

THE MOST IMPORTANT BOOK IN THE WORLD!

ROMANS

Rom. 4

FAITH RIGHTEOUSNESS

GOD FORESEES AND WROTE STRANGE THINGS—Gal. 3

- 1. Abraham believed God and it was counted to him for righteousness (Gen. 15:6).**
- 2. God, foresaw that He would justify the Gentiles apart from Israel and her Law, and with that in mind wrote Scripture in a way that did not preclude that possibility in the future by choosing certain words and terminology and by writing them into Scripture at specific places.**
- 3. God, foreseeing that a time when He would extend mercy to a world in unbelief apart from Abraham's physical multiplied seed (Israel—Rom. 11) announced His Good News to Abraham and wrote: In thee shall ALL the nations be blessed and recorded it in Gen. 12:3.**
- 4. God, foreseeing that Israel would enter into the Law and come under its curses unto death rather than its blessings unto life, wrote: The just shall live by faith. (3:10-12)**
- 5. God, foreseeing that Israel would need to be redeemed from the curses of the Law, added these strange words to the Law: Cursed is every one that hangs on a tree (Deut. 21:23).**

TIMELINE OF ABRAM/ABRAHAM'S LIVE

RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD IN (SPIRITUALLY) SAVING HIS ENEMIES BECAUSE HE HAS NO FRIENDS

RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD IN (PHYSICAL) SAVING FRIENDS AND DESTROYING ENEMIES

75 yrs.

82 yrs.

84-85 yrs.

99 yrs

123 yrs.

God calls and makes promises to Abram

God confirms the promise of an heir and inheritance of the land of Canaan, then solidifies all into a Covenant.

Abraham, the Friend of God, beginning faith-based obedience--Right. of God in saving friends and destroying enemies.

Gen. 12

Gen. 13:14-17

Gen. 15:1-19

Rom. 4:3-5

Gen. 17:4-14

Rom. 4:9-12;17-22

Gen. 18

Gen. 22:15-18

Rom. 4:13-16

Moses/Law

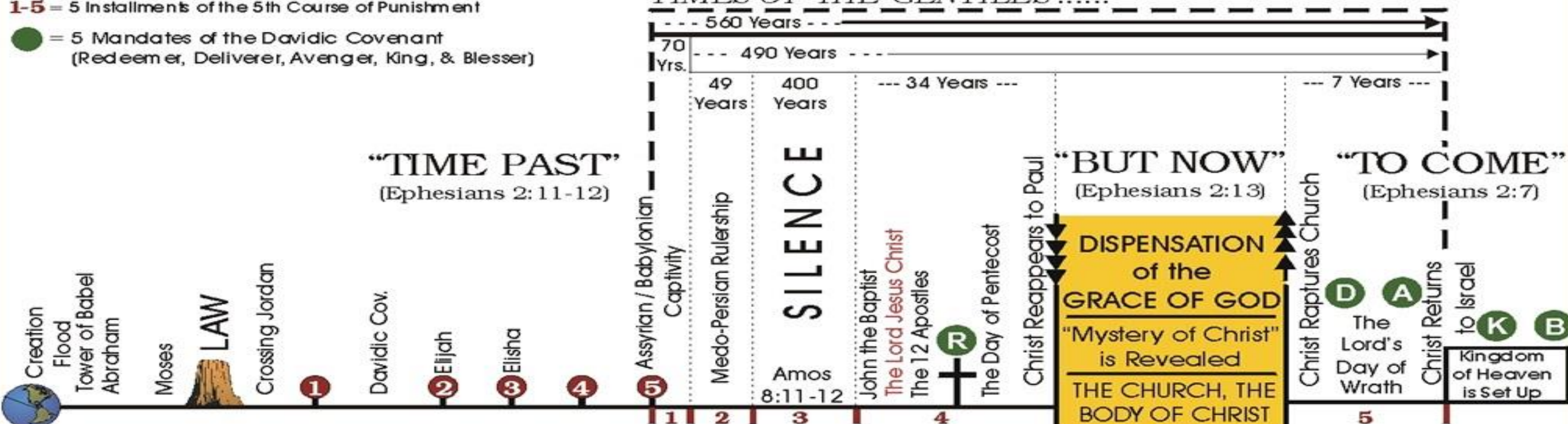
Promise of the Land of Canaan

Named Abraham—Father of many nations. God narrows focus to physical progeny and Circumcision was made the seal.

