

# Holland Identified with the Tribe of Zebulon

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The Dutch people have had wonderful blessings in this end time. They have had colonies around the world. Have made huge advancements in Cartography, and the printing press. Not to mention its oil stakes in its former colonies, and of course the riches it has in the South African colony. All these advances attributed by the Dutch, are these prophesied in the Bible? Can we identify the Dutch with one of the tribes of Israel?

## The Tribe of Zebulon

In the days when the tribes settled in the promised land, one tribe, the tribe of Zebulon settled in the north of Palestine by the sea. Afterwards, this tribe, along with the other tribes of the Kingdom, or House of Israel went into captivity in Assyria. What happened to them? Where did they go? Did this tribe settle in the country we know as Holland? Bible prophecies, and tribal identities, along with secular histories, and tracking these tribes shows this to be true. And as we see, God is like a shepherd, moving his people along, guiding them into the places where he wants them to be in the end time.

## Settled in Assyria

When Israel was taken into captivity, the areas in Assyria that they were taken to were, "And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria, and put them in *Halah and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes:*" (2 Kings 18:11).

When the tribe of Zebulon was taken, and settled in Assyria, we see there tribal names in many of the ancient maps. Afghanistan anciently in the Assyrian period "In early Scythian times the name Zebulon was recalled in ZABULISTAN which was to the south and *south-east of Hara in the Iranian area...*Eldad HaDani (ca. 800 c.e.) ..He mentioned the Tribe of Zebulon in the Paran Mountains, meaning the Paroutas by the Zagros to the east of Mesopotamia. Zebulon seems to have been also located (in part) further east where there once existed a kingdom called ZABULISTAN which was named after a people *who evacuated the region sometime prior to the moslem period*. Zabulistan was associated with the area south of Kabul (in Afghanistan) and also encompassed Sakastan. It had been colonised by the Scythian hero called 'ZOHAK', whose name is actually a variant of ISAAC. Zohak was considered responsible for having settled the *inhabitants of Zabulistan in their places*" (pp.321, 57 *The Tribes*, Davidy, emphasis his and mine). Here we find Zebulon known as Zabulistan in the very area that the Bible says they would be, in Hara, in Iran.

With the help of the Bible, we can see the tribal names of the Israelites in these areas of Assyria (now Iran) in these ancient maps and histories which makes it easier to trace many of our peoples today including Zebulon.

"*And the sons of Zebulun; Sered, and Elon, and Jahleel.*" (Gen 46:14).

"And over the host of the tribe of the children of Zebulun was Eliab the son of Helon." (Num 10:16). These are the sub tribal names of Zebulon. These main names especially "Elon" or "Helon." Helon is obviously the name of HOLLAND today! (see, Davidy, *The Tribes*, p.323).

Again, back in the Iranian area, the settlements of Israel in these areas we discover also that this name Zebulistan, "The name *is also found* in the Sabalingoi ...The name SABALINGOI means 'People (Goi) - of - ZEBULON' since in Northern dialects 'Sabalin' and Zebulon would have been alternate pronunciations of the same name: The 'Z' was replaced by 'S'; and 'goi' means **people** in Hebrew. The Sabalingoi were to the north of the Sigulones (whose name in Hebrew means "Chosen Ones") and of the Saxons and in turn, *to the north of the Sabalingoi were the Chali sons of Jahleel (Yachlayl in Hebrew, and the Y - would have been dropped) (Genesis 46;14). Jahleel was a son of Zebulon as was Sered and also Elon.*" (Ibid, emphasis added). Again, the tribal names of Zebulon appear in the area of Zebulistan, conserving the names of the sons of Zebulon, and having the areas named after them.

After this settlement, the tribes of Israel began to migrate into Europe and Scandinavia. Again we see these same tribal names appear. "The name is also found in the Sabalingoi of south Jutland and Frissia recalled by Ptolemy...From Jutland and Scandinavia there were several waves of migration into the area of nearby Holland *so the Sabalingoi and Chali [sons of Jahleel son of Zebulun] may have moved to the Netherlands' region*" (ibid, p.321, emphasis added). These tribal names appear in Holland among the Dutch people.

### **Zebulon in the "Latter Days"**

Now that we have discovered Zebulon to be the peoples of Holland. What does the Bible say about these people? Is the land of Holland identified? Is the national economy, the national characteristic of Holland prophesied in the Bible?

In Genesis 49, Jacob prophesied, what would "befall you in the last days." (v.1). These were prophecies for each specific tribe of Israel. Where they would be, what kind of power they would possess, and their national characteristics.

Of Zebulun he wrote, "Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he shall be for an haven of ships; and his border shall be unto Zidon." (v.13).

A dictionary definition of the word "haven" includes the alternate meanings "any sheltered, safe place; refuge," and "a port, harbor" (Webster's New World Dictionary, p.343). The Bible prophesied that the Zebulunites would inhabit an area that was a "haven" (i.e. a "shelter" or "refuge") from the sea. Since the Israelites migrated into Europe from Asia, we need to look for a European nation which is "sheltered from the sea." That nation is the Netherlands (Holland). Much of Holland's land is quite literally "sheltered from the sea" via its *dike system*, so the prophetic description of a "haven of the sea" is quite apt. The phrase "haven of ships" indicates that the land of Zebulun must also include a major harbor facility. Indeed, the Amplified Bible translates this phrase as "a landing place for ships."

The Dutch port of Rotterdam has become the busiest seaport in the world. The Encyclopedia Americana states concerning Rotterdam: "Its port, in volume of freight handled, is the largest in the world ... In addition to foreign trade, the port handles the huge barge traffic that is carried on the Rhine River and associated waterways ... The port now extends continuously from Rotterdam to the Sea. At the mouth of the New Waterway lies the great port complex of Europort ('Gateway of Europe')" (p.805).

Not only is Rotterdam the busiest ocean-going seaport, it is now a gateway to all of Europe via a system of interconnected canals on Europe's mainland.

"his border shall be unto Zidon." How is this fulfilled in this latter day? Stephen Collins explains, "The key may lie in the Hebrew word translated "border," which literally means "**thighs**." This Hebrew word is so translated in Daniel 2:32 in the phrase "its belly and **thighs** of brass." This phrase is part of a description of a body, and denotes the lower torso down through the uppermost portion of the legs of a statue seen in a dream since Daniel 2:33 refers to the statue's "legs" as being different from its "thighs". In other words, the ancient Hebrew word for "thighs" in Genesis 49:13 includes the pubic area. [On this specific translation, I wish to acknowledge the assistance of Dr. Charles Dorothy, a graduate of Claremont Graduate School, who checked the above analysis for accuracy.] How could a reference to the human pubic area point to the modern Dutch nation?

"The Dutch capital of Amsterdam is world famous for its 'red light district' offering all manner of erotic/sinful pleasures in its various 'sex shops.' The CBS television program '60 Minutes' featured (in its 1990-91 season) a program about the Amsterdam 'sex district' which includes prostitutes openly peddling their bodies just behind windows at street level! In 1992, the Dutch Parliament effectively legalized the prostitution industry by repealing a law which previously had banned pimps. *The ancient Sidonians were famous for officially tolerating sinful sex practices which were part of the fertility cult practices of Baal worship. Wicked Queen Jezebel, whose name is synonymous with brazen sexual temptation, was a Sidonian.*

*"Official Dutch tolerance of a major industry in sexual sin parallels the Sidonian tolerance of similar practices, and would give meaning to the Genesis 49 prophecy*

*about modern Zebulun being comparable to the sexually-sinful Sidonians*" (The Lost Ten Tribes of Israel Found...pp. 403-4-4, emphasis added). The latter day nation of Holland fulfills all of the specifics of this prophecy.

But there are more prophecies about Zebulun. "And of Zebulun he said, *Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out*; and, Issachar, in thy tents....They shall call the people unto the mountain; there they shall offer sacrifices of righteousness: *for they shall suck of the abundance of the seas, and of treasures hid in the sand*" (Deut 33:18-19). Zebulun was to rejoice in its "going out."

"Zebulun possessed a commodious sea-shore and the *fisheries* of the Lake of Tiberias: and was therefore to thrive by commerce, and to rejoice in his "going out," i. e., *in his mercantile enterprises. ...*" (Barnes Notes, emphasis added). The agriculture and fishing industries of Holland are implied here.

The Dutch still claim that *a Dutchman invented the method of curing herring* (haringkaken) by a man called Willem Beukelsz from Biervliet in Zeeland. The Swedish make the same claim. Anyhow it is a historical fact, that as early as 1320 A.D. the Dutch used a refined method of salting herring by putting them in their ancient natural salt pans (already desired by the Romans!) along the river Scheldt.

