

## Old Testament prophets predicted a revival of the Church, the New Israel

2 Pet 1:20-21 **Knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation (only God's counts) for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.**

1 Pet 1:12 **To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us (Christians) they were ministering the things which now have been reported to you;**

Natural Israel – the word means those ruled by God – were once God's chosen people

Deut 7:6 (Israel) **For you are a holy people to the LORD your God; the LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for Himself, a special treasure...**

Ps 33:12 **Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people He has chosen;**

Today Jews are not ruled by God but only in Christ Christians, they're now the New Israel

1 Pet 2:5 **You also, as living stones are...a holy priesthood...in and by Jesus Christ.**

9 **You are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness (sin) into His marvelous light (into Christ, He is God's light).**

Jeremiah the Prophet foretells of a coming ingathering of a remnant into Zion, into Christ

Jer 31:7 **...Say 'O Lord save Your people, the remnant of (New) Israel (the Church)**

8 **Behold, I will...gather them from the ends of the earth, Among them the blind and the lame, the woman with child a great throng will return there.**  
(Note: the return of the Jews from captivity in Babylon was not a great throng)

9 **They will come with weeping, and prayer I will lead them. I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters (My word), In a straight way in which they will not stumble; for I am a Father to Israel, Ephraim (fruitfulness) is My firstborn.**

10 **"Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, And declare it in the isles afar off, and say, 'He who scattered (cast away) Israel will gather them, And keep them as a shepherd does his flock' (why have Christians fallen away)**

[Jer 3:13 **Only acknowledge your sin, That you have...scattered your favors to false gods...and you have not obeyed My voice, says the Lord**

1 Pet 2:25 **For you were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls (your will, where you choose)]**

11 **For the Lord has redeemed Jacob (re-named Israel after God ruled Him), And ransomed him from the hand of one stronger than he (the Devil).**

12 **Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion (meaning, God's presence, or Christ) Streaming to the goodness of the LORD...Their souls shall be like a well-watered garden, And they shall sorrow no more at all.**

Mat 24:14 **This gospel...will be preached...to all the nations, then the end will come.**