

contend,<sup>28</sup> passages like Ezekiel 36 tell us that Israel will return in unbelief, then why couldn't God have embraced an unbelieving Israel in the first century?<sup>29</sup>

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28. Jim Fletcher, *It's the End of the World as We Know It [and I feel fine]* (Lake Mary, FL: Christian Life, 2009), 111.

29. There is the larger problem that if Israel had embraced Jesus as the Messiah, Daniel's 70<sup>th</sup> week would have followed with no gap in time. It's during this seven-year period that the antichrist appears and all hell breaks loose with two-thirds of the Jews living in Israel killed (Zech. 13:8). The entire dispensational scenario makes absolutely no sense.