

Christian Identity Refutation

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I. The following quotes are from the Wikipedia article on Christian Identity.

1. “Christian Identity (also known as Identity Christianity) is an interpretation of Christianity which advocates the belief that only Celtic and Germanic peoples, such as the Anglo-Saxon, Nordic nations, or the Aryan race and kindred peoples, are the descendants of the ancient Israelites and are therefore God's "chosen people". It is a racial interpretation of Christianity and is not an organized religion, nor is it affiliated with specific Christian denominations. It emerged from British Israelism in the 1920s and developed during the 1940s–1970s. Today it is practiced by independent individuals, independent congregations, and some prison gangs.

“No single document expresses the Christian Identity belief system, and some beliefs may vary by group. However, all Identity adherents believe that Adam and his offspring were exclusively White. They also believe in Two House theology, which makes a distinction between the Tribe of Judah and the Ten Lost Tribes, and that ultimately, European people represent the Ten Lost Tribes. This racist view advocates racial segregation and opposes interracial marriage. Other commonly held beliefs are that usury and banking systems are controlled by Jews, leading to opposition to the Federal Reserve System and use of fiat currency, believing it to be part of "the beast" system. Christian Identity's eschatology is millennialist.” (Christian Identity, Wikipedia, 8-11-2026)

2. “The Christian Identity movement emerged in the United States in the 1920s and 1930s as an offshoot of British Israelism. Early British Israelites such as Edward Hine and John Wilson were philosemites. The typical form of the British Israelite belief held that modern-day Jews were descended from the tribes of Judah and Benjamin, while the British and other related Northern European peoples were descended from the other ten tribes. Christian Identity emerged in sharp contrast to British Israelism as a strongly antisemitic theology, and by the 1940s to 1970s, it was teaching that contemporary Jews were either descendants of Eurasian Khazars or literal descendants of Satan.” (Ibid)
3. “Christian Identity theology promotes a racist interpretation of Christianity.” (Ibid)

II. Basic tenets of the Christian Identity doctrine (from the Wikipedia article). Note: not all adherents of Christian Identity hold to all of these beliefs.

1. Adam and Eve were preceded by lesser, non-Caucasian races which are often (although not always) identified as "beasts of the field" (Genesis 1:25, Genesis 2:19–20) who took human form as a result of mating with Adamites.
2. The pre-Adamite races such as blacks did not have souls and that race mixing was an insult to God because it spoiled his racial plan of creation.
3. Nonwhites were tainted through race-mixing.

4. Two-seedism
 - A. The serpent in the story of the Fall was not a reptile, but the Devil himself.
 - B. The seedline of Cain came through a union of Satan (the serpent) and Eve. Eve was seduced by the Serpent (Satan), shared her fallen state with Adam by having sex with him, and gave birth to twins with different fathers: Satan's son Cain and Adam's son Abel.
 - C. The Jews were descended from Cain's unholy line through mating with members of the non-Adamic races and thus had a natural propensity for evil.
 - D. The Jews are literally the offspring of Satan.
 - E. The Jews are descended from Esau or the Canaanites rather than the tribe of Judah.
 - F. Europeans are the chosen people and Jews are the cursed offspring of Cain, the serpent seed.
5. White supremacy
 - A. The Hebrew etymology of the word "Adam" (Aw-Dam) translates as "to show blood in the face, flush or turn rosey. Be dyed, made red (ruddy)", often quoting from James Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, and concluding that that proves Adam as the ancestor of the Caucasian race.
 - B. Adam and Eve were only the ancestors of white people who are the chosen.
 - C. Non-Caucasian peoples have no souls and therefore they can never earn God's favor or be saved.
6. Two House theology
 - A. The northern tribes of Israel were carried off by the Assyrians and remained racially pure as they migrated into modern Europe, while the southern kingdom eventually became allied with Satan.
 - B. The early European tribes were really the Ten Lost Tribes of Israel and therefore the rightful heirs to God's promises, and God's chosen people.
 - C. After the northern Kingdom of Israel was conquered by Assyria in 721 BC, the ten tribes disappeared from the Biblical record.
 - D. White people of Europe in particular, or Caucasians in general, are God's servant people, according to the promises that were given to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
 - E. Celtic and Germanic peoples, such as the Anglo-Saxon, Nordic nations, or the Aryan race and kindred peoples are the true Israelites, and modern Jews have dispossessed them of their identity as God's chosen race.
 - F. Anglo-Saxons (whites) are the true Israelites, God's chosen people who were given the divine right to rule the world until the Second Coming of Christ.
 - G. There will be an imminent, apocalyptic struggle between good and evil, with the whites against the Jews.
7. America is the Zion of Bible prophecy and will be the seat of Christ's earthly, millennial kingdom.
8. All of history represents a great cosmic war between the forces of good and evil. It is all part of a Satanic plot to take control of creation.
9. Most CI adherents are white nationalists who advocate racial segregation and the imposition of anti-miscegenation laws.
10. Christian Identitarians advocate the introduction of a state of racial purity in the US.