Anybody who knows something about the tremendous role the preservation of herring by salting has played during the middle ages.



**CURING HERRING IN THE 18TH CENTURY**

Up till recently, it was realise that it was indeed a *blessing* meant to save entire populations living in the Celtic fringe of North West Europe: One barrel of salted herrings saved a family of a sea-farers crew from starvation during long winters of sailing the seven seas. Even nowadays the herring is Holland's most popular sea food. Every spring when the new (green) herrings are caught, it is a mad international race between Scottish, Danish, Dutch, Russian and other fishermen as to who will get the first one. After that there is the traditional Dutch race for the first boat of the fleet to be home. The first herringtube back in Holland has the honor of presenting the green herring to the Queen, who of course eats it raw as every good Dutch man and woman does. Ever seen a Dutchman at a fishstand gulping a herring down his throat? An old left-over custom from Zebulun?

Anyhow it is remarkable that the fishing port of *Scheveningen* (at the Hague coast) *claims to be the largest herringfish harbor of all Europe*. A fact is, that for 300 years the Dutch herring held a monopoly on the European market. In the 16th and 17th centuries there were two thousand herringtubes (boats) and *one fifth of the entire Dutch population was occupied in the herring industry!* (450,000 men in those centuries according to *Seafish* guide by Elsevier, 1966, the whole population then being just over two million).

Think of that! One fifth! And think of all the other inhabitants of the Netherlands having such Zebulunite occupations as ship building (very advanced for those days, even Czar Peter the Great from Russia came to learn ship building here!) draining, piling, making nets, building dykes, repairing harbors. It was Dutchmen who "sent to sea" - still a nostalgic dream of every Dutchman - who fought at sea, who traded at sea, who were pirates at sea, who were occupied with discovering foreign lands, like New Zealand. Think of the retired fishermen, the elderly men, who sit talking all day at the harbors! One may say that almost all the Dutch lived and worked, at least part of their days, at the seashore or natural harbors, fulfilling the blessing to Zebulun. The 16th - 19th centuries were the most blessed periods for Holland, being internationally the heyday of fishing and shipping, when the expression made sense: "Every Dutchman is a fisherman." (Quote From *Strange Parallel*, by Helene Koppejan, pp.43-45).

Also connected with the fisheries is the textile industry. The Tribe of Zebulun in the Land of Israel was occupied in the Purple-Dye industry, in the making of White-glass, and in Fishing (Numbers Rabah 13;16). The Purple-Dye was produced from a sea -mollusc by a complicated chemical process and the dye then applied to textiles in a manner which also required expertise. Modern Holland is prominent in both the Chemical and Textile Industries and also in Metallurgy. The production of white glass uses what could be considered metallurgical principles.

As for the agriculture, the cows in abundance making fresh milk to churn butter and produce the famous cheese, that has been exported and enjoyed around the world. This abundance of agriculture in Holland "yielded riches to the farmers in their golden days of free enterprise...its nature...gives the Netherlands its wealth" (ibid, p.64). So "*Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out*"

In the latter part of that prophecy it claims that Zebulun, "suck of the abundance of the seas, and of treasures hid in the sand."

The connection with Holland is obvious! The Dutch literally, "sucked out" the sea via their system of dikes and windmills. Not to mention in 1962 Holland "discovered a huge 'gas bell' under the northern Netherlands and North Sea, while boring for oil! Sucking gas in abundances from the Seas! What a treasure for the Celtic fringe this new gas belt has become" (ibid, p.64)

The phrase "treasures hidden in the sand" refer to the same thing, and its meaning which also identifies the Dutch. What "treasure," frequently "hidden in the sand," has become critically important in the modern world? The answer is petroleum, and one of the largest, worldwide oil companies is "Royal Dutch/Shell." The Dutch nation formerly had overseas colonies of its own, the largest of which was oil-rich Indonesia (known for centuries as the Dutch East Indies). Indonesia became independent of the Dutch after World War II, and is now a member of OPEC. However, the Royal Dutch/Shell Oil Company is still one of the premier oil-

producing companies of the world. It is unique in that it bears the name of a modern European in its corporate title, unlike Exxon, Standard Oil, Mobil Oil, etc.

The other treasures of the sand of course is also Diamonds. No historian ever deny that South Africa is mainly a Dutch plantation. The interests of the Dutch East India Company with their speedy "flyboats" in the 17th century were mixed with the missionary activities of the young Protestant Republic in the 16th and 17th centuries with its many refugees, mainly Huguenots, who have formed the bulk of the Dutch settlers in South Africa. Undoubtedly their "going out" has become a blessing for that land. "Is it still strange that there are groups in South Africa today who see themselves as offshoots of Zebulun through their descendency from Holland?" (ibid, pp. 68-69). The Diamond Industry in South Africa is now the supplier of all the worlds diamonds.

South Africa, the former Dutch settlement, seen as an offshoot from Zebulun, is the land of diamond mining. Almost like a symbol the largest rough diamond has been discovered in South Africa: the Cullinan in *Transvaal* in 1905. This one was sent to *Amsterdam* to be cut and is now part of the crown jewels of England. (see Encyclopedia Britannica, nr. 7, page 317, 1960 edition)

*Amsterdam*, the capital of the Netherlands, has since ages been famous for its *diamond-cutting* industry, its cleaving, dividing and setting. This hand process in which generations of mainly Jewish diamond workers of Amsterdam have excelled is still the best.

"South Africa produces most of the world's diamonds which, on the whole, are processed and traded with in Belgium. South Africa is *dominated by the Boers who mainly descend from, Dutch settlers and in Belgium the people of Flanders are considered to be of Dutch affiliation* " (The Tribes, p.323, emphasis added). Its Interesting how in the Jewish Encyclopedia, which is based on ancient *Jewish tradition*, the *diamond is mentioned as the symbol for Zebulun*. The Stone of Zebulun (on the Chief Priest's Breastplate) was a diamond (Exodus Rabah 38;5).

### **Deborah's Blessing on Zebulun**

In the book of Judges when Deborah was the leader in Israel. After their victory against the Canaanites, she prophesied with the Spirit of God, that "out of Zebulun they that handle the pen of the writer." (Judges 5:14).

"...Zebulun wielding the writers' pen" (Judges 5:14). This means skilled in writing. The word "pen" here in the Hebrew means "branched off stick or scion for punishing," see Strong's Exhaustive Concordance for writing or fighting, for ruling.

It was especially used in this sense to inscribe, to recount, to number. The word used here is "sepher," which is known in the Bible as the word for a book or a roll.

"It is therefore not out of place to associate it with the means with producing books and printing letters" (Strange Parallel, p.71, Helene Koppejan). History shows that Guttenberg "refined" the printing press, but a Dutch man named Coster of Haarlem (Holland) is considered "by some scholars [as] the first inventor of printing" (Encyclopedia Britannica, vol. 2 and vol. 18, 1961, edition).

The printing press lead to the freedom of the printed word of God, and the availability of it for the average citizen.

From the Book Strange Parallel, here is a lengthy quote of the history of the printing press and its role the Dutch had to play in it: "...it is still generally accepted in the Anglo-Saxon world that it was a German, Gutenberg, who invented the printing press. The Dutch have always disputed this on good grounds, and recent discoveries in Germany give even more credit to the Dutch claim!"

"Here is the Dutch story behind it, which by the way, millions of Dutch have been taught at school to be the truth!

"In the city of Haarlem there is a statue in the market-place of a man with a letterblock in his hand. On the stone is inscribed: 1440 A.D. "Typographiae letteris mobilibus a metallo fuis inventor," or the inventor of the art of printing with movable letters, of cast metal.

"Coster having invented this primitive way of printing with lead types was robbed of his invention on Christmas night of 1440 A.D. by his servant Jan, who fled with it to Mainz in Germany, where it eventually came into the hands of Gutenberg, who seems to have refined the method and produced the famous Gutenberg-Bible in 1448. After a centuries old tug of war between the Dutch and Germans (there is a vast literature pro and contra) a conclusion seems to have been reached recently, since a 15th century Chronicle has been rediscovered in Cologne (Germany) mentioning that before Gutenberg, prints were already made in Holland. Moreover as a result of research there is evidence that astronomical calenders in Mainz exist, printed in a more primitive style than Gutenberg's. Are these examples servant Jan brought with him? Anyhow Coster printed such astronomical calenders in Haarlem in Gutenberg's time.

