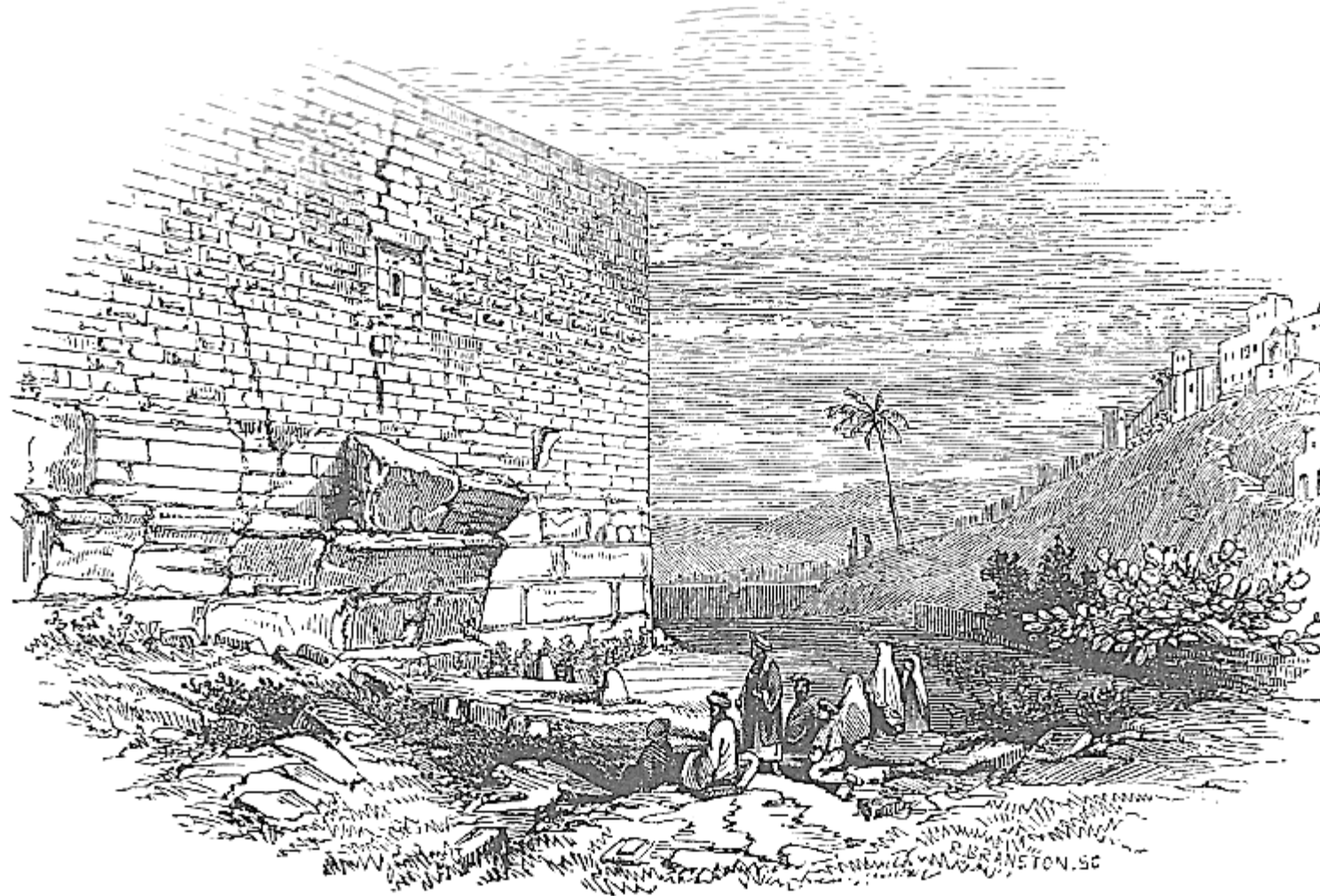


“Foundations of the Faith” (The History of the country of Yasharel)

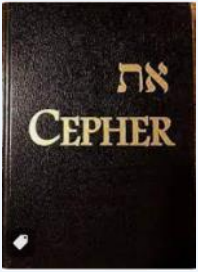


“Foundations of the Faith”



- **Part 0 – Overview of the problem why we need to rewind back from the Council of Nicaea**
- **Part 1 – The History of Yasharel (country) - Why are there so many groups of people, sects and alternative Jewish beliefs**
- **Part 2 - The Doctrines of the Early Faith - Who are the people and what specifically are their beliefs**
- **Part 3 The followers of “the way” (known in documented commentary as “Jewish Christians”)**

Main Books referenced



Extra Books: Tobit
Esther
Jasher
etc
Names Bachrites
Tahanites
etc

<https://www.cepher.net/>



Interpretation of history
into a biblical framework
PDF at:
<https://stevenmcollins.com/>

THE ANTIQUITIES OF THE JEWS
Flavius Josephus



Available online via Amazon etc
and also publicly available on
various online archives and
PDF.