III. Refutation of the tenets of Christian Identity

1. CI Tenet #1: Adam and Eve were preceded by lesser, non-Caucasian races which are often (although not always) identified as "beasts of the field" (Genesis 1:25, Genesis 2:19–20) who took human form as a result of mating with Adamites.
 - A. This is such a stupid idea that it needs no refutation.
 - i. The beasts of the field are animals which are mentioned with other animals such as cattle, creeping things, and birds (**Gen 1:24-25; Gen 2:19-20**).
 - ii. Beast *n.* – 1. A living being, an animal. (Used to translate Gr. *fóom*, or L. *animal*, esp. in versions of the Bible. Now restricted in literary use as in sense 2; but still widely applied in dialect and colloquial use, including e.g. newts, insects, centipedes.) 2. a. A quadruped (or animal popularly regarded as such), as distinguished from birds, reptiles, fishes, insects, etc., as well as from man. (Now the ordinary literary use.) 3. A domesticated animal owned and used by man, as part of his farm ‘stock’ or cattle [F. *bestiaux*, *bétail*]; at first including sheep, goats, etc., but a. gradually more or less restricted to the bovine kind; and now chiefly applied by farmers, graziers, etc. to fattening cattle. (In this sense there is also a collective plural *beast*.)
 - B. Another absurd claim along these lines is that the unclean beasts that Noah took on the ark (**Gen 7:2**) were non-Caucasians, which supposedly explains the existence of Africans and Indians on earth today.
 - i. This claim is stupid, nonsensical, and unbiblical for a number of reasons.
 - a. Beasts are animals (see definition above).
 - b. The beasts are identified as cattle and creeping things (**Gen 6:19-20; Gen 7:14-15; Gen 9:9-10**).
 - c. The clean and the unclean that Noah took on the ark were both referred to as *beasts* (**Gen 7:2**); therefore, if the unclean beasts were non-Caucasians, then the clean beasts must have been some other type of not-fully-human beings as well.
 - d. The Bible later identifies beasts (animals) that were clean and unclean that could be used for food and sacrifices by the children of Israel (**Lev 11:46-47**).
 - e. The reason for taking seven pairs of clean beasts and only one pair of unclean beasts on the ark was so that Noah could sacrifice some of the clean beasts after exiting the ark (**Gen 8:20**).
 - f. There were only eight human beings (souls, people) on the ark (**1Pe 3:20; 2Pe 2:5**), and those eight people were Noah, his wife, his three sons, and their three wives (**Gen 6:18; Gen 7:7, 13**).
 - ii. This is one of many examples of wresting plain texts of scripture by giving absurd, figurative meanings to passages that are obviously meant to be taken literally in an attempt to support an unbiblical idea.
 - C. The Bible says nothing about pre-Adamite races.
 - D. God created man (mankind – men and women), not just Caucasian people, in His own image (**Gen 1:27 c/w Act 17:26**).