"See in Dutch (Modern Encyclopedia of World Literature, Seven Volumes in Dutch) under Coster. In English the Encyclopaedia Britannica (vol. II and vol. 18, 1961 edition) under the heading "printing" still names Gutenberg "the strongest claimant to the honor of the invention of printing" and "because Laurens Coster of Haarlem (Holland) is the only man whose name can be connected with these prints, (whose work is much more primitive than that of Gutenberg and therefore assumedly preceded this) *he is considered by some scholars the first inventor of printing.* "

#### **DUTCH PRINTING AND CALLIGRAPHY OUTSTANDING**

"Whatever is the historical truth about this invention, it remains a fact that the Dutch were and still are world-famous for "handling the pen of the writer" as calligraphers, often drawing in one line.

"The illustrations show two examples by Jan van de Velde Sr., a 17th century Dutch painter, famous for his painting of ships. Two of his best calligraphed drawings are by chance (!) showing us the strange Parallel between Zebulun and the Dutch:

"A hand, wielding the writers pen, Deborah's blessing; and the symbol of the ship, which is Zebulun's banner. The present Dutch calligraphers still enjoy international fame for their drawing of charters.

"In the international printers-language many words and names of *letters are of Dutch origin* Many a printer outside the Netherlands will hardly know nowadays that he is daily using a Lowlanders name i'hristoffel *Plantin*, (letter type) *the great industrial printer* of the

Netherlands (Leyden and Antwerp) in the 16th century, the printer to Royalty, politicians and scientists of those days.



"Dutch printing and bookbinding is a most interesting and important subject, but as it is too vast in itself, I have to suffice here with mentioning a few examples to demonstrate that especially the *Netherlands have always been advanced and blessed in the arts of writing and printing*. If anywhere in the western world, the "epitheton ornans," given by the prophetess to Zebulun, became true, it would be in the Lowlands: They deserve the honored title of "recruiters by means of the pen."

#### **HOLLAND HAS ALWAYS BEEN A HAVEN FOR THE FREEDOM OF THE PRINTED WORD.**

"Where refugees in the 16th-17th century could freely print their religious ideas? Don't we have a remarkable combination here of Jacob's blessing to Zebulun, of being a haven, and Moses' words of "being blessed in thy going out with joy" (think of all the Dutch books having gone the world over!) and Deborah's prophecy that Zebulun's talent for the "sepher," the book, will be blessed?"

"The Dutch have been and still are greatly blessed in finding new methods of printing. From the 15th-18th centuries they were the leading nation. From the Encyclopaedia Britannica I quote, (vol 18, 1960 Edition) "Even England was completely dependant for type on the Dutch. "

"Recently *Dutch color-printing* and the latest methods of *phototype* have been developed in the Netherlands. Orders for the highest quality of art-printing from all over the world are being placed by the United States and Great Britain as well. This again is drawing a far-sighted parallel with the light-prophecy for Zebulun mentioned in Chapter twelve.

#### **DUTCH EXCELL IN CARTOGRAPHY, A REMINISCENCE OF ZEBULUN?**

"The Dutch have always excelled in cartography and making maps for navigation-purposes. "In the following (17th) century in the production of high-grade maps the Dutch were supreme, as is illustrated by classic atlases of Mercator, W.J. and J. Blaeu, H. Hondius, J. Janssen and N. Visscher," writes Encyclopaedia Britannica, (vol. 2, 1960 Edition under atlas) and, by 1600 Amsterdam had succeeded Antwerp as the center of cartographic industry in the Netherlands, and the 17th century was the great age of Dutch map production. "(idem mr. 14, under map) Flemish cartographers gave the first impetus to the art of map engraving in England.

"The very *first sea atlas, Spieghel der Zeevaerdt* (Mirror of Navigation) was both made and printed in the Netherlands in 1584, followed by many more by means of which the sailors of those days could beat the Spaniards and were better equipped to sail the seven seas.

## **THE DUTCH EXCELL IN CARTOGRAPHY EVEN IN THE HEAVENS (MIDDLEBURG 17TH CENTURY)**

"Do you now realise that Dutch history is plainly showing us our strange parallel with Zebulun? It is so simple that I greatly wonder why nobody saw it before. Do we have to be blind?!"

"Here again three words by Zebulun have been combined:

"The old dying man said to his sons "observe the waters and know when they flow together." What else is cartography of the sea than doing it by "handling the pen of the writer," this being Zebulun's future? Combine this again with Moses' words of "rejoicing in thy going out." Isn't it strange that especially the Dutch have been greatly blessed by printing navigation maps for those who rejoice going out to sea?

"Not only maps, but also the sea laws concerning the boundaries of the seas apportioned to the nations have been "invented" by Hugo Grotius in the beginning of the 17th century. This Dutch lawyer and his books printed three centuries ago are still the basis of the rules of international territorial waters." (pp.72-79).

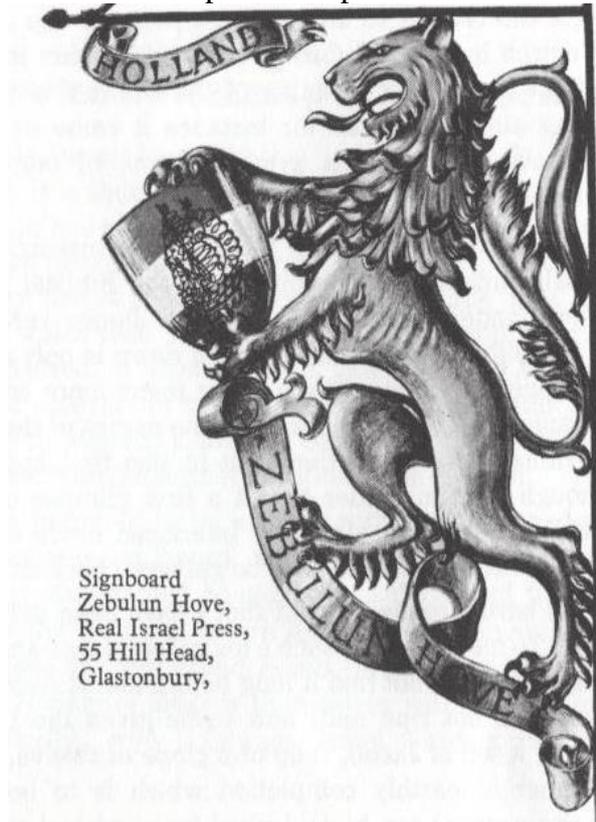
### **A Ship, Zebulun & Holland's Symbol**

In the days of Israel, each tribe had standards. It was an ancient type of Heraldry that has been preserved right down to the end time, see Numbers 2:17, 31, 34; Psalm 60:4.

In the case of Zebulun, ancient Hebrew traditions show that the symbol for Zebulun, their tribal standard was a "ship." This can be found in the The Bible, Talmud, Midrash, Zohar and related traditions, (see Davidy, p.340).

Holland of course has the same symbol. "The symbol of Holland was a ship in popular tradition and a ship was the symbol of the former Dutch Republic. Many of the Boer (Afrikans) population of the Republic of South Africa are of Dutch descent...The traditional symbol of

Holland is a ship and a ship was also considered the SYMBOL OF ZEBULON" (ibid, pp.319, 331).



"The Dutch people however made the ship with sails their national folk-symbol. They made it the symbol of their national culture. Look at the ancient *Delft blue tiles*. The ship is predominant on it. Look at Dutch paintings, Dutch embroidery with decorated ships, Dutch silversmiths who engraved and modelled ships, the museums full of ship's models, the ship-weather vanes on towers, ships in churches." (Strange Parallel, p.37).



## HOLLAND'S SHIP OF STATE

The Arms of the Seven provinces are on the side of the ship, which has the Bible on its prow. The words (by William the Taciturn) in the circle are: 'Quiet in the midst of the roaring waves'. Poem at the bottom:

'In all pressure and mourning Offer each other the hand. Be faithful in everything

God's Church and the Fatherland'

## The Windmills and the Name Zebulun

Of course Holland is famous for its windmills which virtually fill the whole landscape of the country. But what people do not realize is, these windmills is virtually telling the world who Holland is.

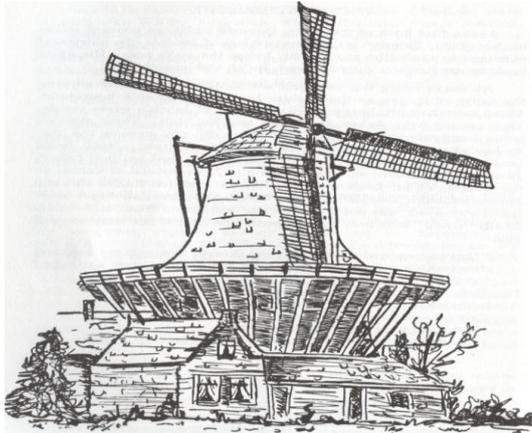
When we look into the meaning of the name of Zebulun and break it down we find,

"God has endued me with a good dowry, now will my husband *dwell* with me, because I have born him six sons, and she called him ZEBULUN." (Gen 30:20). This Hebrew word means: *to inclose, to reside, to dwell*. It is composed of three Hebrew letters:

*Zain* meaning fish-hook, *hook*

*Beith* meaning house, *home*, dwelling

*Lamed* meaning *movement*, streaming, impulse to action.