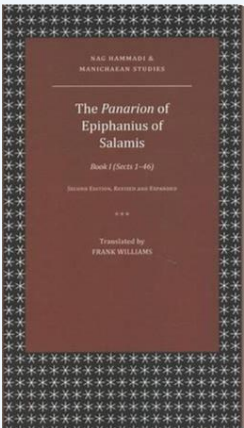
https://archive.org/details/theAntiquitiesOfTheJews_507

*The Cambridge Ancient
History Volume 7*

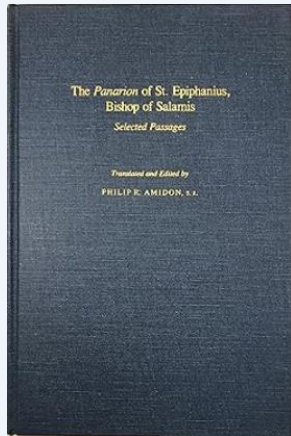


Available online via Amazon etc
and also publicly available on
various online archives and
PDF.

The Panarion of St. Epiphanius, Bishop of Salamis



Frank Williams
Translation



Philip R. Amidon
Translation

Used for reference, original text clearly not
in copyright however the translations are..!
Hence will be paraphrasing from these
editions.
Available online via Amazon etc and also
publicly available on various online archives
and PDF.
First translated into English in 1987.

**This presentation is for
teaching and educational
purposes only, not for
profit and not for sale.**

**All articles are clearly
referenced.**



Yasharel “ The emptying of the whole land”.

733BC Captivity Wave 1 – Large part of Northern Kingdom removed

2Ki 15:29 “all the land of Naphtaliy, and carried them captive to Ashshurah.”
1Ch 5:26 “Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh

721BC Captivity Wave 2 – 27,290* Northern Kingdom peoples taken away

2Ki 17:5 Then the king of Assyria came up throughout all the land, and went up to Samaria, and besieged it three years.

Northern Tribes Escaped – Carthage, Ireland, Britain, Spain, USA etc

En Force to Armenia & Caucasus Mountains – Jewish Writer – 10 Tribes spotted

”Eldad stated that these Israelites who migrated via an overland route did so in considerable force.” “that many of the people did not go into captivity, but evaded the calamity, going off with their flocks, and turning nomads, and that the chief or prince whom they appointed could muster 120,000 horse and 100,000 foot.”

