





**Zechariah 8:23**  
**Gentiles, Fringes and Jews**

## **Disclaimer:**

**As with many of these kinds of teachings, this is not designed to create a crisis of faith. This is not an attempt to judge any person or group, but to change the way we practice our faith in יהוה and apply His sacred word to our lives so that we live the way he designed us to live.**

# Objectives

- \* The Biblical definition of Gentile.
  - \* How did the ancients understand the term Gentile?
- \* In Hebrew, sometimes context is everything.
- \* Christianity or Judaism?

## **Zechariah 8:23 (KJV)**

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**Zechariah 8:23 (ICB)**

**This is what Yahovah of Heaven's armies says: At the time, ten men from different countries with different languages will come. They will take. Hold of one Jew by his coat. They will say to him, “Let us go with you. We have heard that Yahovah is with you.”**

# **Who Are The 10 Men?**

# Gentile/ Nation Gowy Strong's # H1471

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Rarely goy. A foreign nation, a Gentile, a troop of animals, or a flight of locusts. Gentile, heathen, nation, people.

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Behold

Nail  
Attach

Gather  
Walk

Those who are gathered who behold the nail

## Article of First Mention

### **Genesis 10:1-5**

- 1) Now these are the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood.**
- 2) The sons of Japheth: Homer, and Magog, and Madai. And Javan, and Tubal and Meshech and Tiras.**
- 3) And the sons of Homer: Ashkenaz, and Riphath and Togarmah.**
- 4) And the sons of Javan, Elishah and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.**
- 5) By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands, every one after his tongue, after their families in their nations.**

**Can the 10 men be the  
Lost Tribes?**

# Zechariah 8:7

Thus saith Yahovah of Hosts, “Behold I will save my people from the east country and from the west country.

## Zechariah 8:13

And it shall come to pass, that as  
ye were a curse among the  
heathen, O House of Judah and  
House of Israel, so I will save you  
and ye shall be a blessing: fear  
not; but let your hand be strong.

# Tribes of Israel

## House of Israel

Asher

Dan

Gad

Issachar

Joseph

(Mannessah/Ephiram)

Naphtali

Ruben

Simeon

Zebulon

Levi

## House of Judah

Judah

Benjamin

Levi

# Can the House of Israel be a Goyim?

**Genesis 17:4**

**As for me, behold my covenant  
is with thee and thou shalt be a  
father of many nations (Goyim).**

**Leviticus 26:33**

**And I will scatter you among  
the heathen and the land of  
your enemies shall eat you up.**

***Context is everything!***

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Skirt

Strong # H3671

כַּף

An edge or extremity, specifically of a bird or army, a wing of a garment or bed-clothing, a flap, skirt quarter, uttermost part, wing.

Can this be the tsiytsith?

Tsiytsith

Strong # H6734

צִיצָת

A floral or wing like projection, a forelock of hair, a tassel, fringe, lock

Context is essential...

# Isaiah 3:6

When a man shall take hold  
of his *brother* of the house of  
his father, saying, “Thou hast  
clothing, be thou our ruler,  
and let this ruin be under  
thy hand”

# Command of the Tsiytsith

Numbers 15:38-39

**38 Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of the borders a ribband of blue.**

**39 And it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the Lord and do them, and that ye seek not after which ye use to go whoring.**

# Verses where קָנָף (Kanaph) is used:

## 1 Samuel 24:4

And the men of David said unto him,  
Behold the day of which Yahovah said  
unto thee, Behold, I will deliver thine  
enemy into thine hand, that thou mayest  
do to him as it shall seem good unto thee.  
Then David arose, and cut off the skirt  
(Kanaph) of Saul's robe privily.

## Ezekiel 16:8

Now when I passed by thee and looked upon thee, behold thy time was the time of love, and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness, yea, I swear unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, saith Elohim and thou becomes mine.

**Psalms 17:8**

**Keep me as the apple of the  
eye, hide me under the shadow  
of thy wings (kanaph).**

**Tsitiz → application → Kanaph**

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# Question for Discussion:

Why does the Jew, Gentile or anyone else not take hold of a Christian and say take me with you?

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