2. CI Tenet #2: The pre-Adamite races such as blacks did not have souls and race mixing was an insult to God because it spoiled his racial plan of creation.
 - A. There are no pre-Adamite races.
 - i. All men inherited sin and death from Adam (**Rom 5:12; 1Co 15:22**) because they were made in his image (**Gen 5:3; 1Co 15:47-49**).
 - ii. Pre-Adamite races would not have inherited Adam's sin.
 - iii. Since all mankind are represented in Adam, there are no pre-Adamite races.
 - B. All nations are made of one blood (**Act 17:26**).
 - i. There are no "races" of people.
 - ii. There is one race, Adam's race.
 - C. Every human being has a soul.
 - i. God made Adam a living soul (**Gen 2:7**).
 - ii. All people are descended from Adam and therefore have a soul.
3. CI Tenet #3: Nonwhites were tainted through race-mixing.
 - A. There are no races, and therefore there is no such thing as race-mixing.
 - i. "All human beings in the world today, however, are classified as *Homo sapiens sapiens* [sic]. Scientists today admit that, biologically, there really is only one race of humans. For instance, a scientist at the Advancement of Science Convention in Atlanta in 1997 stated, 'Race is a social construct derived mainly from perceptions conditioned by events of recorded history, and it has no basic biological reality.'" (Ken Ham, *One Blood*, p. 52)
 - ii. "Reporting on research conducted on the concept of race, the American ABC News science page stated, 'More and more scientists find that the differences that set us apart are cultural, not racial. Some even say that the word 'race' should be abandoned because it's meaningless.'" (Ibid)
 - iii. "The truth, though, is that these so-called "racial characteristics" are only minor variations among the people groups. Scientists have found that if one were to take any two people from anywhere in the world, the basic genetic differences between these two people would typically be around 0.2 percent — even if they came from the same people group. But, these so-called "racial" characteristics that many think are major differences (skin color, eye shape, etc.) account for only 6 percent of this 0.2 percent variation, which amounts to a mere 0.012 percent difference genetically.

"In other words, the so-called "racial" differences are absolutely trivial. Overall, there is more variation *within* any group than there is *between* one group and another. If a white person is looking for a tissue match for an organ transplant, for instance, the best match may come from a black person, and vice versa." (Ibid, p. 54)
 - B. God has no problem with people of different nations or skin colors marrying (**Num 12:1, 7 c/w Jer 13:23; Rut 1:1-4; Rut 4:10**).
 - C. God forbade Israel from marrying the Canaanites because of their wicked religion and morality, not because of their "race" or skin color (**Deut 7:1-5**).

4. CI Tenet #4: The serpent in the story of the Fall was not a reptile, but the Devil himself.
 - A. The serpent was a serpent that was animated by Satan (**Gen 3:1, 13 c/w 2Co 11:3; Rev 12:9 c/w Rev 20:2-3**).
 - B. Similarly, Balaam's ass was an ass that was caused to speak words given to it by God (**Num 22:28**).
 - C. The serpent was cursed above all *animals* after the fall, being condemned to crawl on its belly and eat dust (**Gen 3:14**).