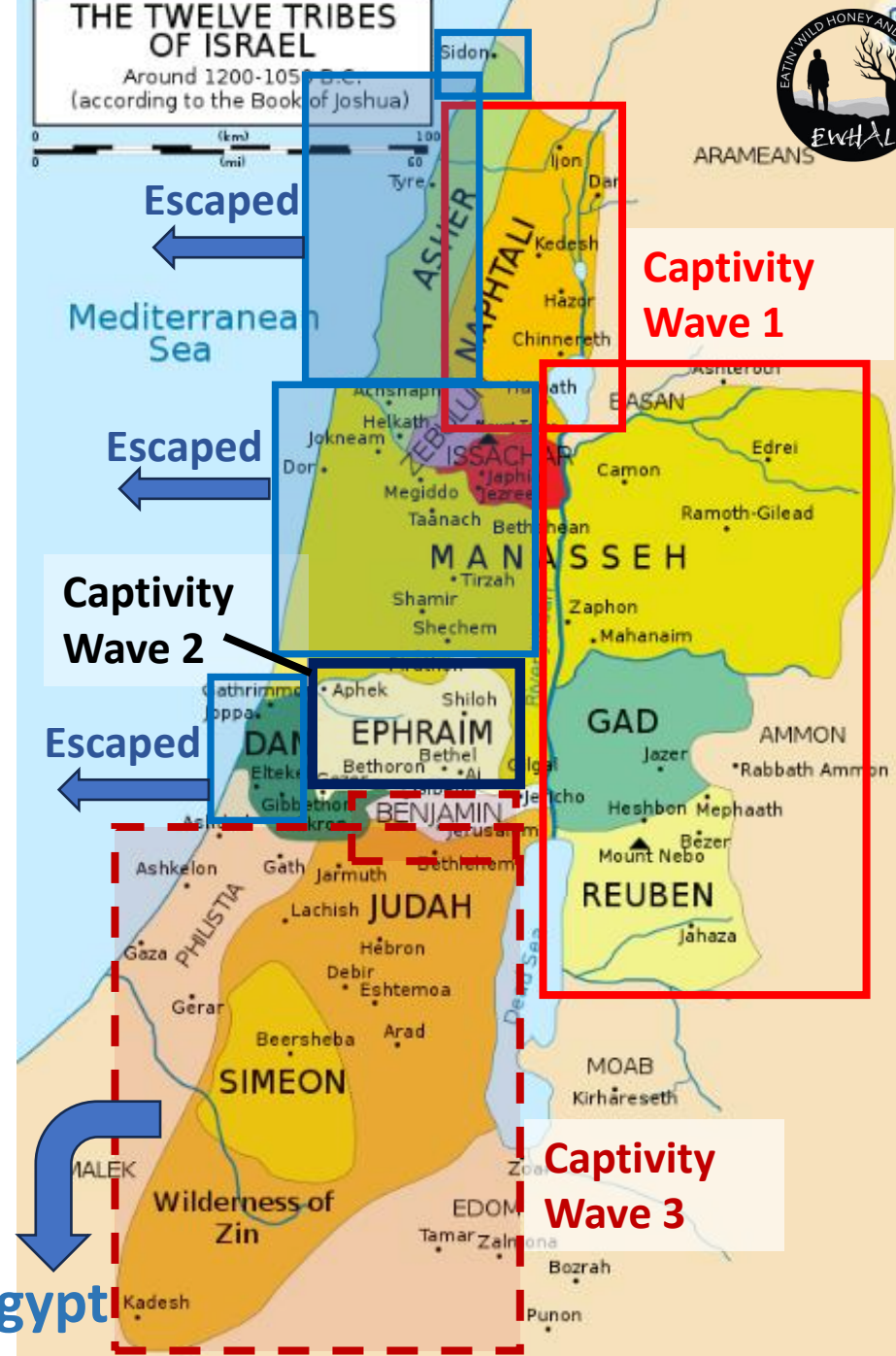
LostTenTribes Gawler, Our Scythian Ancestors Identified With Israel, P9

597-586BC Captivity Wave 3 – Judah, Benjamin, Simeon to Babylon & Susa

597BC 2Ki 24:14 And he carried away all Jerusalem, and all the princes, and all the mighty men of valour, even ten thousand captives, and all the craftsmen and smiths: none remained, save the poorest sort of the people of the land.

586BC 2Ki 25:11 Now the rest of the people that were left in the city, and the fugitives that fell away to the king of Babylon, with the remnant of the multitude, did Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carry away.

**The cuneiform records of the Assyrians claim only 27,290 captives in this final campaign, all of whom came from Samaria (Keller the bible as history P246) – credit Lost Tribes of Israel Found*



Yasharel “The decimation of Judah”



597BC Migration out – leaving only the unskilled peasants behind

2Ki 24:14 And he carried away all Jerusalem, and all the princes, and all the mighty men of valour, *even* ten thousand captives, and all the craftsmen and smiths: none remained, save the poorest sort of the people of the land.

586BC Migration out & slaughter – leaving only the unskilled peasants behind

2Ki 25:11 Now the rest of the people *that were* left in the city, and the fugitives that fell away to the king of Babylon, with the remnant of the multitude, did Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carry away.

2Ki 25:12 But the captain of the guard left of the poor of the land *to be* vinedressers and husbandmen.

Gedaliah Made Governor of Judah & Murdered

2Ki 25:22 And *as for* the people that remained in the land of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had left, even over them he made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, ruler.

2Ki 25:24 And Gedaliah sware to them, and to their men, and said unto them, Fear not to be the servants of the Chaldees: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon; and it shall be well with you.

2Ki 25:25 But it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, the son of Elishama, of the seed royal, came, and ten men with him, and smote Gedaliah, that he died, and the Jews and the Chaldees that were with him at Mizpah.