Z..B..L... The Dwelling  
- which hooks up water  
- with the movement

The name of Zebulun when broken down, actually describes the functions of a windmill. Its a dwelling, which hooks up water, using the movement of wind for it to operate.

"...those who have studied the history of the windmills, *have traced them back to Medo-Persia-you remember Zebulun as one of the ten tribes which was deported to that area-the Dutch have refined the buildings and engineering of windmilling at least from as far back as 1200 A.D.* The invention of the waterwindmill for drainage purposes, with the screw action lifting or "hooking" the water from a lower to a higher level is exclusively Dutch." (*Strange Parallel, p.64-65, emphasis added*). Holland is basically telling the world that it is Zebulun!

### What's Next for Zebulun (Holland)?

The Bible shows that a time is coming called the "Great Tribulation." It coming upon the peoples of "Jacob" (Jer 30:7). Since Holland is part of the tribes of Israel, this prophecy pertains to them as well as the rest of the House of Israel.

In the book of Isaiah, it shows that the Dutch nation if it *does not repent and turn to Almighty God*, an invasion will happen, and invasion by the *German led-European Beast*.

In Isaiah the 9th chapter, we read of Assyria (Germany, Read our book Germany in Prophecy), is going to mount an invasion, and it's going to start with Holland and Sweden. "Nevertheless the dimness shall not be such as was in her vexation, when at the first he lightly afflicted the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, and afterward did more grievously afflict her by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, in Galilee of the nations." (v.1). This prophecy in type was fulfilled in the *days of Isaiah, but then found its fulfillment in Christ, his first coming, but not its full fulfillment, because the prophecy has to do with the second coming of Christ as the text clearly shows.*

"The people [of Zebulun and Naphtali] that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. [Jesus Matthew 4:11]

"Thou hast multiplied the nation, and not increased the joy: they joy before thee according to the joy in harvest, and as men rejoice when they divide the spoil.

" For thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, and the staff of his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, as in the day of Midian [This is the Assyrian see, Isaiah 10:26-27].

" For every battle of the warrior is with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood; but this shall be with burning and fuel of fire.

*" For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.*

*" Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this. [the Kingdom of God]" (vv.2-7). Notice this prophecy leads into the second coming of Jesus. The prophecy is dual. Holland and Sweden will be put "under the yoke" and be "oppressed" by the Assyrian. This is slavery and captivity Unless they repent!*

When Isaiah made this prophecy, the "people" in verse 2 of the tribes of Zebulon and Naphtali were in the land. The "people" of Zebulon and Naphtali *however did not see Christ when the prophecy was fulfilled in Matthew 4:11, simply because, they were not dwelling in Palestine at the time, but fled to other nations. This shows that it was only fulfilled in type, in Jesus day.*

The Great "Light" that Israel will see in its *full fulfillment* will be at the second coming when "as the *lightning* cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the *coming of the Son of man be*" (Matthew 24:27). What great light shines from the east to the west? The **Sun**. Jesus is called the "Sun of Righteousness," and his face shines like the "sun" in its full strength, see Malachi 4:2; Rev1:16.

In this captivity however, there is Good news. Jesus says that, "...I will *break his yoke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds*, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him:...But they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them." (Jer 30:8-9). At his second coming Jesus will lead his people out of slavery, and will save them once again. Then Israel will re-colonize the promise land, see Isaiah 11, and serve God. They will enter into the Covenant with God, and God will pour his Holy Spirit on them, see Ezekiel 36. And they shall serve God, and become the top nation on earth, and reclaim the colonies that they have already lost. Thank God for his mercy and concern for Israel which includes Zebulun-Holland!

# HOLLAND IDENTIFIED WITH ZEBULUN - WHO WAS ZEBULUN?

In the firstbook of the Bible, Genesis 30:20,an account of his birth is given. Zebulun is the youngest son of Jacob and Leah being the sixth son. *"God has endued me with a good dowry, now will my husband dwell with me, because I have born him six sons, and she called him ZEBULUN."* What is in a name? Let us learn about the hidden information of Zebulun in connection with a mill.



**The Dwelling:- which hooks up water - with the movement**

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## A DWELLING PLACE

Indeed the Dutch have been famous for their interiors throughout the ages, claiming to have invented decoration. Famous Dutch paintings of the 16th and 17th centuries show *"Holland's Binnenhuis"* and its unique atmosphere, of which the highly emancipated Dutch woman was the vital centre, as many a foreigner in those days has described. Rembrandt, Pieter de Hoogh and Vermeer painted rich Dutch family scenes and interiors with light streaming through stained glass windows colouring the white and black tiles, the decorated walls, carved oak, beautiful china, copper utensils and magnificent arrangements of flowers, step gabled houses with winding staircases (a Dutch invention) along clean Dutch canals. Dutch family dwellings were later imitated by other countries Denmark, South Africa and the early settlers in America.

And not only in the past! The Dutch are even now renowned for their home making. They like large windows, open curtains at night, which surprises the tourist, showing lots of lamps and lights (advertising Philips light bulbs!) Going through Holland by train at night gives the

traveller an impression of homeliness and life in the Dutch dwellings different from Belgium, France and other European countries.

The Dutch have to build "*elevated houses*." Their houses are all built on sand, clay and mud, as there is no rock sub-strata underneath Holland's soil. So they have to be built on piles. The entire city of Amsterdam has been built on piles: an elevated city with a Dutch ancient dwelling-culture, and in contrast, still below sea level. By

lack of space, dwellings are made in house boats on the canals of Amsterdam which are very numerous, numbering 2500 in all. One of our royal princes lives on one of them.

### **SUCKING THE WATER BY A WINDMILL THROUGH THE POWER OF THE WIND**

What is more Dutch than the sight of a working windmill in a flat green Dutch landscape? Although those who have studied the history of the windmills have traced them back to Medo Persia - you remember Zebulun as one of the ten tribes which was deported to that area - the Dutch have refined the buildings and engineering of windmills from at least as far back as 1200 A.D. The invention of the water-windmill for drainage purposes, with the screw action lifting or "*hooking*" the water from a lower to a higher level is exclusively Dutch.

Apart from this, the variety of windmills in the Netherlands is greater than anywhere else in the world. On the power of the wind their age old wooden engines worked as flour, spice and oil grinders, as sawmills, as papermakers, as printing presses and as gin-distillers. In the golden 17th century the Netherlands had thousands of turning windmills with the always blowing west wind sucking and sighing harder through its sails, making the wheels to turn harder and more efficiently, than many a modern machine even after the invention of electricity.

*"God created the world, the Dutch created Holland"*; is an old Dutch saying. Anyhow Dutch engineers have been asked to give advice on drainage projects throughout the ages.

Prof. Ch. Wilson devoted a chapter (page 80 91) in his book "*The Dutch Republic*" to the areas reclaimed by the Dutch in Western Europe and England from the 13th to the 17th centuries. For instance the Royal Park at Windsor, the Lincoln and Cambridge Fens, parts of Kent, Somerset, East Anglia, but also parts of France, Italy and Germany.

The Dutch know how to grow crops on reclaimed land and how to remove excess salt.

*"At the same time"* according to Wilson, "*the famous breed of Friesian cattle was making its appearance in Britain. Mortimer, writing in 1707, remarked that the long legged short horned cow of the Dutch breed found in Lincolnshire and Kent was the best breed for milking.*"

Zebulun would live at the seashore. Since prehistoric times the Lowlanders have been inventive and skilled in building. Unlike other regions the Dutch don't possess a single local stone! All their houses had to be built from clay, which they, like the Israelites of old in Egypt, baked (they must have had their own factories as innumerable '*Roman*' tiles have been found in the Scheldt area), or, as ancient farms still show, they built from wattle and daub, a skill which eventually they must have brought under the names of "*Belgium*" tribes into Somerset in Britain! The Lowlanders could never dwell in caves, because these did not exist.

There is not a single rock formation in the Netherlands, and there is hardly any danger due to the almost stagnant waters and the small differences in tides. Moreover the Dutch Flanders's coast is the longest range of natural dunes without rocks in the world, consisting of some 170 miles, of which the Netherlands form two thirds, while the remainder are man made dykes. Nowhere can one find a more natural parallel with Jacob's blessing to Zebulun!