5. CI Tenet #5: The seedline of Cain came through a union of Satan (the serpent) and Eve. Eve was seduced by the Serpent (Satan), shared her fallen state with Adam by having sex with him, and gave birth to twins with different fathers: Satan's son Cain and Adam's son Abel.
 - A. This is a lie.
 - B. Cain and Abel were not twins.
 - i. The Bible never says they were twins.
 - ii. It says that Eve bare (carried) Cain and she *again* bare (carried) Abel (**Gen 4:1-2**).
 - iii. The births of Cain and Abel are not described as that of twins like Jacob and Esau's births were (**Gen 25:21-26**).
 - C. Adam was the biological father of Cain and Abel (**Gen 4:1-2**).
 - i. Eve received Cain *from the LORD*, not from Satan (**Gen 4:1**).
 - ii. Cain was "of that wicked one" (**1Jo 3:12**) and was a child of the devil through imitation (**Joh 8:41, 44**), not generation.
 - iii. The elect are called "children of God" (**Rom 8:16; Gal 3:26**) and "sons of God" (**Joh 1:12-13; 1Jo 3:1-2**) because they bear His image and likeness spiritually through regeneration, but they are not the biological children of God through natural generation.
 - iv. So it was with Cain who bore the image of Satan through his fallen spiritual nature (**1Jo 3:10**).
 - D. Eve did not share her fallen state with Adam by having sex with him.
 - i. Adam sinned by willfully eating the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (**Gen 2:17 c/w Gen 3:6**).
 - ii. This sin caused him to die spiritually the moment he ate the fruit (**Gen 2:17**).
 - iii. Listening to Eve and doing what she suggested, not having sex with her, caused Adam to share her fallen state (**Gen 3:17**).

6. CI Tenet #6: The Jews were descended from Cain's unholy line through mating with members of the non-Adamic races and thus had a natural propensity for evil.
 - A. There are no non-Adamic races (see CI Tenet #2).
 - B. The Jews were not descended from Cain.
 - i. The Jews were descended from Adam through Seth, not Cain (**Luk 3:23-38**).
 - ii. The Christian Identity heresy is a lie.
 - C. The Jews' natural propensity for evil is because they are the descendants of *Adam*, not *Cain*.

- i. Adam passed his sinful nature to the entire human race (**Rom 5:12**).
- ii. All human kind are “by nature the children wrath” (**Eph 2:3**).
 - a. We are conceived in sin (**Psa 51:5**).
 - b. We are born speaking lies (**Psa 58:3**).
 - c. The imaginations of our hearts are evil from our youth (**Gen 8:21**).
- iii. All men, both Jews and Gentiles, are evil and depraved (**Rom 3:9**).
 - a. By nature, apart from the regenerating grace of God, all men:
 - (i) do not understand nor seek God (**Rom 3:11**)
 - (ii) are gone out of the way, are unprofitable, and do no good (**Rom 3:12**)
 - (iii) have throats which are open sepulchres, deceitful tongues, and poisonous speech (**Rom 3:13**)
 - (iv) have mouths that are full of cursing and bitterness (**Rom 3:14**)
 - (v) have feet that are swift to shed blood (**Rom 3:15**)
 - (vi) have destruction and misery in their ways (**Rom 3:16**)
 - (vii) have not known the way of peace (**Rom 3:17**)
 - (viii) do not fear God (**Rom 3:18**)
 - b. Prior to regeneration, all men, Jews and Gentiles, were foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another (**Tit 3:3-5**).
 - c. The only reason that all men don’t live out all the evil propensities in their wicked hearts (**Jer 17:9**) is because God restrains their wrath (**Psa 76:10**).
- iv. It’s not just Jews who have a propensity for evil; it’s every one of us.
- v. If a man thinks the Jews are any more evil in their natures than he is, he does not know the depth of his own depravity.
- vi. Know thyself, and be not a fool who deceives himself (**Pro 14:8; Rom 7:18**).

7. CI Tenet #7: The Jews are literally the offspring of Satan.

- A. The Jews in the Bible (both Old and New Testament) are the offspring of Adam through Seth, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (**Luk 3:23-38; Mat 1:1-17**).
- B. Today’s “Jews” are mostly Khazars (Caucasians) from the area between the Black and Caspian Seas (modern-day southwestern Russia, southeastern Ukraine, western Kazakhstan, Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan).
 - i. The Khazars converted to Judaism in the 8th century and were later dispersed into eastern Europe in the 13th century when Mongols under Jenghiz Khan defeated the Khazarian empire.
 - ii. The Khazars are said to be the descendants of Japheth.
 - iii. Evidence to support these claims is found in the outline for the sermon series called “Israel: The Synagogue of Satan,” which can be found here: <https://pastorwagner.com/israel>.
- C. The claim that the Jews are the literal offspring of Satan is based on Jesus telling the Jews that they were of their father the devil (**Joh 8:41, 44**).