All the people of Judah escape and head to Egypt

2Ki 25:26 And all the people, both small and great, and the captains of the armies, arose, and came to Egypt: for they were afraid of the Chaldees.

Now what happened ?

We will see a pattern of
Colonization and Conversion



Yasharel “The Re-occupation” – Immigration 1 Samaria



<https://bibleatlas.org/full/sepharvaim.htm>
<https://bibleatlas.org/cuthah.htm>
<https://bibleatlas.org/hamath.htm>
<https://bibleatlas.org/ahava.htm>

721-681BC Sometime in this region of time there was migration back into the land

2Ki 17:24 And the king of Assyria brought *men* from **Babylon**, and from **Cuthah**, and from **Ava**, and from **Hamath**, and from **Sepharvaim**, and placed *them* in the cities of Samaria instead of the children of Israel: and they possessed Samaria, and dwelt in the cities thereof.



Yasharel “The Re-occupation” – Immigration 1 Samaria



The new dwellers of Samaria (Samaritans)

2Ki 17:25 And so it was at the beginning of their dwelling there, *that* they feared not **Yahuah**: therefore **Yahuah** sent lions among them, which slew *some* of them.

2Ki 17:26 Wherefore they spoke to the king of Ashshur, saying, The nations which you have removed, and placed in the cities of Shomeron, know not the manner of the **Elohai** of the land: therefore he has sent lions among them, and, behold, they slay them, because they know not the manner of the **Elohai** of the land.

2Ki 17:27 Then the king of Ashshur commanded, saying, Carry thither one of the priests whom ye brought from thence; and let them go and dwell there, and let him teach them the manner of the **Elohai** of the land.

2Ki 17:28 Then one of the priests whom they had carried away from Shomeron came and dwelt in Beyt-El, and taught them how they should fear **Yahuah**.

Note: This history is confirmed in the Bishop of Salamis’s “Panarion”, but it states that only the first 5 books containing the Law “Torah” were given.

Yasharel “The Re-occupation” – Immigration 1 Samaria

The Samaritan Torah & worship

EZRA 4:1 When the adversaries**** of Yahudah and Binyamiyn heard that the returned exiles were building a temple to the Yahuah Elohiym of Yashar’el, 2. they approached Zerubbabel and the heads of families and said to them, “Let us build with you, for we worship your Elohiym as you do, and we have been sacrificing to him ever since the days of King Esar-haddon* of Assyria, who brought us here.”

*Reign: 681–669 BC

But Zerubbabel, Jeshua, and the rest of the heads of families in Israel said to them, “You shall have no part with us in building a house for our Elohiym, but we alone will build unto Yahuah Elohiym of Yashar’el, as King Cyrus of Persia has commanded us.”

Notes:

- As we will find out the Samaritans (who say that the Samaritan Torah is the oldest) is only the first 5 books – This Torah would pre-date many of the writings of the prophets which started in around 760BC with Amos...!
- Clearly this above argument with Zerubbabel had an impact as we are told that “A Samaritan temple dedicated to Yahweh was built on Mount Gerizim during the 5th century BCE”** ***

*** Flavius Josephus THE ANTIQUITIES OF THE JEWS : L.13, C.9. ****Panarion chapter 10.1 confirms Samaritans

*<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Esarhaddon> **https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mount_Gerizim

https://www.conformingtojesus.com/charts-maps/en/map_of_ancient_roman_samaria.htm



<https://www.viralcovert.com/2019/06/04/biblical-map-of-israel-and-egypt/>

Yasharel “The Re-occupation” – Immigration 2

538-516BC Temple Builders 49,897 people returned (under Zerubbabel)

Ezra 1:64-67 The whole assembly together was 42,360, besides their male and female servants, of whom there were 7,337, and they had 200 male and female singers. Their horses were 736, their mules were 245, their camels were 435, and their donkeys were 6,720.

458BC Return of the Law and leadership under Artaxerxes the king – Ezra (chapter 8 takes around 2000+ people)

EZRA 7:25 And you, Ezra, after the wisdom of your Elohiym, that is in your hand, set magistrates and judges, which may judge all the people that are beyond the river, all such as know the Torah of your Elohiym; and teach ye them that know them not.





538BC – Persian king Cyrus the Great decreed that all exiled Jews in his kingdom could return to their homeland.