### **DUTCH PILERS**

To be a piler ("*heier*") is a very ancient skilled job in Holland, and now it is a well known Dutch surname "*den Heier*." All the foundations of most Dutch houses are piles piled deep into the ground. From prehistoric times the Lowlanders have been very advanced in building houses on piles along quays and roads built on wattle and piles. Dutch engineers were often asked for advice and actually built castles and estates in watery areas, as on Fuenen in Denmark (Egeskov) or in England near the Thames, Yarmouth and the Cambridge Fens to name but a few.

The reason for mentioning this is to show that Dutch always have been renowned for building dwellings (Zebulun) in watery areas and alongside havens, ditches, quays and seashore. (blessing given to Zebulun is to dwell at the seashore and natural harbours)

### **A SHIP, ZEBULUN'S SYMBOL AND HOLLAND'S FOLKLORE**

*"Zebulun shall be a haven of ships"*. The Hebrew word for ship is *aniah*. It means ship, but also fleet, conveyance, galley, navy.

What about the "*Flying Dutchman*" and our first AIRSHIP?

Unconsciously the Dutch tourist offices are advertising exactly what Zebulun had prophesied he would be doing! Exporting reclaiming land, putting fingers in dykes, living in windmills sucking water, and all the Dutch being shown as blond cheese heads milking their Friesian cows or making cheese and butter in some fancy national costume, everybody with smiling faces, rejoicing, with Dutch tulips in their hands - goods for export. Yes indeed, modern export propoganda and exploitation of past Dutch folk lore still shows in a mirror a strange parallel with Zebulun!

### **THE DUTCH ARE "SUCKERS" AND "MILKERS". ROTTERDAM, LARGEST WORLD PORT**

Speaking about haven in the modern sense, is it so strange that small Holland has the largest port in the world within its borders, namely "*Rotterdam Europoort*"? It has surpassed London, New York and Hamburg. Willynilly it is becoming the premier port of the European Community. The name itself, "*Europoort*" is the Dutch abbreviated word for "*gate of Europe*." It is too far fetched to remind you that Israel, living in the Isles of the West, will possess the (sea) gates of their enemies, as prophesied in Genesis 22:17; 24:60. Incidentally, as far as our comparison with Zebulun is concerned it is a nice little touch that Rotterdam Europoort has as its modern symbol a large watch tower called Euro mast, like the mast of a ship.

At Rotterdam the international rivers Rhine and Meuse become confluent. According to ancient legend it was Ratherius in 90 A.D. who founded Rotterdam, being a descendant of the Royal Trojans, who again claimed to belong to the tribe of Judah. (see Rev. W.M. H. Milner's

*The Royal House of Britain an enduring dynasty*, 13th edition 1964, Covenant Books, London).

The identification of one of Israel's tribes with a country and a particular nation is not new. At Hoorn, north of Amsterdam, there are three 17th century step-gabled houses with a decorated frieze showing the battle of the Dutch at Hoorn against the Spanish Admiral Bossu. The houses are now called Bossu Huizen with inscriptions saying that the Hollander identify themselves with Israel and the Spanish with Amalek, who is always Israel's antagonist in the Bible.

One inscription reads:

*"O, loffebike daed, O! schoone guide tijden. Wie dat er aen gedenckt, die moet hem nog verblijden, Het land dat schut, en beeft, den viland die komt aen, Hil wil met Amelak gantsch Israel verslaen, Hij koomt met groote magt, maer Godt heett ons gegeven Ook arons ende hurs wiens namen ziln geschreven."*

*"Oh glorious deed, oh golden times, who ever thinks of them, he is rejoicing still, the land that shakes and trembles, the enemy is nearing fast, he will with Amalek all Israel defeat, he comes with greatest might, But God has given us Aarons, even Hurs, whose names are written."*

In that "golden" 17th century when the Dutch had won the battle for religious (Protestant) freedom, they were conscious of being literally Israel. They were enlightened Bible readers.

The 17th century "*Chronicle of Zeeland*" by Smallegange, shows how historians in those days were convinced that the early inhabitants of the Netherlands, the Batavians, the Frisians, the Menapians and others were descended from the Hebrews and father Noah.

*"Chronicle of Leeland"* - by A.V. Scricle showing the curios of the Greeks and Latins about the beginning of common origin.

That the Low-landers, the Gaels and the Germans were called Celts, descended from Hebrours in the North on the Celtic side of the world, who are much older in age and language than the Greeks or the Romans.

From the beginning, till the time of Charles the Great - over 4000 years.

### **DEBORAH'S BLESSING TO ZEBULUN: WIELDING THE PEN OF THE WRITER**

This time a woman, being a judge in Israel, is singing her prophecy regarding the children of Zebulun, now being free and at home in their Promised Land. The Zebulunites had received a portion of the land by lot and they had taken an active part in the fight to sweep the country and to throw off the tyranny of Jabin the Canaanite, for which battle Deborah, the woman judge, had summoned 10,000 Zebulunites of whom she now says:

*"Zebulun's men risked their lives to death."* - (Judges 5:18) and

*"Come to me with Zebulun wielding the writer's pen"* - (Judges 5:14).

This means handling the pen of the writer, or skilled in writing. It sometimes has been translated as "*the recruiter's staff*" which means a military call. On this different level it has the same function by writing or by recruiting one is calling others to mental or physical action and jointly to enlist or to enrol into something. Recruiting a small Gideon's band of people who will stand for real Israel.

However these Hebrew words still have another meaning. The "*pen*" is here literally "*branched stick or scion for punishing,*" (Strong Concordance) for writing, for fighting, for ruling.

It was especially used in this sense to inscribe, to recount, to number. The word used here is "*sepher,*" which is known in the Bible as the word for a book or a roll.

It is therefore not out of place to associate it with the means for producing books and printing letters.

### **HOLLAND'S SHIP OF STATE**

The arms of the Seven provinces are on the side of the ship which has the Bible on its prow. The words (by William the Taciturn) in the circle are: "*Quiet in the midst of the roaring waves*" Poem -

*"At The Bottom":-*

*"In all pressure and mourning*

*Offer each other the hand.*

*Be faithful in everything*

*God's Church and the Fatherland."*

### **THE DUTCH CLAIM THE INVENTION OF THE PRINTED WORD**



Prior to the Middle Ages, the Lowlands were already renowned for their beautifully calligraphic breviaries on parchment. What became the means of producing books since the 14th century? Small "branched off" sticks of lead and moulds of letters! Movable letters of tin and lead, still used by printers nowadays. Do you realise what a far reaching and revolutionary invention it has been to obtain the means for duplicating books?

Who would be the first to get this brilliant idea which was going to revolutionise the intellectual mind? It would lead up to the freedom of the printed word and availability of the Bible to the common citizen. The first English bible was printed in Amsterdam. Zebulun was to be blessed with the skill of numbering "branched off" sticks or letters. Here is the strange parallel:

The Dutch claim to have invented this!

For ages this has been a controversial historical question, and it is still generally accepted in the Anglo Saxon world that it was a German, Gutenberg, who invented the printing press. The Dutch have always disputed this on good grounds, and recent discoveries in Germany give even more credit to the Dutch claim!

### LAURENS JANSZON COSTER OF HAARLEM

Here is the Dutch story behind it, which by the way, millions of Dutch have been taught at school to be the truth!

In the city of Haarlem there is a statue in the market place of a man with a letter block in his hand. On the stone is inscribed:

1440 A.D. "Typographiae letteris mobilibus a metallo fuis inventor," or the inventor of the art of printing with movable letters, made of cast metal.

Coster having invented this primitive way of printing with lead types was robbed of his invention on Christmas night of 1440 A.D. by his servant Jan, who fled with it to Mainz in Germany, where it eventually came into the hands of Gutenberg, who seems to have refined the method and produced the famous Gutenberg Bible in 1448.

## HOLLAND HAS ALWAYS BEEN A HAVEN FOR THE FREEDOM OF THE PRINTED WORD

Where refugees in the 16th 17th century could freely print their religious ideas? Don't we have a remarkable combination here of Jacob's blessing to Zebulun, of being a haven, and Moses' words of *"being blessed in thy going out with joy"* (think of all the Dutch books having gone the world over!) and Deborah's prophecy that Zebulun's talent for the *"sepher,"* the book, will be blessed? The Dutch have been and still are greatly blessed in finding new methods of printing. From the 15th and 18th centuries they were the leading nation. From the *Encyclopaedia Britannica* I quote, (vol 18, 1960 Edition) *"Even England was completely dependant for type on the Dutch"*



Recently Dutch colour printing and the latest methods of photo-type have been developed in the Netherlands. Orders for the highest quality of art -printing from all over the world are being placed by the United States and Great Britain as well. This again is drawing a far sighted parallel with the *"light"* prophecy for Zebulun.