- i. The wicked Jews whom Jesus contended with were the children of Satan by imitation, not by generation (see CI Tenet #5).
 - ii. If **Joh 8:41, 44** proves that the Jews are the literal offspring of Satan, then it also proves that Jesus is likewise because His mother Mary was a Jew of the tribe of Judah (**Luk 3:23, 33-34**).
 - iii. It would also prove that Christian Jews like Paul and the other apostles were the literal offspring of Satan because they were the natural seed of Abraham (**2Co 11:22; Php 3:5**), just as were the rest of the Jews (**Joh 8:37**).
- 8. CI Tenet #8: The Jews are descended from Esau or the Canaanites rather than the tribe of Judah.
 - A. The Jews in the Bible were descended from Jacob, not Esau (see CI Tenet #7).
 - i. “Two seedism” teaches that Esau (like Cain) was fathered by Satan.
 - ii. Scripture refutes this foolishness, stating plainly that both Jacob and Esau were begotten by Isaac (**Rom 9:10**).
 - B. Some Jews in the Bible, such as Jesus Christ, were descended from the tribe of Judah (**Joh 4:9 c/w Luk 3:23, 33-34**).
 - C. The rest of the Jews in the Bible were descended from the other 11 tribes.
 - D. In NT times, there were still Jews/Israelites from all twelve tribes who were serving God (**Act 26:6-7**).
 - E. Some of the Jews from the other tribes repented and turned back to the Lord after He cast them off (**2Ch 30:1-12**).
 - F. James wrote his epistle to “the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad” (**Jam 1:1**).
 - i. In NT times, prior to the diaspora in 70AD, there were Jews all over the Roman empire.
 - ii. Aquila and Priscilla were Jews who were from Pontus (modern-day northern Turkey) and had lived in Italy (**Act 18:2**).
 - iii. Apollos was a Jew who was born in Alexandria, Egypt (**Act 18:24**).
 - iv. Paul was a Jew of the tribe of Benjamin (**Rom 11:1**) who was born in Tarsus which was a city in Cilicia (modern-day southern Turkey) (**Act 22:3**).
 - G. Modern-day Jews are descended from the Khazars (Japhethites), not from Esau or the Canaanites (see CI Tenet #7).
- 9. CI Tenet #9: Europeans are the chosen people and Jews are the cursed offspring of Cain, the serpent seed.
 - A. Jews (Biblical or modern) are not the cursed offspring of Cain (see CI Tenet #6), nor are they the biological seed of the serpent (see CI Tenet #7).
 - B. Europeans are not the chosen people.
 - i. Israel was God’s chosen nation.
 - a. Israel was God’s chosen nation from the time He brought them out of Egypt (**Deut 14:2; Isa 43:1, 3; Psa 135:4**).
 - b. The northern tribes came to be known as “Israel” after they rebelled against Rehoboam and followed Jeroboam (**1Ki 12:16-20**).
 - c. They were cast off by the LORD and given into the hand of the Assyrians who removed them from the land (**2Ki 17:15-23**).

