

# Nature Genetics: A Genetic View of Jewish History

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Ray Martinez <pyramidal@xxxxxxxx> wrote:–

[moderator's note: I have no idea why John thinks I wrote this article; I did not. The article in question was written by Jon Entine (for which see [www.abrahamschildren.net](http://www.abrahamschildren.net)) and seemed reasonably on–topic to me and no more beset with offensive comment than a lot of other posts here.

## Food For Thought

Aaron, the older brother of Moses, was not Jewish. Aaron was of the tribe of Levi (1). The word "Jews" does not appear in Scripture until well after the break–up of the united monarchy (2). "Jews" is derived from the tribe of Judah; hence Judah/Jewdah/Jews. It refers to citizens of the Southern kingdom of Judah (two tribes), capitol of Jerusalem; not to be confused with the Northern kingdom of Israel (ten tribes), capitol of Samaria.

According to Biblical chronology, Aaron, of course, lived in the 15th–14th century BC. The united monarchy separated into the two different kingdoms \*after\* the death of Solomon in the 10th century BC (3).

JE:–

I agree with the moderator. While the above may or may not be true it has little to do with this discussion. This is an evolutionary theory science list. What we discuss here is the validity within \_evolutionary science\_ of any proposed grouping including supposed human racial groups. Also, Jewishness as a culture (NOT as a racial sub species) will provide a selective force via the Baldwin Effect which may be quite different to other cultural selective forces providing a different evolutionary outcome for the individuals concerned.

It appears to me that most people cannot/refuse to make the critical separation of groups as \_selectors\_ which provide a Baldwin effect within falsifiable, monocentric Darwinism and groups acting as single, fitness

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independent \_selectees\_ necessarily competing against adult (fertile) forms that make up these groups allowing just \_non falsifiable,\_ dicentric group selection.

The point is that all Jews are Hebrews but not all Hebrews are Jews.

JE:-

To propose this as a SCIENCE you must provide falsifiable theories of both. Of course you can always take the easy way out and simply throw out falsifiability like almost everybody else who posts here allowing "anything goes".

Regards,

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