2Ch 36:22 Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD *spoken* by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and *put it* also in writing, saying,

2Ch 36:23 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth hath the LORD God of heaven given me; and he hath charged me to build him an house in Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah. Who *is there* among you of all his people? The LORD his God *be* with him, and let him go up.

538-516BC Temple Builders 49,897 people returned (under Zerubbabel)

Ezra 1:64 The whole assembly together was 42,360, 65 besides their male and female servants, of whom there were 7,337, and they had 200 male and female singers. 66 Their horses were 736, their mules were 245, 67 their camels were 435, and their donkeys were 6,720.

- Restored the alter and started sacrifices (Ezra 3,4)
- 516BC Finished Rebuilding Temple (Ezra 3,4,6)

458BC Return of the Law and leadership under Artaxerxes the king – Ezra (chapter 8 takes around 2000+ people)

EZRA 7:6 This Ezra went up from Babel; and he was a ready scribe in the Torah of Mosheh, which Yahuah Elohai of Yashar'el had given: and the king granted him all his request, according to the hand of Yahuah Elohayu upon him. And there went up some of the children of Yashar'el, and of the priests, and the Leviyim, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nathiyn, unto Yerushalayim, in the seventh year of Artachshashta the king.

EZRA 7:25 And you, Ezra, after the wisdom of your Elohiym, that is in your hand, set magistrates and judges, which may judge all the people that are beyond the river, all such as know the Torah of your Elohiym; and teach ye them that know them not.

445BC Nehemiah rebuilds walls of Jerusalem

NEH 2:5 And I said unto the king, If it please the king, and if your servant have found favor in your sight, that you would send me unto El-Yahudah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres, that I may build it



Yasharel “The Re-occupation” – Immigration 3

333 BCE Alexander defeated King Darius III at the Battle of Issus* – Greeks take over from Babylonians

The Greek name *Phoinike* (*Phoinix*) is first mentioned by Homer, in Homer, Phoenician is synonymous with Sidonian. Though the exact extent of the region called Phoenicia cannot be determined, the name is clearly the Greek equivalent of Canaan.**

Abridged, source: “The Cambridge Ancient History, Volume VII, Chapter 5.5”

Phoenicia in the late fourth and early third centuries was Hellenized to a comparatively large extent. At that time Phoenicians were at home in Greece, Athens, Rhodes- and Corinth, and the Greeks at home in Phoenicia.

As far back as the Ptolemaic rule, Judea, that is the city of Jerusalem its territory and adjacent district inhabited by the Jews was surrounded by a ring of “Greek” cities.

Some of those were cities containing a fair number of Macedonian and Greek settlers, military and civilian, some of them ancient commercial cities which had developed along the same lines of gradual Hellenization as the neighbouring cities of Phoenicia.

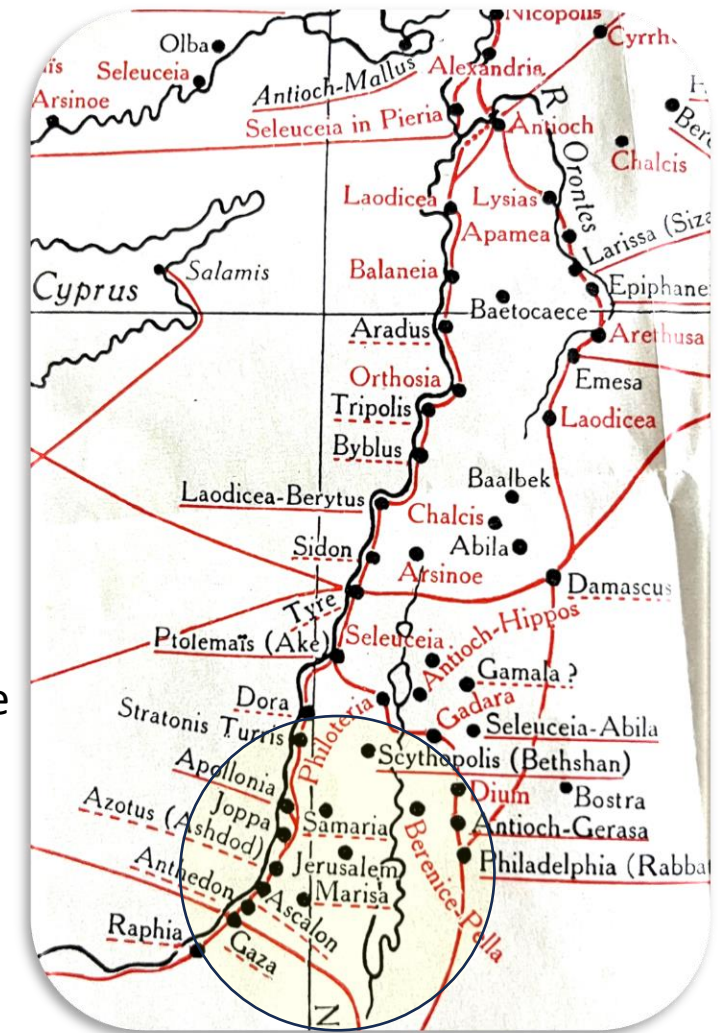
The coastal towns of Apollonia, Joppa, Azotus,, Ascalon, Anthedon, Gaza and Raphia.

