

THE MOST IMPORTANT BOOK IN THE WORLD!

# ROMANS

Rom. 4

**FAITH RIGHTEOUSNESS**

# 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.

# ROMANS 4 AND THE TRUE JEW

**Rom. 4 is basically an expansion of Rom. 2:29.**

- a. Rom. 4:1-8: The true Jew before God is not the one who is justified by his own works that put God in his debt but is justified by God on the basis of Faith so that it can be by Grace.**
  
- b. Rom. 4:8-12: The true Jew before God is not one who is only externally circumcised but who is externally circumcised and has the righteousness of faith as well.**
  
- c. Rom. 4:13-16:**
  - 1. The true Jew before God is not one who only possesses the Law but has the righteousness of faith as well.**
  
  - 2. If fulfillment of God's promise to Abraham and his multiplied seed (the nation Israel) to inherit the world was dependent on keeping the Law, then the promise is nullified and God's whole Prophetic Program with Israel self-destructs and comes crashing down.**

# THE LAW

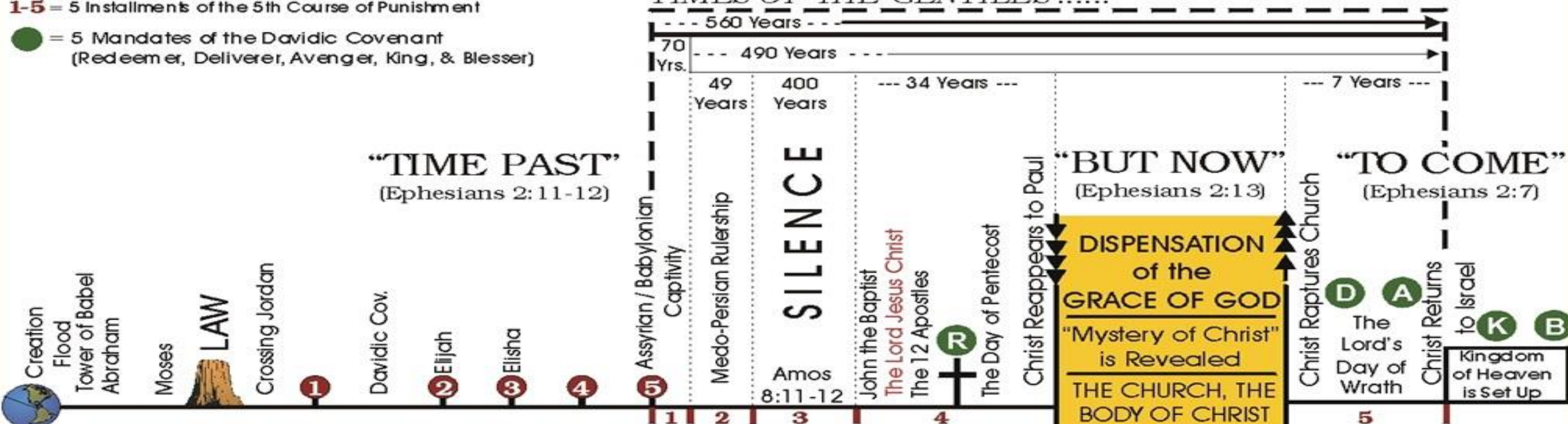
- 1. The basic problem with sinners relating to God on the basis of the Law and Works was stated and the giving of the Law in Ex. 19:8:  
--"we will do" turns away from and excludes "I (God) will do."**
- 2. God provided Israel with His Jehovah I AM or I WILL BE Name so that He could do whatever Israel needed to do to make her into the nation He created her to be.**

## **Jehovah compound Names:**

- a. I AM Will Provide—Gen. 23:14**
- b. I AM your Banner—Ex. 17:15**
- c. I AM your Healer—Ex. 15:26**
- d. I AM your Peace—Judges 6:24**
- e. I AM your Shepherd—Ps. 23:1**
- f. I AM your Righteousness—Jer. 23:6**
- g. I AM the One Who Sanctifies you—Ex. 31:13**
- h. I AM There (with you)—Ezek. 48:35**

- = 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”

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

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- 3. Israel needed God to do everything, and He was willing to do it. (Ex. 13:14-15; 14:13-14; 15; 16:9-12; 17:8-15; 18:8-12)**
- 4. The only thing the Israelites should have been “doing” is praising God for the things He has done for them. (Ex. 15).**
- 5. There were two possible story lines for the Israelites. Choosing Law rather than Grace, their whole existence entered into an unbearable bondage.**
  - a. Continue by their own works and power under the Law in a bondage that made them want to go back to Egypt rather than ahead with God. (Ex. 18:13-27; cf. Num. 11:10-17)**
  - b. Continue being carried along as on eagle’s wings by the Grace resident in God’s Jehovah Name (Ex. 19:1-4).**

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6. What the Israelites should have learned from God's 52 days of Grace Teaching from Goshen to Sinai.
  - a. They must ALWAYS rely by faith on the grace resident in God's Jehovah Name—water, food enemies.
  - b. They must NEVER enter into a relation with God that is based on Law—collecting manna.
7. At Sinai, they rejected the Grace of God, they rejected being carried along as on eagle's wings, they rejected God doing everything for them, they rejected everything, and the result was disaster.
  - By Grace God brought them to Himself in peace (Ex. 19:4).
  - By the Law God drove them away from Himself in terror (Ex. 19:12-25; 20:18-21).
8. The Law does the same thing today: Rom. 4:15 ; 6:14; 7:4-5; Gal. 3:10-11; 2 Cor. 3:7-10.

