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*Jesusque est
discipulus tuus.*

Can't agree N.T., or Xn message is "fulfillment" -
at best a branch of original tree (message, revelation)
that reaches out to those beyond outside the org. covenant;
or alienated from God generally.

✓ This is still triumphalism: Christ is still the ultimate revelation
(N.T. supplies means of understanding O.T.)

Do we or do we not want Jews to continue to be with us, to
worship, to teach, to believe as they do?

Distinction between "undue proselytism" + "Xn witness" does
not meet the basic issue: the Xn claim that in Christ
the church community has the
Christ as central figure

Q is the fundamental one: must we feel an obligation, a need, to share our faith / belief? to "seek to show [others] how in Christ has come 'the light that enlightens every man'"? (what is basis for it?)

Is it not enough to testify to a sense of the Divine & the divine presence? (Is this not what Jesus gains from sense of Christ? Is there more than Jesus - + others - may have on other grounds?)

Built-in absolutism re Christ as the living God, & the revealed, etc.

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p. 281 - col 2 - what are "internal constraints":

(12) " - "God invites man to respond freely to His call"
"to serve him in spirit & in truth"

- Isn't God inviting us to respond in the way He set out for them? & aren't they responding?

So why must this "witness" to them about their way?

We need to respect & honor the ways of God with others, & their responses - as long as those ways serve God by serving others, & by not harming or threatening others

p. 281 13. constraints: psych., moral, cultural (1) -

which destroy or reduce personal judgment, freedom, or full autonomy

"indignity" of
14. "discriminate" vs. wish people or their faith

15. reject any acts or threat to change Jew's relig. faith by certain means - Freedom of conscience is "inalienable right" - (But ok to change relig. belief by acceptable "witness" apparently, This does not accept Jew, place or non mission in world!)

282 B.1 - ch's obligation to bear witness; (But this is church saying this!?)

282. B. 3. "wish to fulfill mission out of love;
if others (gods) don't want it, where is love then?"

283.B. b. ^{be} undercuts dialogue: it's just one of several means of
communicating ^{the} witness

B.7 - no exclusivism, imperialism, or self-sufficiency -

avoiding relativism -

→ no - it's time we adopted relativism!

ch's recognition of being "a pilgrim on this earth" -

276. 2 (# 3 + 4) - "Passover theme in salv^t history" -

ch's "Passover exodus is still happening" - ?

"continual living of the paschal event" - 3 ppc

"a continual 'memorial' of the Passover"

"Xn + " paschal spirituality"

What does all this mean? Is this an "undue" usurpation
of a ^{very} specific event in Jewish history — & of central
significance for J. faith + birth as a community —
and application of terminology to Xny?

276. I, # 1 "ch claims 2-fold mission in" : But on own terms!

"The binding command is present in both testaments:

but in quite different forms (as ch. developed N.T. —
abandoned + belittled the Law / mitzvot)

A. "ch takes as belonging to her the subtle command of
^{in to make known name of one God} the O.T.) — how belonging? not to accept on own terms
or observe — but only as "incorporated" [how?] ,
"fulfilled" [how?] + "delivered again in N.T."

277. 2. "people God has chosen for his plans ... is obliged to bring

other peoples ... to invoke name of God" : ch. prohibited

Jews from fulfilling this obligation —

— took it for itself in a way that did not do it "only through
grace of the one Lord" — i.e. we have to ask if the ch's
mission + vocation (which Feasts, celebrates) was an invalid

one. — whether this does not throw doubt on the entire
f + role of the ch. (midrash says a present event

- throws light on, + has influence on, past events!)
- 277.7 - 1st b "begin of salvation their love"
- 277.8. - 1st & apostles intended to "involve" + associate
Israel in "the Passover" sacrifices &
"Passover lottery" etc.
- 278.9. (1st part) why competition with the Gentiles
- 278.10. "In Passover there is no refuge, of