- d. The southern kingdom of Judah was God's chosen nation until He destroyed them in 70AD (**Luk 21:24**).
- ii. Israel was a type and shadow of God's elect people (**Isa 45:4; Deut 7:6**).
- iii. God's elect are from every nation, people, and tongue (**Rev 5:9; Rev 7:9**).
- iv. When Israel's cup of iniquity was full, God took the kingdom from them and gave it to the elect, believing Gentiles (and elect, believing Jews), not just one nation (**Mat 21:33-45; 1Pe 2:9 c/w 1Pe 1:1-2; Joh 11:52 c/w Joh 10:16**).
- v. Under the New Covenant, there is no distinction made between Jew and Gentile, nationality, ethnicity, gender, etc. (**Gal 5:6; Col 3:11-12**).
- vi. Those who are in Christ are "the Israel of God" (**Gal 6:15-16**).
- vii. In *every nation*, those that fear God and work righteousness are accepted with God (**Act 10:35**).

C. Scripture nowhere teaches that Europeans are the chosen people of God.

10. CI Tenet #10: The Hebrew etymology of the word "Adam" (Aw-Dam) translates as "to show blood in the face, flush or turn rosey. Be dyed, made red (ruddy)", often quoting from James Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, and concluding that proves Adam as the ancestor of the Caucasian race.
- A. Be very wary of any doctrine that must be proven from Hebrew or Greek rather than the English words of the KJV.
 - i. "Adam" is almost always translated from the Hebrew word "adam" (aw-dawm) which is Strong's #H121.
 - ii. "Adam" is once translated (**Deut 32:8**) from the Hebrew word "adam" (aw-dawm) which is Strong's #H120.
 - iii. Strong's definitions:
 - a. Adam (Strong's H121) – The same as H120; *Adam*, the name of the first man, also of a place in Palestine: - Adam.
 - b. Adam (Strong's H120) – From H119; *ruddy*, that is, a *human being* (an individual or the species, *mankind*, etc.): - X another, + hypocrite, + common sort, X low, man (mean, of low degree), person.
 - c. Adam (Strong's H119) – To *show blood* (in the face), that is, *flush* or *turn rosy*: - be (dyed, made) red (ruddy).
 - iv. Even if *Adam* does mean "ruddy," that means that he was red-skinned, not Caucasian.
 - a. Ruddy *adj.* – 1. a. Of the face, complexion, etc.: Naturally suffused with a fresh or healthy redness. b. Of persons: Having a fresh red complexion.
 - b. If we are to determine Adam's skin color from Strong's definition, then should we conclude that any person who doesn't have red skin is not a human being, since H119 means, "*ruddy*, that is, a *human being*"?
 - c. If an error proves anything, it proves too much.
 - v. Even if *Adam* does mean "to show blood (in the face), that is, *flush* or *turn rosy*," that only proves that Adam was human and could blush.

- a. Black, brown, and Asian people can blush, although it is not as perceptible as it is in white people.
 - b. Strong's definition does not prove that Adam was Caucasian.
- B. What saith the KJV and the English word "Adam"?
 - i. Adam *n.* – 1. a. The name given in the Bible to the first man, the father of the human race; hence *fig.* as in the phrase **Old Adam**, the 'old man' of St. Paul (*Rom* vi. 6, etc.): The unregenerate condition or character. (OED)
 - ii. Adam *n.* – In Heb., Man; primarily, the name of the human species, mankind; appropriately, the first Man, the progenitor of the human race. The word signifies form, shape, or suitable form, hence, species. It is evidently connected with Heb., to be like or equal, to form an image, to assimilate. Whence the sense of likeness, image, form, shape; Gr., a body, like. [See Man.] (Webster's 1828 Dictionary)
 - iii. Neither the KJV, nor the English word *Adam*, suggest that Adam was Caucasian.
 - a. If it cannot be proven from the English word "Adam" that Adam was Caucasian (and it cannot), then it can't be proven with a KJV.
 - b. If a man can't prove his doctrine with the KJV, then it's either false or unprovable.
 - c. If an idea is unprovable from the KJV, then it is speculation, not Bible doctrine.
- C. Adam was the ancestor of the *human race*, not just the *Caucasian "race"* (**1Co 15:22, 45-49; Gen 3:20; Act 17:26**).