## GLORY OF THE GOSPEL BROUGHT "BY WAY OF THE SEA"

On yet another level of interpretation the light of the Gospel has been brought to these islands by means of the sea as early as A.D. 50 and again in the 5th and 6th centuries by Irish and English monks, long before Rome claims to have converted these barbarous and heathen *"Germanic"* tribes. This is a subject in itself. The earliest missionaries to the Lowlands came in boats and established centres along the coast of the Netherlands, *"where the glory shone."*

## ISAIAH'S PROPHECY FOR THE LAND OF ZEBULUN AND THE LIGHT IN THE NETHERLANDS

But in the midst of judgement there is the promise and the certainty of the Lord's deliverance there shall be no gloom for her who was in anguish. *In the former time the Lord brought into contempt the land of Zebulun ... but in latter time He will make it glorious, by the way of the*

*sea ... The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in the land of intense darkness and the shadow of death, upon them light shines ... (different translations)*

(Isaiah 9:1) This reminds us of the fact that the land of Zebulun in latter days became part of Galilee. Is it so strange that the prophet is having two visions simultaneously? He sees the depopulated wasteland of Zebulun west of the river Jordan, where one day the Messiah will walk. He also sees the Zebulunites, afflicted by the sea in a land of dimness and darkness, seeing light.

### **THE LOWLANDS AFFLICTED BY THE SEA**

Is there any land in the western world that has had so many disastrous floods since times immemorial as the Netherlands? No regularly rising rivers here as in India, but sudden afflictions by a roaring and thundering sea attacking the land and its civilization. Legends tell us about dramatic disasters, one of them being called the "*Kimbrian flood*" of all names! More recently, in 1953 the land was afflicted more grievously. Was this applicable to Zebulun's land, which never bordered on the sea in Biblical times?\* Orthodox Dutch fishermen and farmers at the latest disastrous breach of dykes cited this very verse of Isaiah when whole families in Zeeland were drowned in the sea, fifteen hundred in one night, 1st of February, 1953. A people that fled in darkness on the top of their houses and saw the house high waves running towards them. "*In the land of shadow and death, upon them light has shined.*" To those among the Dutch who remember those days they themselves are the people of whom Isaiah spoke.

### **THE STRANGE PARALLEL BECOMES A TRUE PARALLEL**

Holland, country of light, has to be cleansed first from its sickness, in order to become Zebulun, the dwelling of the elevated. If it is true the destruction will come by fire to many parts of the earth, the atmosphere will be so dim and dark that the sun will be blackened. When this comes, says the Bible "*go into your dwellings and wait.*" There will be light inside. There will be light in each inner home that has been cleansed. As it was in Moses' time when Egypt sat in darkness, while the Israelites were surrounded by the Shekinah light, so it will be in times to come Zebulun will see the light first. Those in the Netherlands, who are aware that this strange parallel is a true one, will behave as children of Zebulun. Being cleansed, they will dwell safely, and they will receive the grace of seeing the return of the Light.

### **A RISEN LOWLAND, AN ELEVATED ZEBULUN, ONE DELIGHTFUL PEOPLE, INDWELLED BY HIS LIGHT**

*"What then of these people, these north western Europeans living in the flat lands of Holland? Are they descended through the ages from the People of Zebulun? If they be of Zebulun, then they are of Israel. Down the long corridors of time, beyond the 21st century, the prophets foresaw a wondrous future, for Zebulun, as Isaiah foretold, would see the LIGHT FIRST."*

The Light of the world did His first miracle in CANA GALILEE (country of Zebulun). He the Living water, changed the 6 water jars (meant for cleansing) into blood of the VINE. Jesus being the True VINE and Israel the branches who have to produce much fruit. I'll show you now some deeper symbolic and numeric explanations. He the GREAT SON. SON has the number value 52. So has the word wine. The fruit of the VINE being UNFERMENTED grape

Juice as the BLOOD of JESUS was UNDEFILED, became the symbol of cleansing ISRAEL and it provides for the NEW COVENANT with ISRAEL. Cana Galilee has the numeric value of 145. In Psalm 145 it says: *"Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom"* The task of Zebulun is spreading the LIGHT. The numeric value of Zebulun is 95. So do we read in Psalm 95: *"O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our God; ..."* and we are the sheep of His pasture.

Vinefruit has the numeric value of 423 that is 3 times 141. In Psalm 141 it says: *"Our bones are scattered at the grave's mouth... But mine eyes are unto Thee O God the Lord: in Thee is my trust"*.

Jesus BLOOD came down, during His crucifixion, from His left side, into the split in the rock (due to the earthquake at His death) and dropped down on the MERCY SEAT in the cave below. Only the golden MERCY SEAT on top of the GOLDEN ARK WITH THE OLD COVENANT WRITTEN ON STONE IN IT, could do service for the PRECIOUS BLOOD of CHRIST on behalf of HIS OWN PEOPLE ISRAEL; Forgiving their sins, breaking the bill of DIVORCE once given to her and bringing ISRAEL into His NEW COVENANT, *"writing His LAW in the Hearts and minds of all Israelites"*.

Will that LIGHT first appear in the nation of Zebulun, at the border of the sea? Then it will enable them to CALL THE NATIONS (of Israel) to the mount. That word MOUNTAIN has also a deeper meaning of PROMOTION (Do you get it)? Promotion of *"a company of nations"*.

Netherland means LOWLAND - the numeric value of that word is 415 or 5 times 83. In Psalm 83 it says:

*"That men may know that thou, whose name alone is YAHWEH, art the MOST HIGH over all the earth."*

That LIGHT will surely NATIONALY go forth from my LOW LAND.



### **Dutch National Emblem "I will maintain God and my Right"**

We are heirs of the Father, we are joint heirs with the Son. We are children of the Kingdom.  
We are a family, we are ONE.

# ISRAELITES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

Zebulun with Issachar, Judah, Levi, Reuben and Ephraim

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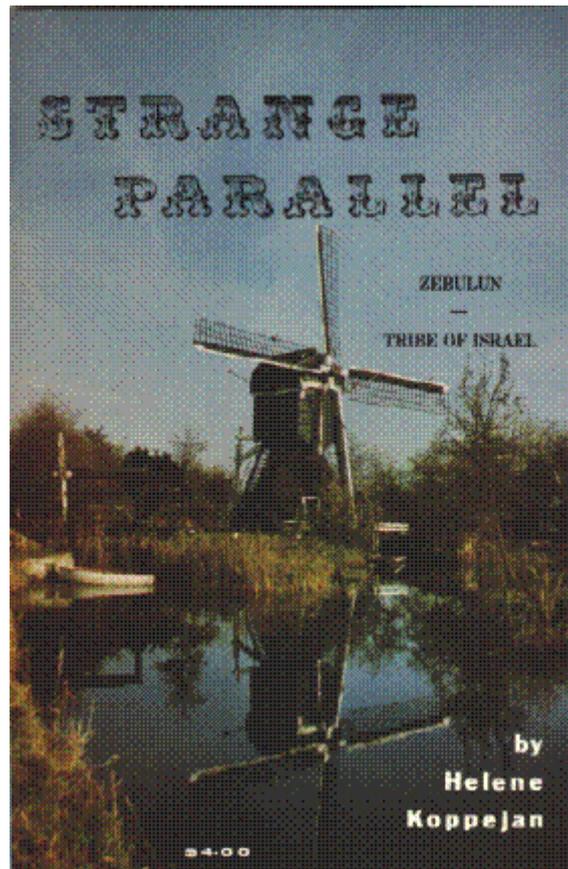
**T**HE white people of southern Africa are descendants of several different tribes of Israel. Amazing end-time prophecies in the Bible tell us that a God-fearing remnant of Israelites will remain in southern Africa.

Whites in southern Africa

There are two large groups of whites in southern Africa: approximately 3.5 million Afrikaners speaking Afrikaans and approximately 2 million English speaking whites.

The Afrikaners

The first Dutch settlers in the Cape Colony on 6 April, 1652 under Jan van Riebeeck who is considered the father of the Afrikaner people. Today there are some 3,500,000 Afrikaners. "Afrikaner" is today used to describe all white Afrikaners speaking Afrikaans, people of Cape Dutch origin and Boer origin. The Afrikaners are primarily descended from Dutch Calvinists and secondarily from Frisians, Germans, and French Huguenots. Smaller groups of other Europeans have also migrated to South Africa and become Afrikaners, such as Scandinavians, Scots, Irish, Greeks, Portuguese, Spaniards, and Italians. Most of the approximately 150,000 whites in Namibia also speak Afrikaans.



