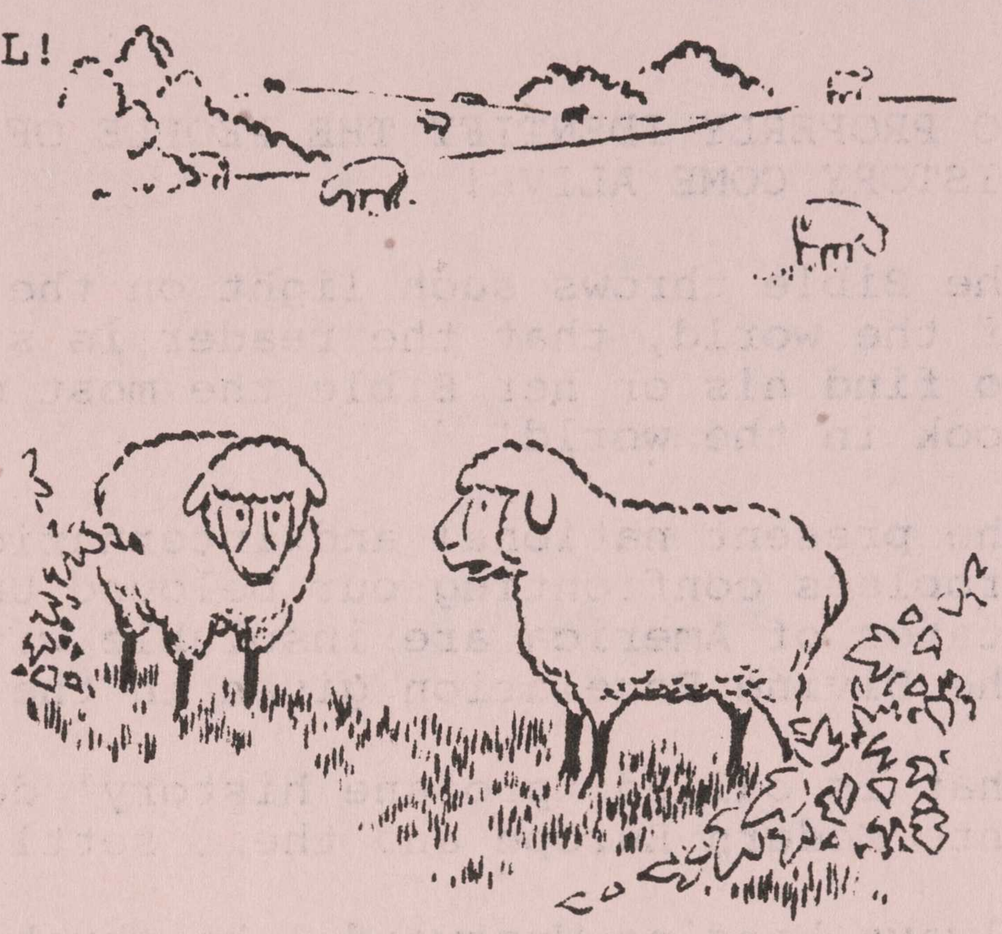
Please tell me=Who went astray? ISRAEL! *"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way;* (This includes Dispensationalism) *and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all." Isa. 53:5*



ALL WE, LIKE PEOPLE, HAVE GONE ASTRAY

The PROMISES stated that a multitudenous people would descend from them who would be used by the LORD as A SERVANT PEOPLE to convey God's benevolence (both material & spiritual) to the whole human race...

The PROMISES were later amplified to His People-nation, Jacob-Israel; who having emerged from Egyptian slavery was assembled nationally before the Divine Presence at Mt. Sinai fifty days after crossing the Red Sea in a great miraculous deliverance from Pharaoh's vengeful hosts.

At Mt. Sinai, God made a BI-LATERAL COVENANT with Israel. (Actually He married Israel!) If they nationally obeyed His Law, they would be blessed. If they did not. they would be punished----Even to the extent of being expelled from their Promised Land.

Bible History amply tells us they DID DISOBEY, and THAT THEY WERE EXPELLED, for punishment and re-training. To await the Prophetic fulfillment concerning the SALVATION-REDEMPTION conferred by the MESSIAH of Israel in His Sacrifice. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST IS THE REDEEMER-KING OF ISRAEL!

Hence Bible history tells of the deportation EN MASSE by the great Assyrian power of the Ten-Tribed Kingdom of Israel to the Caspian Sea region of Media. Later, a small residue of the Judah Kingdom was taken to Babylon and from this group developed the return from Babylon and the setting up of the small Jewish nation which came under the rule of Rome, into which the Saviour of the world (cosmos) was born.

Both the Testaments give assurance of Jacob-Israel's eventual national pardon by virtue of the paying by their MESSIAH-SAVIOUR, of the penalties incurred under their broken Covenant...

Prophecy greatly convey's Jehovah's pledge of restoration to His service for the same reason under the terms OF A NEW COVENANT, which was to be unilateral on God's part and without penalties...It's in that wonderful passage in Jeremiah's Book of Comfort. *"Behold, the days come saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah;* (note the broken brotherhood united in Messiah) *Not according to the Covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husbandunto them saith the LORD: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people." Jeremiah 31:31-34*

Why? I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.----THUS SAITH THE LORD!