

federal funds from these schools. Oddly enough when money comes into play Jew hatred takes a back seat at our universities, which proves that some thought is going on. Also in America we have Lloyd Shofield, a concerned citizen of San Francisco. If he and his cronies can gather just 7,168 signatures, a proposal for a ban on circumcision will be placed on November's ballot. He is not the first to attack this Jewish tradition. Massachusetts tried to do away with that custom in a failed 2010 attempt. These are thinking and deliberate people.

Another point to be made are the accusations that follow them around. People commonly use the slur "Jewing" to describe how they got a bargain by pressuring someone down below fair pricing. "Christ killer" has been used throughout Europe for centuries to rationalize murder and atrocities against the Jews. In modern times "war criminals," "genocide," and "colonialists" are common phraseologies used in the UN to demonize these people. A new study conducted by Dr. Kupper, of the University of Bielefeld, shows that when they made the statement, "Israel is conducting a war of extermination against the Palestinians," 47.7 percent of Germans and 63.3 percent of Poles agreed. Another comment used in this survey was, "Considering Israel's policy, I can understand why people do not like Jews." That one garnered 35.6 percent of Germans, 35.9 percent of British, 41.1 percent of the Netherlands, 55.2 percent of Polish, 45.6 percent of Hungarians, and 48.8 percent of the Portuguese polled were in agreement. This is not irrational dislike, this is thought filled distrust and hatred referred to as "secondary anti-Semitism."

Another thing we have to consider is how widespread this hate is. If this hatred is so irrational then why do we see such worldwide Jew hating? We now know with certainty that the Nazis poured propaganda into South America, North Africa, and the Middle East in order to fill those places with hate for the Jew and make it impossible for the Jews in those places to be at peace. A large part of why the Muslims hate them so much today is the effective teaching of the Nazis. They rationalized hatred, and the people accepted it, because they "thought it through" and it "made sense" to them.

If there are any rational answers about life to be had in this world we must find them in truth. Real answers can be found in the Bible, for God's revelation is truth. Let us look now to the book of the Law, Deuteronomy, chapter 28. Herein we find the blessings of keeping covenant with God. But by far the greater part of the chapter is curses for breaking covenant with God. Verse 37 states that, "thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword, among all nations whither the Lord shall lead thee." Since the covenant was interwoven with the "land of promise," part one of the breaking of the covenant meant the "vomiting out" of the people from God's

land. Part two of the breaking of the covenant says that they will be cursed and persecuted wherever they wander. Men have done just that.

There is a two-fold reason for this and a lesson for us. First of all, God doesn't want the Jew to be complacent nor comfortable anywhere in the world. Secondly, His judgment was in mercy, to cause them to look to Him for deliverance. And finally, the lesson that we can learn from this is that if we turn from living according to the truth of God's word, we too will be cursed and without comfort, not only in this life but in the life to come. If God did not spare the natural branches, He will not spare us.

Why all of the fuss over the Jew? God is forcing them back to himself and using the devil to do it. In wrath He will remember mercy for Abraham's seed, according to His covenant with Abraham. He has a controversy with the nations because of their unjust dealings with the wandering Jews, and He will judge them for how they have dealt with them. Can the ax boast against the One who hews therewith? He will gather the Jew to Himself and He is using the anti-Semitism of the nations to do it, and that is why all the fuss.



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