In Samaria the city of Samaria itself and Nysa Scythopolis had undoubtedly a considerable Greek population.

At Marissa in Palestine there certainly existed a colony of Sidonians, for the most part Greeks, with its own self-government and representatives. Tombs excavated from around 200BC. (Joseph Ant XII, Macc VI).

Trans-Jordan Philidephia, Philoteria, Arsinoe reflect Ptolemaic (Egyptian) foundations.

However Pella, Dion, Gerasa, Gadara, Abila were formed by various Seleucid (Greek) kings.



*<https://www.britannica.com/event/Battle-of-Issus-Persian-history>

**https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/phoenicia-phoenicians-jewish-virtual-library?utm_content=cmp-true



Yasharel “The Re-occupation” – Conversion to Judaism of the settlers

~166 BCE The Mattathias campaign

1 MAC 2:42-46 Then came there unto him a company of Hasidaeans who were mighty men of Yashar'el, even all such as were voluntarily devoted unto the Torah.

Also all they that fled for persecution joined themselves unto them, and were a stay unto them. So they joined their forces, and smote sinful men in their anger, and wicked men in their wrath: but the rest fled to the heathen for help.

Then Mattithyahu and his friends went round about, and pulled down the altars: And what children soever they found within the coast of Yashar'el uncircumcised, those they circumcised valiantly. תִּצְפֹּה

~125 BCE John Hyrcanus conquers the land

Flavius Josephus THE ANTIQUITIES OF THE JEWS : L.13, C.9.

1. But when Hyrcanus heard of the death of Antiochus, he presently made an expedition against the cities of Syria, hoping to find them destitute of fighting men, and of such as were able to defend them.

However, it was not till the sixth month that he took Medaba, and that not without the greatest distress of his army. After this he took Samega, and the neighboring places; and besides these, Shechem and Gerizzim, and the nation of the Cutheans, who dwelt at the temple which resembled that temple which was at Jerusalem, and which Alexander permitted Sanballat, the general of his army, to build for the sake of Manasseh, who was son-in-law to Jaddua the high priest, as we have formerly related; which temple was now deserted two hundred years after it was built. Hyrcanus took also Dora and Marissa, cities of Idumea, and subdued all the Idumeans;

and permitted them to stay in that country, if they would circumcise their genitals, and make use of the laws of the Jews; and they were so desirous of living in the country of their forefathers, that they submitted to the use of circumcision, and of the rest of the Jewish ways of living; at which time therefore this befell them, that they were hereafter no other than Jews.



Excerpt from Hippolytus, The Refutation of All Heresies, Book IX part 22

The Essenes (specific sub-group)

But the adherents of another party, if they happen to hear any one maintaining a discussion concerning God and His laws—supposing such to be an uncircumcised person, they will closely watch him and when they meet a person of this description in any place alone, they will threaten to slay him if he refuses to undergo the rite of circumcision. Now, if the latter does not wish to comply with this request, *an Essene* spares not, but even slaughters.

And it is from this occurrence that they have received their appellation, being denominated (by some) *Zelotæ*, but by others *Sicarii*.

Yasharel – The defining Jewish Sects at the time of Yahusha



We will be looking at the key beliefs of the following groups, what differentiated them from each other, how did they interpret the Torah and how do they compare to the later “followers of The Way” (Judo-Christian Sect) of the Ebionites ?

- Judaism
- Samaritans
- Essenes
- Sebuaeans
- Gorothenes
- Dositheans
- Sadducees
- Scribes
- Pharisees
- Hemerobaptists
- Nasaraeans
- Ossaeans
- Herodians

“Foundations of the Faith”

