be broken, they shall yet be gathered from all places of their dispersion, and brought to their own land. Isa. xi. 11; xxii. 12, 13; xliii. 5, 6; xlix. 11, 12; lx. 4. Jer. iii. 18; xvi. 14, 15; xxiii. 3; xxxi. 7-10; xxxii. 37; Zec. viii. 7, 8; x. 8, 9, 10.

If we had space we could show from God's Word the glorious destiny that is in store for this grand people. They shall be very glorious and a blessing to the whole earth. See Isa. xix. 21, 25; lxi. 9; Jer. xxxiii. 9; Ezek. xxxiv. 26; Zeph. iii. 19; Zech. viii. 13; xii. 8; Rom. xi. 15.

"The conversion of the whole world to Christ, the coronation of the King of Zion as King of Nations can be effected only by a Jew." (Rev. Dr. A. W. Miller.) "Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem, they SHALL PROSPER that love thee."

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