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A possible connection with the Messiah son of Joseph, who will usher in the messianic era, according to Jewish traditional sources, but will be eventually slain by anti-messianic forces Slightly different interpretations of the Mashiach son of Joseph and

his relation with the Tribes in Jewish Kabbalist tradition

Anglo-Israelism main tenets

- The Tribes are identified with populations of Northern Europe, especially with Anglo-Saxons
- Anglo-Saxons are thus racially and spiritually part of the "Chosen People"
- World domination of Ephraim (= United Kingdom) and Manasseh (= United States of America) correspond to the messianic Fifth Monarchy of the prophecy of Daniel

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Developments of the Tribes' matter in Jewish Religious Zionism

- Readmission of the (supposed) descendants of the Tribes in the Land of Israel as a necessary step towards the messianic era
- Resettlement of Samaria, the ancient core of the Kingdom of Israel
- Enhancement of the alliance with Christian American philo-Semites