Subject: The difference between Israel & the Body of Christ. Posted by Marilyn Crow on Wed, 30 Sep 2015 01:49:49 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

When Jesus was manifested on earth He told His disciples who He was – the Son of God & that He would die as a sacrifice for sin, that He would rise again, go to the Father & send the Holy Spirit. These are truths of Christ for all to know. All scripture teaches us about Christ, from the promised seed, to the one that would appear as the Word made flesh. Every truth of Christ is written for us to learn of Christ.

Now besides Jesus teaching Israel of Himself He also told them specific things concerning their nation – their future & their inheritance. Then again we read that when Jesus ascended to the right hand of the Father He revealed to the Apostle Paul the revelation of another group - the Body of Christ & told them, by His Holy Spirit specific things concerning them – their future & their inheritance.

Thus it becomes quite clear, I believe, when we contrast the different details, to see – Israel`s inheritance & the Body of Christ`s inheritance. Let`s have a look at God`s word concerning this important topic.

ISRAEL – Jesus is king over Israel. `â€lhe who is born king of the Jews.`(Matt. 2: 2) BODY OF CHRIST – Jesus is Head of the Body.`â€lholding fast to the Head..(Christ)`(Col. 2: 19)

ISRAEL – Israel will rule over the nations. `Lord will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?` (Acts 1: 6)

BODY OF CHRIST â€" The B/C will rule in the third heaven. `To Him who overcomes, I will grant to sit with Me on My throneâ€l` (Rev. 3: 21)

ISRAEL â€" The 12 disciples will rule over the 12 tribes of Israel. `Peter â€lsaid â€lwhat shall we have? â€l.youâ€lwill â€lsit on 12 thrones, judging the 12 tribes of Israel.` (Matt. 19: 28) BODY OF CHRIST â€" The B/C will be king priests in the third heaven. `(Christ) has made us kings & priests to His God & Father,â€l` (Rev. 1: 6)

ISRAEL â€" They do not know the times & seasons. `(Jesus said) `It is not for you to know times or seasonsâ€l.`(Acts 1: 7)

BODY OF CHRIST – They do know the times & seasons. `But concerning the times & the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the Day of the Lord so comesâ€!..`( 1 Thess. 5: 1 & 2)

ISRAEL â€" The Lord will come as a thief to Israel. `` But know this, that is the master of the house had known at what hour the thief would come, he would have watchedâ€l` (Matt. 24: 43)

BODY OF CHRIST â€" The Lord will not come as a thief to the B/C. `But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief.` (1 Thess. 5: 4)

ISRAEL – Israel shall inherit the Earth. `Blessed are the meek (of Israel) for they shall inherit the earth.` (Matt. 5: 5)

BODY OF CHRIST â€" The B/C `s inheritance is in the third heaven. ``â€lto an inheritance incorruptible & undefiled & that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,â€l` (1 Peter 1: 7)

There are more details to contrast but this is a start. It is thus quite clear to me that God has made 2 different groups for 2 different purposes, yet all under the Lordship of Christ. Each group in different areas of God`s great kingdom ruling & reigning with Christ, who is –

`â€lfar above all principality & power & might & dominion, & every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come.` (Eph. 1: 21)

Do you know any other differences in scripture between Israel & the Body of Christ?

Marilyn.