*"Strange Parallel: Zebulun - The Netherlands a Tribe of Israel"*

by *Helene Koppejan* (1984)

Dutch and Frisian Afrikaners of Zebulun and Issachar

The Dutch are mainly of the tribe of Zebulun (See Holland Identified With Zebulun - Who Was Zebulun?) Since the Afrikaners primarily are descended from the Dutch, we would expect them to have characteristics of the tribe of Zebulun.

Many Afrikaners are descended from Frisians. Some people who study the tribes of Israel believe that the Frisians are of the tribe of Issachar, which was closely connected to Zebulun, because Issachar and Zebulun were Leah's two last born sons. (See Bert Otten: *Frisians - Sons of Issachar!*)

Moses blessed Zebulun and Issachar thus:

*"And of Zebulun he said, Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out; and, Issachar, in thy tents. They shall call the people unto the mountain; there they shall offer sacrifices of righteousness; for they shall suck of the abundance of the seas, and of the treasures hid in the sand."*

**(Deuteronomy 33: 18-19)**

This prophecy is fulfilled in the fact that South Africa has one of the world's largest mining industries. South Africa is one of the countries which produce most diamonds. South Africa also has the second largest production of gold in the world, or 15% of

the world's production. In 1993 it was 30%! South Africa is the largest producer in the world of chrome, manganese, platinum, vanadium, and zermiculite. South Africa also has the second largest production of ilmenite, alladium, rutile and zirconium.

The South African mining industry was established after the Dutch and Frisians left the Netherlands by ship:

*"Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out".*

And this prophecy is confirmed in the fact that most of the South African mining industry is found in *inland* South Africa, far from the sea:

*"for they shall suck of the abundance of the seas, and of the treasures his in the sand."*

Jacob blessed Zebulun thus:

*"Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he shall be for an haven of ships; and his border shall be unto Zidon."* (**Genesis 9:13**)

This prophecy is for the Afrikaners' part fulfilled in the fact that the Afrikaner people started with the founding of the Cape Colony, which originally was built as a re-supply point and way station for ships of the Dutch East India company sailing between the Netherlands and the Dutch East Indies.



Above: The Coat of Arms and the flag, the Vierkleur, of the South African Republic (Zuid-Afrikaansche Republiek), a Boer national state which covered the later Transvaal province and was independent 1856-1877 and 1881-1902. The Coat of Arms displays symbols of the four Israelite camps (Numbers 2): The Man (Reuben, Genesis 49:3), the Lion (Judah, Gen. 49:9), the Bull (Ephraim, Deuteronomy 33:17), and the Eagle (Dan, Revelation 4:7).

### **German Afrikaners of Judah and Levi**

Many Germans have become a part of the Afrikaners, which generally are a pro-German people.

Germany is made up of several Israelite tribes, including Reuben (Franks), Simeon and Levi (Bavarians, Alemannians, and Swabians), Judah (Saxons), and Gad (East Germany). The German elements in South Africa must, however, primarily be of Judah and Levi, because South Africa fulfills prophecies about the Kingdom of Judah, which ended in 587 BC when the Babylonians deported many Judahites, Benjamites, and Levites to Babylon.

When the Israelites continually sinned and broke the Law of Moses, God would eventually punish them 2520 years ("seven times" or 7 x 360 years), and then God's time of punishment would be lifted. The Kingdom of Judah started its 2520 years of punishment in 587 BC, and it ended in 1934 AD. Shortly after, on 26 May, 1948, the Afrikaner-dominated National Party won the elections and established the Apartheid system. Dr.D.F. Malan, who became Prime Minister in 1948, basically declared the Afrikaners' independence from the British when he said, speaking of the Afrikaners:

*"Today South Africa belongs to us once more. South Africa is our own for the first time since Union, and may God grant that it will always remain our own."*

When Malan said that South Africa "*belonged*" to the Afrikaners he did not have the White-Black struggle in mind, but the rivalry between the Afrikaner and the English.

In 1961 the Union of South Africa left the British Commonwealth and became the entirely independent Republic of South Africa.

The Afrikaners have many things in common with the Jews. The Jewish state was founded when David Ben-Gurion declared its independence from the British Mandate of Palestine on 14 May, 1948. The Afrikaners and the Jews thus got their national states at the same time, and they both seceded from British administration. This is of course not a co-incidence!

The Jews represent a part of Judah, even though the Edomites, many of the Khazars, and many other people have become Jews. Both the Afrikaners and the Jews must therefore represent the descendants of the Kingdom of Judah of the Old Testament. The Jews obviously represent those Judahites which remained in Judea and for the most part rejected Jesus Christ. The Judah-element among the Afrikaners must, however, represent those Judahites which were deported to Babylon in 587 BC but did not return to Judea.

French Afrikaners of Reuben

Many French Huguenots have also immigrated to South Africa and have become a part of the Afrikaners. Many of the most common Afrikaner surnames are thus Huguenot names, such as Cronje, Joubert, de Klerk, Malan, Nel, du Plessis, Terreblanche, Theron, du Toit, Viljoen, etc. The French are of the tribe of Reuben. (See *Origin of France and its Peoples.*) The Afrikaner French Huguenot elements are therefore of Reuben.



Above: Flag of the Republic of South Africa 1961-1994

The English-speaking white South Africans of Ephraim

The British are primarily of the tribe of Ephraim. The approximate 2 million English-speaking white people of southern Africa of British descent, or Anglo-Africans, are therefore primarily of the tribe of Ephraim.

A part of Jacob's blessing to Joseph, Ephraim's father, was:

*"Joseph is a fruitful bough, even a fruitful bough by a well; whose branches run over the wall" (Genesis 49:22)*

This promise is fulfilled in the fact that the British have spread out all over the world, to southern Africa, North America, Australia, New Zealand, and elsewhere like *"a fruitful bough whose branches run over the wall"*.

The land *"beyond the rivers of Kush"*

The Bible speaks prophetically about Israelites in a land *"beyond the rivers of Kush"* (in **Zephaniah 3** and **Isaiah 18**). The original word used in the Hebrew text is *Kush/Cush*, but in some Bibles it is translated *Ethiopia* and *Nubia*.

**Zephaniah** whose name means *"Hidden by YaH"*, writes:

*"From beyond the rivers of Cush my worshippers, my scattered people, will bring me offerings. On that day you will not be put to shame for all the wrongs you have done to me, because I will remove from this city those who rejoice in their pride. Never again will you be haughty on my holy hill. But I will leave within you the meek and humble, who trust in the name of the LORD." (Zephaniah 3: 10-12 NIV)*



*Above: The Kingdom of Kush (5th century BC)*

The Kingdom of Kush was an ancient kingdom south of Egypt centered on the confluences of the Blue Nile, the White Nile, and the Atbara River. The Kingdom of Kush was established c. 1070 BC and disestablished c. 300 AD.

Zephaniah and Isaiah prophesied from the Kingdom of Judah. When they stood in the kingdom of Judah and looked in the direction of the "*rivers of Kush*", then beyond the rivers of Kush were the Congo and southern Africa, including what today is Zimbabwe and South Africa. The people which will be beyond the rivers of Kush and trust in the name of the LORD are therefore a part of the white people of southern Africa.

Zephaniah's prophecy also fits the present situation in South Africa which has become very bad for whites since 1994. The crime rates per inhabitant for violent crimes such as murder and rape in South Africa are among the highest in the world. More than 3,600 white farmers and their family members have been murdered in farm attacks since 1987. The ANC government has made racial employment laws, Black Economic Empowerment, which bar whites from large parts of the job market. Many white South Africans had become so poor that in 2008 more than 600,000 Afrikaners lived in squatter camps. One million white South Africans have emigrated since 1994. Many fear that South Africa will follow Zimbabwe's example and completely drive out the whites. Many even call it a genocide.

Despite the grave situation the white peoples of southern Africa are in, God will protect the remnant which put their trust in Him!

# FRISIANS - SONS OF ISSACHAR!

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**T**HIS study is to show that the Frisians are descendants of the tribe of Issachar, one of the lost ten-tribes. Many books have been written to show the nations of north-western Europe to be of Israelite descent in general, and Great Britain (Ephraim) and the United States of America (Manasseh), to be Joseph in particular.

## **The Celts**

There are numerous parallels between the Celts, who surfaced in Europe from about 600 B.C. onwards, and the ten-tribed Northern House of Israel (also called Ephraim and Samaria), which was taken into Assyrian captivity from 721 to 718 B.C., and which broke loose from their captors after the Assyrian Empire fell to the Babylonians.

