

THE ANCIENT KHAZARS & THE MODERN ASHKENAZIM JEWS

A resume of excerpts by Paul T. Butler from the book *The Thirteenth Tribe*, by Arthur Koestler (himself, an Ashkenazim Jew) 1976, pub. Random House;

Biblical references supplied by Paul T. Butler

1. It has been asserted for over 100 years that the majority of today's European Jews are *not ethnic Jews* but are descended from the ancient Khazars.
2. In 1944, A. N. Poliak, Prof. Of Medieval Jewish History at Tel Aviv University asserted it. *Khazaria—The History of a Jewish Kingdom in Europe* (in Hebrew), Mossad Bialik, Tel Aviv, 1951; and *The Khazar Conversion to Judaism* (in Hebrew), Zion, Jerusalem, 1941.
3. In 1976, Arthur Koestler, famous Israeli intellectual and author wrote *The Thirteenth Tribe* using many ancient documents for his research.
4. The Khazars were a non-Semitic kingdom in southern Russia located between the Black Sea and the Caspian Sea. (See attached map).
5. The Khazars played a significant role in shaping the demography of Europe from the Balkans to France.
6. The Khazarian “empire” effectively blocked the Arab (Moslem) avalanche from conquering eastern Europe. But as the Khazars weakened they were caught in a politico-religio pressure to either embrace Byzantium Christianity or Arabian Islam.
7. The Khazars were originally shamanistic (i.e., like voodoo) pagans, but in A.D. 700-800 the civilized world was polarized between two super-powers—Byzantium Christianity and Arab Islam—Khazaria could only maintain its independence by accepting neither.
8. About A.D. 740, the Khazars converted to the Jewish faith reasoning that both Christianity and Islam claimed Abraham as progenitor so Judaism became the religion of these Caucasians.
9. As the Khazarian empire began to collapse, late A.D. 900's, these Caucasian-“Jews” dispersed in great numbers into eastern Russia, Poland and Hungary.

10. From there they migrated into Austria, Germany and France, thus, from these Caucasian-“Jews” descended today’s 11–12 million ersatz (artificial) *Ashkenazim* “Jews.”
11. Today’s *Sephardim* “Jews” (some 500,000) dispersed around the Mediterranean as far as Spain but even their ethnicity is not pure!
12. Koestler quotes scholar Raphael Patai, “The findings of physical anthropology show that, contrary to popular view, there is no Jewish race.” *Encyclopedia Britannica*, Vol. XII, 1054, 1973 printing
13. Koestler remarks that all “anti-Semitism” (especially the Nazi holocaust) “begins to look like the most cruel hoax history has ever perpetrated—i.e., six to seven million non-Jews murdered as Jews by the Nazis.
14. The *Ashkenaz* of the Bible (see Gen. 10:3; 1 Chron 1:6; Jer. 51:27) clearly refers to a people living somewhere in the vicinity of Mt. Ararat in Armenia which would preclude them being Israelites.
15. *Ashkenaz*, of the Bible was a son of Gomer (grandson of Japheth who was a son of Noah whose descendants sired all the Gentiles) who was a brother of Togamah and a nephew of Magog (definitely not Israelites).
16. Professor Juan Comas of UNESCO (“United Nations Educational, Scientific & Cultural Organization”) stated “Thus, despite the view usually held, the Jewish people is racially heterogeneous; its constant migrations and its relations—voluntary or otherwise—with the widest variety of nations and peoples have brought about such a degree of crossbreeding that the so-called *people of Israel can produce examples of traits typical of every people.*” *The Race Question in Modern Science*, 1958, UNESCO
17. “Beginning with the Biblical evidence...in the beginning of the formation of the tribes of Israel they were already composed of various racial elements...we find in Asia Minor, Syria and Palestine at that time many races—the Amorites, who were blond, long-faced, and tall; the Hittites, a dark-complexioned race, probably of Mongoloid type; the Cushites a Negroid race; and many others. With all these the ancient Hebrews intermarried.” *The Jews—A Study of Race and Environment*, M. Fishberg, 1911, London and Felling-on-Tyne)
18. Abraham had a child, Ishmael, by Hagar the Egyptian woman, progenitor of some of today’s Arabs; Joseph married an Egyptian, daughter of a pagan Egyptian priest, and Joseph’s two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim, were two of the 12 tribes of Israel; Moses married a Midianite (an Arab); David’s grandmother, Ruth, was a Moabite—Moab was a grandson of Lot by incest with his elder

daughter; Solomon married hundreds of “foreigners”; during the exiles of the Jews (721-536 B.C.) many Jewish priests and common people married foreign women (Ezra 6:21; 9:1-2; 10:2,10; Neh. 13:23-27)

