

From Creation to Eternity

God Working His Plan
for Our Salvation

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Gen.1:1



Patriarchal
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Acts 7:8-9

- God is giving man His will to be obeyed
 - Gen 2:16-17
- Man should respond with obedience and worship
 - Gen 4:3-4; Rom 10:17; Heb 11:4
 - Gen 4:26
- We have a problem – sin
 - Gen 3:1, 6
- We need a Savior
 - Gen 3:15 – the first **seed** promise; **seed of woman**

Patriarchal Dispensation

- Noah

- Genesis 6:14; 8:18-21

- Abraham

- Genesis 12:1-3; 22:18 – **another seed promise**
- ~2000 years after the first seed promise

- Isaac

- Genesis 26:4 – **seed promise**

- Jacob

- Genesis 28:14 – **seed promise**

- Judah

- Genesis 49:8-10 – **seed promise**
- Isaiah 9:6

- 430 years in Egypt

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 - Moses – Acts 7:35-38
 - Deuteronomy 5:1-3
- Man should respond with obedience and worship
 - Deuteronomy 28:1-2; 28:15-16
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What about other peoples?

- The Bible does not have in view much detail
- However...
 - Acts 14:15-17
 - Romans 1:18
- Consider
 - Jonah – Ninevah
 - Daniel and Nebuchadnezzar
 - Cyrus, king of Persia – Ezra 1:1

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Mosaic Dispensation

- 40 years wandering
 - Numbers 14:29
 - Why? Numbers 14:11
- Entered the land and possessed it
- Judges – 450 years
 - Why?
 - Judges 2:11, 16-19

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- “Give us a king” – 1 Samuel 8:6
- 120 years – Saul, David, Solomon
- During David’s reign, another promise
 - 2 Samuel 7:11-17 – **another seed promise**
 - ~650 years after the promise to Jacob
 - **King, everlasting kingdom, house**

Mosaic Dispensation

● 300 years after the promise to David:

- Isaiah 6:13-14; 9:6-7
 - The virgin shall conceive
 - ...a child is born
 - ...a Son is given
 - ...His government
 - ...His name will be called...
 - ...Prince of Peace
 - ...shall be no end
 - ...upon the throne of David
 - ...and over His kingdom
- Isaiah 2:2-3
 - ...the Lord's house
 - ...teach us His ways
 - ...from Jerusalem

Mosaic Dispensation

- Divided kingdom
 - Jereboam – 10 northern tribes – Israel ~ 200 years
 - Rehoboam – 2 southern tribes – Judah ~340 years
- Late in Judah's days
 - Jeremiah 31:31-34
 - **New covenant**; different; a spiritual covenant for a spiritual kingdom
- 70 years of captivity
- Daniel 2:44
 - **Kingdom** that shall not be shaken
- Isaiah 44:28
 - Some ~150 years later: Ezra 1:1

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“in the fullness of time”

- Galatians 4:4-5
 - Born of a woman
- Luke 1:30-35; Matthew 1:18-23
 - Seed of woman – virgin
 - Seed of David
 - Kingdom – forever
 - Seed of Abraham
- Fulfillment of promise to Abraham
 - Galatians 3:8, 16

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● Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is the fulfillment of the promises made...

- In the garden
- To Abraham, Isaac, Jacob
- Judah
- David

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- The Savior has come
- God is working His plan
- God’s promises do not fail. At times it may have seemed they would from any human reasoning

The Kingdom of Heaven is Preached

- John the Baptist – Matthew 3:2
- Jesus preached His Gospel
 - Matthew 4:23
- Jesus, the new lawgiver
 - Deuteronomy 18:15
 - Acts 3:19-26
 - Matthew 7:29
 - Taught His new law
 - John 3:3-5
 - Matthew 26:26-29
- Perfectly lived under the law of Moses
 - Hebrews 4:15; 5:8-9

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 - Luke 19:10
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 - John 8:24
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Jesus the Christ, the Son of God...

- Chose 12, lost 1 to perdition
- Told his 12 what was coming
 - Matthew 16:21
- On the night of His betrayal, He said what would shortly come to pass
 - Matthew 26:28
 - Isaiah 53
- Suffered and died
 - Philippians 2:8
 - Hebrews 2:9
- Raised from the dead
 - Romans 1:1-4
 - Acts 1:3

Jesus the Christ, the Son of God...

- Commissioned His apostles to preach the good news
 - Mark 16:15-16
 - Matthew 28:18-20
- The gospel's foundational truth:
 - 1 Corinthians 15:1-4
- They were to remain in Jerusalem
 - Luke 24:46-49
 - They did

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Jesus Fulfilled the Promises...

- Seed
 - Galatians 3:16
- Blessing
 - Galatians 3:14; 26-29
- Peace
 - Romans 5:1
- House
 - 1 Timothy 3:15
- King
 - Hebrews 1:3
- Kingdom
 - Colossians 1:13
- Lawgiver
 - Acts 3:18-26
- Covenant
 - Hebrews 9:15

The Gospel Dispensation

- Hebrews 8:6-13
 - New covenant
 - Forgiveness of sins
 - Hebrews 10:4
- Old covenant, the law of Moses, never intended to go on forever – Galatians 3:19

The last days: the gospel age

- To be taught with all authority by His apostles
 - 2 Corinthians 5:20
- More than just how to be saved initially, but how to stay saved and please the King
 - Acts 20:32
- Delivered in parts until the parts added up to the perfect
 - 1 Corinthians 13:9-10
 - Jude 3
- We live today in this age with all that we need that pertains to life and godliness
 - 2 Peter 1:3-4
- Christ is returning on the last day
 - 2 Peter 3:10
 - 1 Corinthians 15:24-26
 - John 5:28-29
 - Matthew 25:41, 46
 - Revelation 20:12-15
 - 2 Thessalonian 1:6-8
- Therefore we want to persuade men
 - 2 Corinthians 5:9-11
 - Acts 26:28-29

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- Since sin is a universal problem, we ought to have the utmost concern to get the good news out
 - Romans 1:16

- Men through the ages have always failed when they left the law of God
 - Hebrews 3:12-13

- It is critical that we understand what God's law for us is today
 - Cannot follow the wrong law and please God
 - 2 Timothy 2:15
 - Why the law of Moses?
 - Schoolmaster to lead to Christ – Galatians 3:24

- God had a plan from the foundation of the world – salvation in Jesus Christ
 - Ephesians 1:4
 - Acts 2:23
 - Revelation 13:8
 - How fortunate we are
 - Ephesians 1:3-7

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