## **609 B.C.**

The Celts are descended from the House of Israel, Samaria, Bit Khumri (Assyrian for Beth Omri, the House of Omri), hence '*Khymri*' or '*Cimmerians*'. There is quite an astonishing analogy between the Northern House of Israel with their Levites/priests on the one hand and the Celts and Druids on the other.

Among the Celts, the Druids were the only teachers of religion, like the priests/Levites were in Israel. The Druids offered sacrifices as the priests did in Israel. Among pagan nations it is normally the civil government that judges criminals, especially so in murder cases but this was not the case amongst the Celts. Like the priests in Israel, it was the Druids, and not the kings or heads of tribes, that decided about life and death.



## Dutch Frisian Islands

Similarly, the Druids had their high priest as did ancient Israel and like the priests and Levites, the Druids were in charge of religion. Another strong link is the fact that both Levites in Israel and Druids among the Celts were exempt from military service and paying taxes.

The Celts seem to have raised commemorative stone monuments as the Israelites did, and the oak tree played a significant role in the lives of both Celts and the idolatrous Israelites of the Northern Kingdom.

The Celts had special feasts in May and October, a corruption of those of the Eternal (**Leviticus Ch.23**). Their day started at sunset, as it did in Israel, whereas the year commenced, according to certain historians, in autumn, as the year still does with the Jews. They also used a solar-lunar calendar, with alternating months of 29 and 30 days similar to the Jewish solar-lunar Calendar of today.

The most gruesome analogy is the one of human sacrifices. For this reason Julius Caesar considered the Celts barbaric and it was one of the reasons why God drove the Ten Tribes out of the Promised Land. Could it be that Baal and Moloch, the gods the apostate Israelites turned to worship, were in essence the same as the Celtic gods *Belenos* (Baal) and *Lug* (Moloch)? Human sacrifices were made to both Moloch and Lug.

### **Zebulun and Issachar**

Those who write about the Lost Tribes are quite unanimous over the identity of the Dutch as Zebulunites. Zebulun's prophecies (see **Genesis Ch. 49** and **Deuteronomy Ch.33**) strongly focus on a tribe obtaining a living from the sea. The Bible is supported in this by the apocryphal Testament of Zebulun, The Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs, in which the very first sailing-boat is ascribed to Zebulun and in which Zebulun encourages his tribe to be compassionate.

The love for water, for the sea, and compassion for fellowmen, are strong national characteristics in Holland. In **Deuteronomy Chapter 33**, Issachar shares Zebulun's prophecy concerning maritime and naval blessings. In the Testament of Issachar, the patriarch Issachar calls his tribe to simplicity and goodness (eenvoud, rechtdoor zee!) and encourages his descendants to breed cattle! Where Zebulun is, Issachar cannot be far away.

### **Strong and Brave Fighters**

Just before his death the patriarch Jacob prophesied about his sons' descendants in the Last Days. Jacob's blessing for Issachar is mentioned in **Genesis 49:14-15**,

"Issachar is a strong ass" (KJV), "a rawboned donkey" (NIV), "un ane robuste" (Louis Segond), "un ane osseux" (TOB), "een bonkige ezel" (NBG), "eensterk gebeende ezel" (SW = Staten Vertaling).

The Jewish Encyclopaedia states about Issachar, "...Jacob in blessing his children before his death compared Issachar to a strong and bony ass (**Genesis 49:14**). This expression is a prophecy referring to the tribe of Issachar."

## **Physical Apparel**

The descendants of Issachar are described as robust, vigorous people and the Romans wrote about the Frisians likewise. M.D.Teenstra describes the Frisians in *'De Kroniek van Groningen, Fries and en Drenthe'*,

*" ... De Romeinen beschreven de Friezen als ruw en woest, groot van lichaarnsbouw en sterk gespierd ..."*

(The Romans described the Frisians as rough and fierce, of big physique and very muscular).  
(All translations from Dutch works are by the author).

## **Brave Fighters!**

Issachar being a raw-boned donkey, not only referred to the physique of his descendants but also to their military ability. Although not an aggressive people by nature, they were reliable fighters whenever they were called upon.

**Judges Ch.1** describes how the tribes of Israel took possession of the Promised Land and how each tribe failed to drive out certain Canaanites living in its area. The only tribe not mentioned in this account is Issachar! This could be either because Issachar was included in Zebulun or because it was the only one to remove the Canaanites. It is unknown whether the Issacharites actually achieved this but they are not accused of not having done so.

In the days of David the tribe is described as very populous; able to supply more able men to fight for Israel than any other tribe (except for Judah!).

## **Frisians - Brave People**

*Encyclopaedia Britannica, 9th and 11th Editions*, states of the Frisians,

*"In the 13th book of his Annals, Tacitus tells how the chiefs, Verritus and Malorix, as he calls them, excited the amusement and admiration of the people by taking, unasked, their seat among the senators in Pompey's theatre, when they heard that strangers from nations distinguished by their bravery and friendship to the Romans were advanced to that honourable position." - (9th Edition).*

*"The Frisians struggled against Roman overlordship somewhat longer, and it was not until A.D. 47 that they finally submitted to the victorious arms of Domitius Corbulo. The Frisian auxiliaries were likewise regarded as excellent troops." - Encyclopaedia Britannica, 11th Edition Vol. 19, p.413.*

## **Stubbornness**

Why are they compared to a strong and bony ass? Probably because it also refers to their stubbornness. In English there is the expression *'as stubborn as an ass'*, or in Dutch *'zo koppig als een ezel'*. In Holland, in Dutch the Frisians are also known for their stubbornness, *"Friese stijfkop"* (stubborn Frisian).

## **A Couching Down Between Two Burdens**

*"Issachar is a strong ass couching down between two burdens: And he saw that the rest was good, and the land that it was pleasant; and bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant unto tribute" - (Genesis 49:14-15).*

## **Tillage and Tribute**

With regard to Issachar, **Genesis 49:14-15**, *Matthew Henry's Commentary* states the following:

"That the men of that tribe should be strong and industrious, fit for labour and inclined to labour, particularly the toil of husbandry, like the ass, that patiently carried his burden, and, by using himself to it, makes it the easier. Issachar submitted to two burdens, tillage and tribute. It was a tribe that took pains and thriving thereby, was called upon for rents and taxes."

*Scott's Commentary, Vol.1*, concerning the same two verses states:

"Issachar is described under the emblem of a strong ass, as Judah had been under that of a fierce lion. This implied that the tribe of Issachar would be industrious and unambitious; bearing labour or tribute peaceably, of which burdens others grievously complained. He was sensible that rest, not from labour, but from war and contention, was profitable; and, being satisfied with the pleasantness of a remote part of the country, he little intermeddled with the affairs of the state, or of war."

Another excellent comment is found in the Dutch *Staten Bijbel met kanttekeningen*, translating as:

"In comparison with a strong but lazy and easy-going ass, he predicts Issachar's descendants to become strong and of great capacity though, by the fatness of their land, however so much inclined to ease and peace, that they would not accomplish much, yes even become tribute to others."

## **Frisians - Not Aggressive**

Compare this with what the *Encyclopaedia Britannica, 9th Edition*, says about the Frisians.

"Frisians,... a people of Teutonic stock, who at their first appearance in history, are found in possession of the same district of Europe which they still, at least partially, occupy. So far as can be judged they have never been of an aggressive disposition "he saw that the rest was good" and it is not improbable that at one time they may have possessed a much wider territory, than history usually assigns them. For this neglect the principal reason is undoubtedly the fact that the people have, at least in modern times, displayed no strong political individuality (bowed his shoulder to bear), but now allowed themselves peacefully to be merged in more powerful nationalities (and became a servant unto tribute)."

These more powerful nationalities are the Dutch and the Germans. Most of Issachar's descendants live either in the Netherlands or in northern Germany. If one draws a line from IJmuiden in the Netherlands to Bremen in Germany then north of that line is Issachar country.

*Encyclopaedia Britannica, 15th edition, Micropaedia Vol.5, p. 14-15* states this:

"Frisian, member of a Germanic people speaking a language closely related to English and living in the Frisian Islands, in Friesland, a northern province of the Netherlands and in Ostfriesland and Nordfriesland in Germany... From the 1st to the 5th century A.D., they were more or less tributary to the Romans; their land was then infiltrated by Angles and Saxons on the way to England and subsequently conquered by the Franks under Charlemagne, who

converted them to Christianity. In subsequent centuries (in the Last Days) they were territorially divided between two campfires (NIV, margin); in the 16th century the western Frisians joined the union that was to become The Netherlands."

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