

10. There was no interest by either category to devote the interest or time necessary to grow in grace.
11. The failure to communicate by the priests, failure to exhibit any desire to hear the Lord's guidance by the people, and failure to execute His commandments led to the inability to discern the death spiral of the nation.
12. The inability to understand the speech of the Assyrian army reflected the inability of the people to understand the communication of prophetic warnings by Isaiah.
13. Following is the translation of verse 13 by the NET Bible, followed by an expanded translation that emphasizes the benighted status of the reversionistic Jews due to their rejection of divine thought:

Isaiah 28:13 - So the Lord's word to them will sound like meaningless gibberish, senseless babbling, a syllable here, a syllable there. As a result, they will fall on their backsides when they try to walk. (NET)

Isaiah 28:13 - Nevertheless, to the benighted, divine policies became an incomprehensible repetition of meaningless words, the exegesis of esoteric ideas. A little confusion here followed by more confusion there. Doctrine was taught so they might make the spiritual advance, yet they remained in the advanced stages of reversionism, that they may be shattered [**fifth cycle of discipline**], and snared [**defeated by a predator nation**], and captured [**taken into slavery**]. (EXT)

Doctrine of the Pivot: The Necessity for a Pivot

1. The lust for power always exceeds the need for power throughout angelic and human history.
2. There is always a need for a few people to fill qualified positions of legitimate authority.
3. Yet the lust for power inspires many to assume they are qualified to challenge those who are already in positions of authority.

4. In the field of political power, those with ill intent derived from cosmic rationales can destroy a client nation from within.
5. Loss of thought from an arrogant population also invites destruction from predator nations. Wrong decisions from a position of weakness usually withdraw support from the military and police.
6. The real reasons for Progressives' usual anti-military, anti-war philosophies are three-fold: **(1)** they have been propagandized by those influenced by the Dark Side, **(2)** they are pacifists that honestly believe no one really intends to harm us, and **(3)** they are cowards.
7. These attitudes and opinions will gain traction and have significant influence on national policies if there is not a strong pivot to trump them.
8. It is only through the restraining ministry of the Holy Spirit that keeps a client nation free. Freedom is maintained by the Spirit's teaching ministry to the believer and the believer's application of that truth in his daily life.
9. As goes the pivot, so goes the client nation.

Principles on Client Nations

1. Definition of the term "client":

Client: one that is under the protection of another; a person who engages the professional advice or services of another.¹

Client: among the ancient Romans, a citizen who placed himself under the protection of a patrician, who was called his patron. A dependent; one under the protection or patronage of another.²

Client: One for whom professional services are rendered. One dependent on the patronage of another. [From Latin *cliēns*, dependent, follower.]³

¹ Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, 11th ed., s.v. "client."

² Webster's New Twentieth Century Dictionary of the English Language: Unabridged, vol. 2, s.v. "client."

³ The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, s.v. "client."

Client: An organization using the services of a professional person. In ancient Rome, a plebeian under the protection of a patrician. Origin: late Middle English: from Latin *cliens*. The term originally denoted a person under the protection and patronage of another, hence a person “protected” by a legal adviser.

Client State: a nation that is dependent on another, more powerful nation.⁴

Client: Roman Antiquity: A plebeian under the patronage of a patrician, in this relation called a patron (*patrōnus*), who was bound, in return for certain services, to protect his client’s life and interests. One who is under the protection or patronage of another, a dependent.⁵

2. The Personality described in the definitions of “patrician” and “patron” is God. He provides “protection” for His client’s “lives and interests.”
3. As Patron, God functions as the “guardian, protector, and supporter: of client members. Each of these members are “freed slaves” from the slave market of sin over whom the Patron “retains rights” defined in Scripture.⁶
4. The responsibilities mentioned for personalities defined as the “pivot” requires each member to “engage the professional advice or services” of the Patron.
5. God as Patron dispenses advice through the teaching ministry of the Holy Spirit. Services from the Patron are rendered through the grace pipeline directed to the imputed righteousness of God.
6. The divine claim as patron, first to the Jewish race and ultimately to the Gentile, is mentioned in both the Tanakh and the New Testament:
7. Protection and deliverance of the Jews is the subject of:

Exodus 19: 3b - “Thus you [**Moses**] shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the sons of Israel:

⁴ *The New Oxford American Dictionary*, s.vv. “client,” “client state.”

⁵ *The Oxford English Dictionary*, vol. 2, s.v. “client.”

⁶ *Merriam-Webster’ Collegiate Dictionary*, s.v. “patron.”

Exodus 19:4 - 'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagle's wings, and brought you to Myself.

v. 5 - 'Now then, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant [**responsibilities of a client**], then you shall be My own possession [**obligation of the Patron**] among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine;

v. 6 - and you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation [**Client Nation status**].' These are the words that you shall speak to the sons of Israel." (NASB)

8. The Lord continues to repeat his appointment of Israel as His Client Nation in Deuteronomy:

Deuteronomy 7:6 - ""You are a holy people to the Lord your God; the Lord your God [**Patron**] has chosen you to be a people for His own possession [**client**] out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth." (Cf. 26:16–19) (NASB)

9. Israel, as a Client Nation, is also warned of divine discipline should she fail to perform her duties of being a "kingdom of priests" by neglecting to "obey My voice and keep My covenant" in:

Hosea 4:6 - My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being My priest [**Client Nation**]. Since you have forgotten the law of your God [**national reversionism**], I also will forget your children [**four-generation curse**; see **Second Commandment: Exodus 20:4–5; Numbers 14:18; Deuteronomy 5:8–9**]. (NASB)

10. "Priest Nation" is used for Israel because it had a specialized priesthood. The term "Client Nation" is used for any Gentile nation that performs the same functions during the Church Age. Instead of calling a Gentile nation a "priest nation," believers in the Church Age are a holy priesthood and the royal family of God.

11. Church Age believers are classified as a “royal priesthood” forming a “holy nation.” The real estate they occupy is a Client Nation.
12. These concepts are directed by Peter to “aliens scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia” in his introductory verse of 1 Peter.
13. We will emphasize those who make up the Pivot in a Client Nation in 1 Peter 2:4-5 and verse 9.