

BIBLICAL THEOLOGY OF MISSION

Supplemental Diagrams

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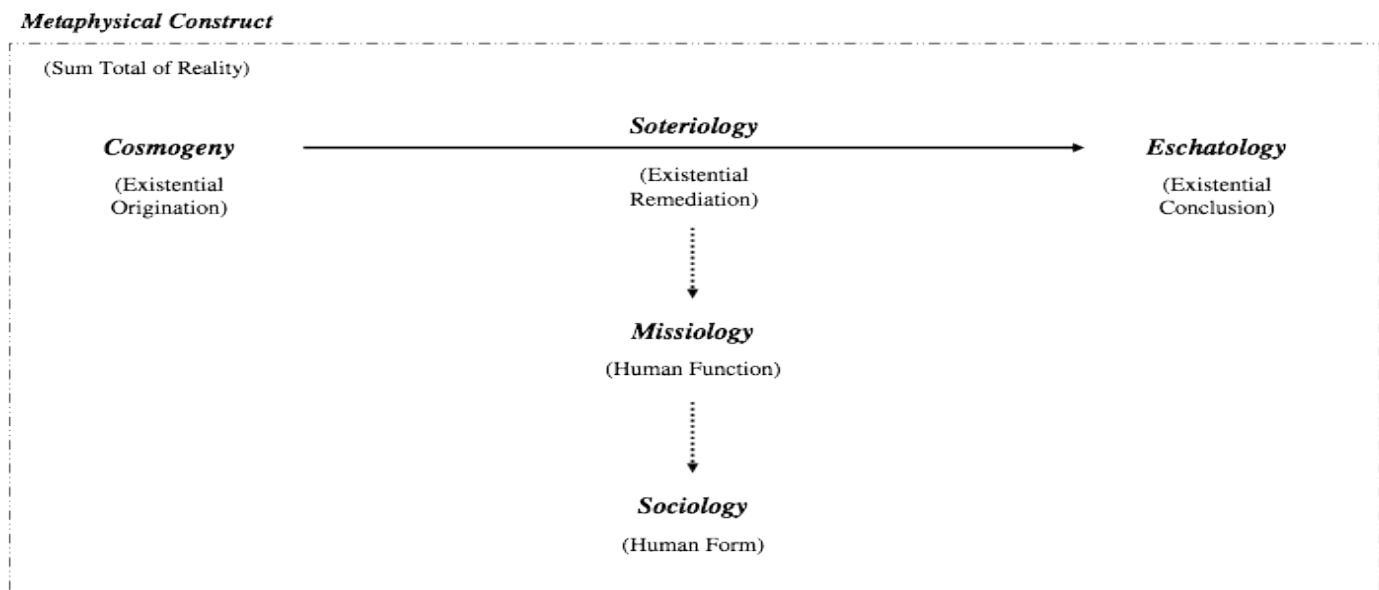
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BIBLICAL THEOLOGY OF MISSION