The land inheritance is extended to the whole earth.

- = 5 Courses of Punishment (Lev. 26)
- 1-5 = 5 Installments of the 5th Course of Punishment
- = 5 Mandates of the Davidic Covenant (Redeemer, Deliverer, Avenger, King, & Blessor)

TIMES OF THE GENTILES



ISRAEL - "The Circumcision" - "nigh unto God"

THE LAW serves as a "middle wall of partition."

GENTILES - "Uncircumcision" "far off" "without God"

"BOTH ONE"
"ONE NEW MAN" now being formed

Israel's Program is Resumed and Fulfilled

Genesis	Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deut.	Josh.	Jud. Ruth 1 Sam 1-16	1 Sam 16 to 1 Kgs 12	1 Kgs 12 to 22	2 Kgs 10:32 to 10:31	2 Kgs 17:1 to 25:30	2 Kgs 17:1 to 25:30	Ezr Neh Est	The Silence of God	Matthew Mark Luke John	Acts 1-8	Acts 9-28 God changes the status of the Gentiles	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation
									Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon				Romans 1 & 2 Corinthians Galatians Eph. Phil. Col. 1 & 2 Thessalonians 1 & 2 Timothy Titus, Philemon	
				1 and 2 Chronicles		Isa, Jer, Lam, Ezk, Dan, Hos, Joel, Amos, Oba, Jon, Mic, Nah, Hab, Zeph, Hag, Zec, Mal.								

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- 6. God, foreseeing that He would bring the blessing of Abraham (Justification by faith) to the Gentiles apart from Israel (Abraham's multiplied/many seed) and directly through Christ (Abraham's ONE Seed) used specific word that could refer to both: SEED, which can refer to many "seed" or one "seed."**
- 7. Whereas in Rom. 4:16, Paul showed that if the promise to Abraham and His multiplied seed to inherit the earth was dependent on keeping the Law, then the promise would be nullified and Israel's Prophetic Program would come crashing down.**
- 8. Here, in Gal. 3:17-18, Paul showed that if the promise of the Spirit today was dependent on keeping the Law, then that promise would be nullified—the grace of God frustrated, the death of Christ would have been for nothing—and the Body of Christ's Mystery Program would come crashing down as well! It is all just VANITY! (Gal. 2:21; 3:1-6, 18,**

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Because God foresaw He would justify the gentiles apart from Israel's Prophetic Program and her Law, He wrote: Abraham believed God and it was counted to him for righteousness in Gen. 15:6.

---That's how God justified the Galatians as well.

Because God foresaw preaching Good News to the Gentiles apart from Israel's Good News of the Kingdom, He wrote of the Good News He gave to Abraham: In thee shall all the nations be blessed in Gen. 12:3.

---And God preached the Good News, the Gospel of Grace of Christ, to the Galatians.

Because God foresaw that the Law can only bring curses that would result in the destruction of the nation, city and Temple, and dispersing the people among the Gentiles He wrote: The just shall live by faith in Hab. 2:4, just before the Babylonian Captivity.

---The Galatians needed to realize that they must live by faith not the Law.

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**Because God foresaw the Jews would need not only redemption from sin and death but redemption from the curses of the Law as well, God wrote: Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree in Deut. 21:23. In doing this for the Jews, Christ made it possible for Jews to receive the Holy Spirit today through the riches of salvation that God is dispensing through the Gentiles (Rom. 11) on the basis of Grace—
DIRECTLY THROUGH CHRIST!**

Because God foresaw that He would bless the world directly through Christ, He wrote: And to thy “Seed” (of one) in Gen. 17:8.

---The Galatians needed to realize that today, God’s blessings do not come indirectly through Israel, but directly through Christ.

Therefore, living the Christian life doesn’t come from going back to the Law and Israel’s Prophetic Program but by going on in Christ and the Body of Christ’s Mystery Program. (Gal. 2:19-21; 3:26-29)