

1680 AD – ‘KING CHARLES BANISHES JAMES TO SCOTLAND’

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EVENTS IN 1680 AD¹

In 1677 **James** brother of **Charles II** reluctantly consented to his daughter **Mary**'s marriage to the Protestant **William of Orange**. Despite the Protestant marriage, fears of Catholic **James** becoming King of England persisted, intensified by the failure of **Charles II** and his wife to produce any children. There were rumors of a "Popish Plot" to kill **Charles II** and to put **James** on the throne. The fabricated plot caused a wave of anti-Catholic hysteria to sweep England.

In 1679 The Earl of Shaftesbury, a leading opponent of Catholicism, attempted to have **James** excluded from the line of succession. He put forward an Exclusion Bill in Parliament. To prevent it **Charles II** dissolved Parliament. **James** was convinced to withdraw from all policy-making bodies and to accept a lesser role in his brother's government. Finally, on the orders of the King, James left England for Brussels.

In 1680 **James** was appointed Lord High Commissioner of **Scotland** and took up residence at Holyrood House in Edinburgh to suppress an uprising and oversee royal government. The hysteria eventually faded but the English Parliament was filled with suspicion of **James**.

PROPHECY OF JEREMIAH 15 V 19

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King Charles II is cast in this story as the ‘good king’ and **James** as the ‘evil prince regent’. **Charles II** was a profligate and had many moral failings but he kept faith with the Protestant people of England by preventing the **Anglican Church** from falling back into the hands of the **Catholic Church**.

¹ Source: Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_II_of_England

James made public confession to be a Catholic and by doing so undercut the work of **Charles II** to preserve the monarchy in **England**. The situation was made worse by the ill health of **Charles II** and his lack of descendants. So, **Charles II** banished James from **England**.

The scenario is very similar to what Jeremiah was telling the people of **Judah**. Because they denied the lordship of **Jehovah** by worshipping other gods, they were going to be cast out of the land into a foreign land. They would stay in that foreign land until they repented and confessed the true **God** and swore off the worship of idols.

Catholicism with its slavish obedience to the **Pope** and its blasphemous belief in transubstantiation – or the continual re-crucifixion of **Christ** - is likened to Baal worship in the ancient days of Jeremiah.

The mercy of the LORD is demonstrated, that not considering the awful sinfulness of idol worship and blasphemy, he left open the door to personal repentance and faith: “**If you return** [to Me], then will I bring thee back again”. Moreso: “**if thou take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt be as my mouth.**”; a **God** honoring head of the Church of England!

James knew full well his actions imperilled his brother’s kingdom and the dynasty of the Stuarts. By virtue of attending the **Anglican Church** he would have heard enough truth to have known his Catholic beliefs were unfounded in the Bible. As the prophecy of Jeremiah 15 v 19 states, **James** was given ample opportunities to bow before **Almighty God** and repent. Had he done that God promised: **thou shalt stand before me** – **James** would have been King of England with the support of **God** and the people.

James did not repent. **James** was not forgiven. Although **James** was crowned King of England, he was opposed by the people: “**let them return** [to Me]; **but return not you** [to them]”. To save his skin he fled to Catholic France never to return. He died in Babylon.

SPIRITUAL NUMBER ANALYSIS

For a mind that has wisdom please read on. See truth from another perspective.

PART ONE

Chapter **15** of Jeremiah is the **84th** chapter of The Prophets.

The spiritual number **84** means 'Court of the LORD'

As we have seen all through chapter 15 of Jeremiah, the LORD is the final arbiter in the affairs of men. See how he fairly he treated James. Although he was an enemy of all that is good, God gave James time to reform. In spite of many warnings and discipline even from his own brother the King, James was wayward to the end and received the due recompense for it.

PART TWO

Jeremiah **15 v 19** is the **19,335th** verse in the whole Bible starting at Gen **1 v 1**.

The number **19,335 = 15 x 1289** [**209th** prime]

The spiritual meaning of **15** is 'Covenant'

The spiritual meaning of **209** is 'Loss of Spirit'

The spiritual meaning of **1289** is 'Stand Aloof From the People of God'

The **1289th** verse of the Prophets is Isaiah 66:21 '**And I will also take of them for priests and for Levites, says the LORD.**' It corresponds in history to the time when the **Mongol** forces were at the peak of their power in the world. They sent emissaries to **Rome** asking for treaty and alliance against the **Moslems** – in return the Mongols would permit Catholic priests to spread the faith throughout the **Mongol** empire – which was all of Asia at that time. As a show of good faith, one of the emissaries was even baptized! Rome ignored this offer.

The **209th** chapter of the Bible is Joshua 22 in which the Eastern tribes: **Reuben, Manasseh, and Gad** were excused from war to return to their ancestral land on the other side of the Jordan. Joshua said '**And said unto them, Ye have kept all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, and have obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you:**' (Joshua 22

v 2). ‘**Ye have not left your brethren these many days unto this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment of the LORD your God.**’ (Joshua 22 v 3)

Catholics have been so insulated in their own private cult of religion and power that they have been impervious to the LORD’s hand of grace to them. James was cut from that cloth.

PART THREE

Jeremiah **15 v 19** is the **1680th** verse of The Prophets starting at Isaiah **1 v 1**.

The number **1680 = 5 x 336**

The spiritual meaning of **5** is ‘Weakness’

The spiritual meaning of **336** is ‘Rededicate to Holy Life’

The number **1680 = 10 x 168**

The spiritual meaning of **10** is ‘Testimony’

The spiritual meaning of **168** is ‘Man of Lawlessness’

James proved he was never able to reform his life according to Christian morals or Christian thought. While married, he kept a variety of mistresses, including Arabella Churchill and Catherine Sedley, and was reputed to be "the most unguarded ogler of his time." He was not a man lacking in sanity, or faint of heart, or a shirking laggard. He possessed talents in leadership and bold visions. But ultimately his plans were out of his own imagination and his designs were for his own glory, and his personal life was a pot of carnality. He consulted not God nor sought counsel in his words, the Bible. God judged this man and humbled him much.