19. During the exiles of the Jews many of the people of the Persian empire became Jews (Esther 8:17; 9:17) and many other Jews did not return from their exile but remained in the land of their exile. Those Jews unquestionably intermarried with the native population of their exile.
20. Today there are black-skinned Falasha Jews of Abyssinia; Chinese Jews of Kai-Feng who look like Chinese; Yemenite Jews; Jewish Berber Tribes among the Sudanese; Iraqi Jews; Russian Jews; Anglo-Jews and Spanish Jews.
21. In his book *The Jewish People: A Biological History*, 1953, pub. UNESCO, H. Shapiro states, “The wide range of variation between Jewish populations in their physical characteristics and the diversity of the gene frequencies of their blood groups render any unified racial classification for them a contradiction in terms...and despite the evidence, efforts continue to be made to somehow segregate the Jews as a distinct racial entity.”
22. Koestler, in *The Thirteenth Tribe*, states, “The right (Israel’s right) to exist is not based on the hypothetical origins of the Jewish people, not on the mythological (sic) covenant of Abraham with God; it is based on international law, i.e., on the United Nations’ decision in 1947 to partition Palestine, once a Turkish province, then a British mandated territory, into an Arab and Jewish state. Whatever the Israeli citizen’s racial origins, and whatever illusions they entertain about them, their state exists *de jure* and *de facto* and cannot be undone, except by genocide.”
23. Koestler, *op.cit.* “Orthodox Judaism is dying out, and it is the vast majority of enlightened or agnostic Jews who perpetuate the paradox by loyally clinging to their pseudo-national status in the belief that it is their duty to preserve the Jewish tradition.”
24. Koestler, *op.cit.*, “Talmud, Kabbala, and the bulky tomes of Biblical exegesis are practically unknown to the contemporary Jewish public, although they are...the only relics of a specifically Jewish tradition...during the last two millennia.”
25. Koestler, *op.cit.*, “To sum up, the Jews of our day have no cultural tradition in common, merely certain habits and behavior-patterns, derived by social inheritance from the traumatic experience of the ghetto, and from a religion which the majority does not practice or believe in, but which nevertheless confers on them a pseudo-national status...in 1975 *Time* magazine reported that American Jews ‘tend to marry outside their faith at a high rate; almost one-third of all

marriages are mixed.”

26. Conclusion from all this by Paul T. Butler: Dispensational-premillennialists of the Christian religion make a to-do about “the Jews returning to the Holy Land because God “gave them the land forever,” and “God has something special yet for the Jews”—*but there aren’t any generically pure Jews*. As a matter of fact, modern Israeli scholars and politicians have been in a quandary ever since 1947 as to how to determine who is a Jew and who isn’t for purposes of citizenship.
27. The only *true Jews* are those who are “Jews inwardly (Rom. 2:28-29) and it has been that way from Adam and Eve to the 21st century.
28. Abraham (the Summerian Gentile) was a Jew *inwardly* (Gen. 15:6) before he was a Jew outwardly (Gen. 17:1-14); Saul of Tarsus (the apostle Paul) was a Jew *outwardly* before he was a Jew *inwardly* (Phil. 3:4-11).
29. The only *true Israel* is the *Church of Jesus Christ* which walks by the rule that neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything—but a “new creation” in Christ—this is the *true “Israel of God”* (Gal. 6:14-16, the *true city of the living God* (Heb. 12:22-24).
30. *Jesus was not genetically of “pure” Jewish ancestry!* For starters, he had Canaanite ancestors (Tamar and Rahab); he had a Moabite ancestor (Ruth); he had Phoenician ancestors (Jezebel and Athaliah), just to name a few non-Jewish ancestors in his earthly family tree!
31. The Biblical Israelites were not the only Semites. Descendants of Shem (Semites) populated ancient Palestine, Arabia, Syria, Iraq, part of Persia (Iran), and part of Asia Minor (Turkey). To apply the aspersion “Anti-Semitic” to a bias toward Jews only is a display of ignorance. To have bias *toward anyone in the Middle East* has to be called, “Anti-Semitic.” And bias toward European Jews (Ashkenazim) is, in fact, “Anti-Caucasian” since all European Jews, for the most part, are descended from Caucasian Khazars!
32. Jacob Gartenhaus, born a “Jew” in Austria, educated in rabbinical schools, came to USA and converted to Christianity wrote in a national periodical that no Jew today can trace his ancestry back beyond two or three hundred years. It is therefore impossible to document pure Jewish lineage, *Christianity Today*, March 13, 1970, pp. 520-522

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