

# Rabbi Tovia Singer on the Lost Tribes of Israel

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Rabbi Tovia Singer is a prominent Jewish rabbi, born in 1960. He is the founder and director of Outreach Judaism, a Jewish counter-missionary organization that tries to prevent Jews to come to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Many Christians that try to convert Jews to Christianity see Tovia Singer as a major stumbling block in their quest.

Tovia Singer was born in 1960 in Pennsylvania, but in 2019 he moved to Jerusalem from where he continues his ministry.

In a recent interview uploaded on 1 March, 2026, Tovia Singer was interviewed by Rabbi Aron Sokol on the war between the United States and the State of Israel on the one side and Iran on the other side, and its possible connection with the war of Gog and Magog. In this interview, Rabbi Tovia Singer shared his views on the Lost Tribes of Israel.

According to Tovia Singer, the Lost Tribes of Israel are NOT a part of the Jewish people. The Lost Tribes of Israel are somewhere among the Gentiles (the goyim), although they are not actually goyim, but Israelites, although on the surface the 10 Tribes of Israel look like goyim.

Tovia Singer said:

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“So, Ezekiel 37 is entirely messianic. It begins with the vision of Israel being restored. It's a powerful numinous image of that Ezekiel encounters a valley of dried out bones. There's no hope. And then these bones gain flesh and sinners rise up a powerful army. This is the people of Israel.

[9:11]

The northern kingdom will be restored, which means nine and a half tribes are lost. And that's Ephraim, with two sticks in hand restored.

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And then we're introduced to Moshiach. ... This is Ezekiel 37:24 and 25. Messiah is called the Nasi, the Prince. He'll be called the Prince throughout the end of Ezekiel. Remember I always told you Ezekiel, this chunk is all Moshiach from 34 on. ... Ezekiel 37:24 and 25 is Moshiach himself.”

Tovia Singer says that the Northern Kingdom of Israel of the 9½ Tribes are going to be reunited with the Jewish people sometime in the future, and that this is what Ezekiel is describing with the Two Sticks of Ephraim and Judah. Furthermore, he says that this is going to take place when the Moshiach (the Messiah) comes.

This is also what we are saying, except that we say that the Messiah is the Lord Jesus Christ. It is even the subtitle of my book *The Lost 10 Tribes of Israel in Europe, and their reunification with the House of Judah*.

The Lost 10 Tribes of Israel refer to the 10 Tribes of Israel that were deported out of the land of Israel by the Assyrians around 721 BC and settled in northern areas of the Assyrian Empire. From there, the

10 Tribes disappeared from world history. However, many Bible students and historians, such as myself, have traced the 10 Tribes of Israel to Europe, where they make up the core of the nations of north-western Europe, as well as their daughter nations around the world.

Tovia Singer refer to the Lost Tribes of Israel as the 9½ Tribes. That is because it was not EXACTLY 10 Tribes that were exiled and neither was it EXACTLY Two Tribes that remained in the land of Israel. According to Assyrian annals, 200,150 people of the Kingdom of Judah were also brought into exile never to reunite with Judah. In 2nd Chronicles we read that there were remnants of several of the northern 10 Tribes that had remained in Israel and came to Hezekiah's Passover. According to the Talmud, it was roughly 10% of the people of the 10 Tribes that remained in the land of Israel after the Assyrian Exile.

The tribes that remained in the land of Israel were most of the inhabitants of the Kingdom of Judah, which was made up of the tribe of Judah and the tribe of Benjamin. Many, or most, of the Levites that lived in the northern kingdom moved to the Kingdom of Judah when Jeroboam made idolatry the state religion of the Kingdom of the 10 Tribes. That is why some refer to the inhabitants of the Kingdom of Judah as the Two Tribes, while other refer to it as the Two and a Half Tribes. For example, the pseudepigraphic book the Apocalypse of Baruch, which was written sometime between AD 70-130, refer to the Lost Tribes as the 9½ Tribes, and that they were living somewhere beyond the Euphrates River (Apocalypse of Baruch 78:1-2).

The Jewish people of today are the direct descendants of the ancient Kingdom of Judah, although they have absorbed many converts – just like any other ethnic group has. The Jews are not the descendants of the Lost 10 Tribes of Israel. This has been the belief of the authors of ancient Jewish texts written down between the end of the Old Testament and the beginning of the New Testament. It was also the belief of every single rabbi of the Talmud that discussed the 10 Tribes of Israel. And it is also the belief of many contemporary Jews, including Benjamin Netanyahu and Rabbi Shmuley Boteach, as well as Rabbi Tovia Singer.

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