Existential Comparison Chart of Major Worldviews

	Naturalism	Hinduism	Buddhism	Islam	Judaism/Christianity
1) Who/What caused existence?	Nature (self-existent time/space/matter, cf. Brahman)	Brahman (self-existent, all encompassing, impersonal matrix)		Allah (self-existent monistic personal deity)	YHWH (self-existent triune personal deity)
2) How did existence originate?	<i>Immediate:</i> Big Bang: explosion of all matter (from non-existence?) <i>Ultimate:</i> Perpetual cosmological compression and explosion	Perpetual cosmological death and resurrection (i.e. rebirth) Creation by polytheistic gods Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva (manifestations of Brahman)	Assumed Hindu cosmogony (soteriological primacy)	Creation <i>ex nihilo</i> by word of monistic self-existent Being	Creation <i>ex nihilo</i> by word of triune self-existent Being
3) When did existence originate?	~13.7 billion YA	51 Brahma YA (~155 trillion YA)		~ 6,000 YA	~ 6,000 YA
4) Why did existence originate?	To perpetuate self-existence (i.e. reproduction)	Arbitrary impersonal "will" of Brahman > creative polytheistic gods		Perpetual well-being through submission to Allah's will	Perpetual well-being through submission to YHWH's will & communion with YHWH's Spirit
5) Where is existence going? (i.e. eschatology)	<i>Immediate:</i> Uniformitarian progressive self-existence (ever higher levels of existential complexity and consciousness) <i>Ultimate:</i> Perpetual cosmological compression and explosion	Worldwide destruction: by Kalki (the tenth and last avatar/incarnation of Vishnu) before Shiva dissolves and Brahma regenerates the universe Perpetual cosmological rebirth/reincarnation	Worldwide enlightenment: eradication of suffering and unification in love/tolerance by Maitreya (final Buddha) Perpetual cosmological rebirth/reincarnation	Worldwide Islamic society: eradication of all <i>kuffar</i> by coming of Mahdi and Muslim Jesus (Shiite) Recreated perpetual cosmological reality, i.e. heaven/hell, ushered in by "Day of Judgment" (Shiite/Sunni)	Worldwide Messianic Kingdom: substantial redemption of man and eradication of evil by 2 nd Coming of Jesus Regenerated perpetual cosmological reality—complete redemption of man and eradication of evil, i.e. "New Heaven and Earth," ushered in by "Great White Throne Judgment"
6) What is my ontological relationship to existence?	Man is a random conglomeration of matter within space (self = Self)	Man is an extension of Brahman (Self → self)	Man is in reality non-existent (self = delusion)	Man is created in the image of God (self ~ Self)	Man is created in the image of God (self ~ Self)
7) What is my functional relationship to existence?	Conformity to natural selection (survival of the fittest)	Conformity to dharmic truth (the Laws of Manu)	Conformity to dharmic truth (the Four Noble Truths)	Conformity to Sharia Law as expounded by Qur'an, sunnah, hadiths	Conformity to Sinaitic Law as expounded by Sermon on the Mount
8) How did existence become imperfect? (i.e. sin)	Existential imperfection: death & suffering are inherent to existence	Ignorance: mistake of thinking self is separate from Self > disharmony	Ignorance: mistake of thinking self is reality > desire > suffering	Rebellion: Tree of the Knowledge of God and Evil	Rebellion: Tree of the Knowledge of God and Evil
9) How is existence made right? (i.e. salvation)	(1) Existential righteousness by natural selection; (2) Anthropocentric righteousness by reproduction	(1) Existential righteousness by adherence to Yamas & Niyamas and through Bhakti, Karma & Jñāna Yoga	Anthropocentric righteousness by adherence to the Noble 8-Fold Path	Anthropocentric righteousness by adherence to the Five Pillars	Theocentric righteousness by activity of YHWH's Spirit made possible by substitutionary atonement of Jesus

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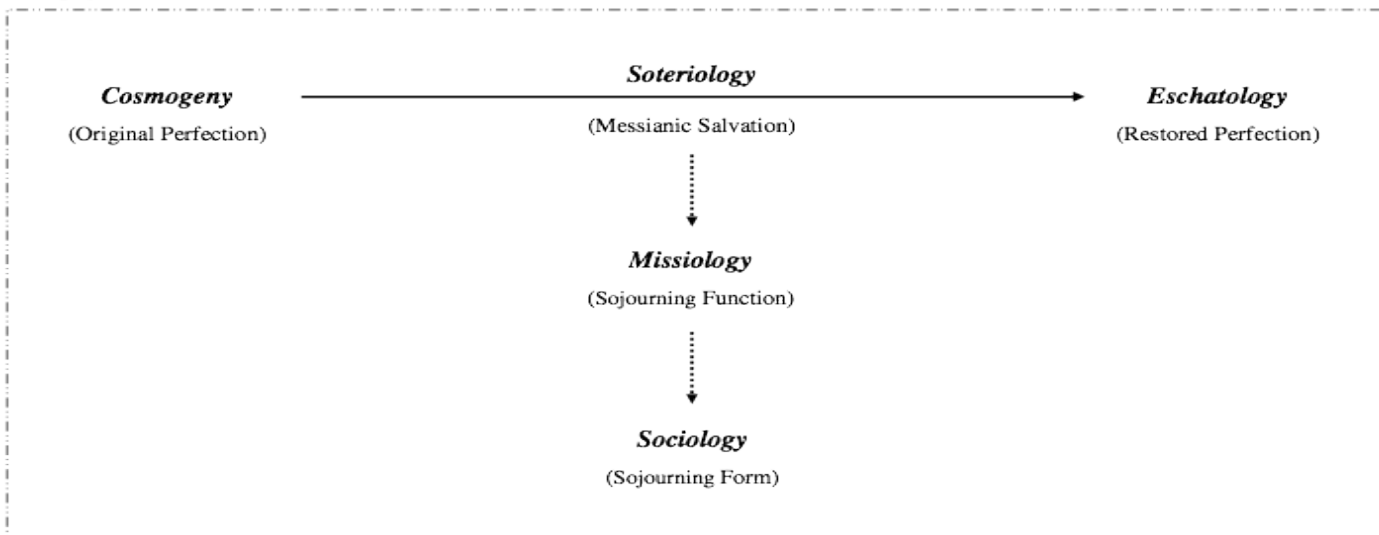
Worldview:

"A comprehensive view of the world and human life." (*HyperDictionary.com*)

"A comprehensive conception or image of the universe and of humanity's relation to it." (*Dictionary.com*)

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Metaphysical Construct: Heavens and Earth

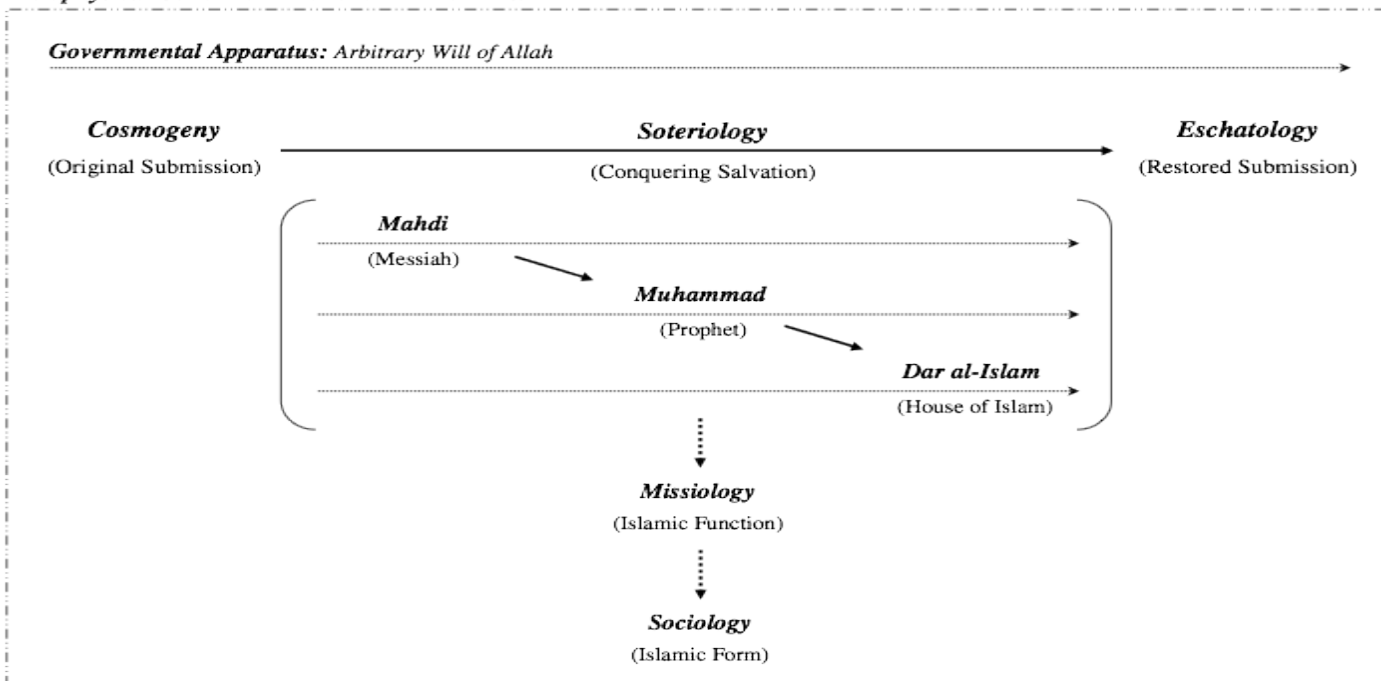


Messianic Worldview:

The all-encompassing view of the heavens and the earth within which all of creation is restored (i.e. soteriology) at the end of the age (i.e. eschatology) to its original state of perfection (i.e. cosmogeny) by means of the Messianic Seed (cf. Gen. 3:15).

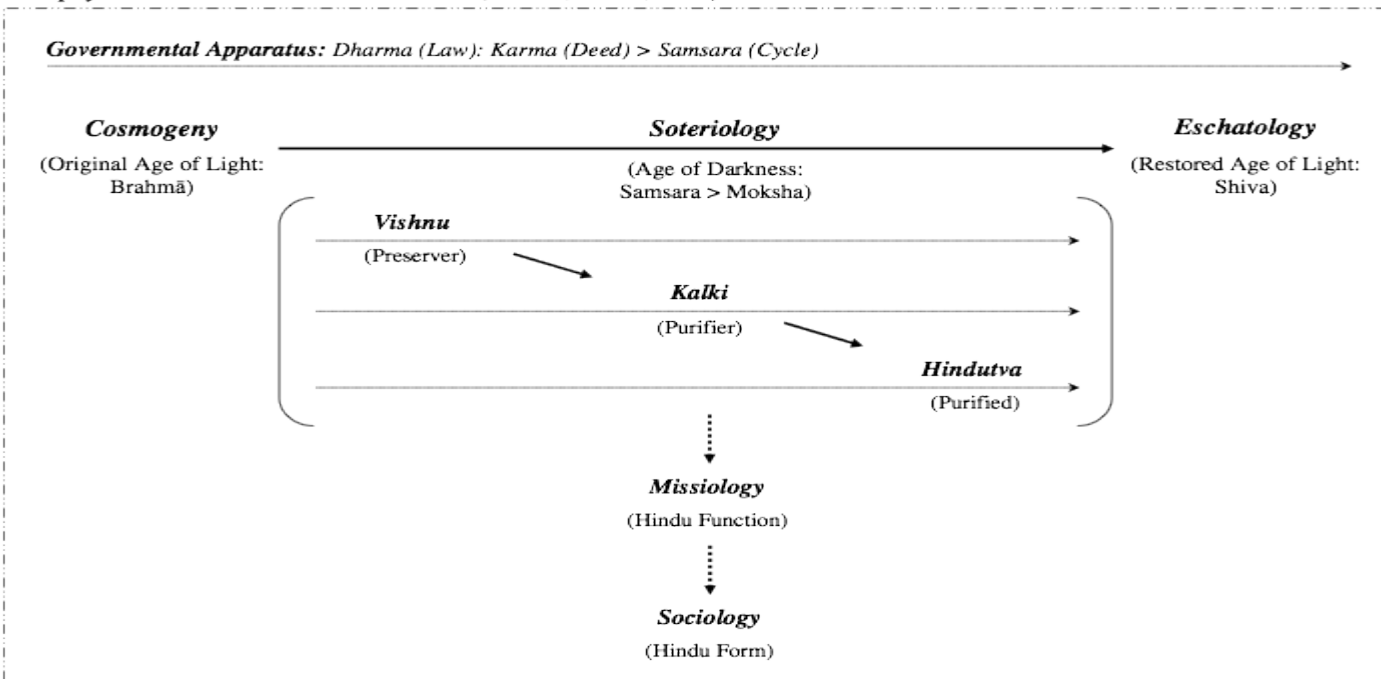
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Metaphysical Construct: Dualistic Heaven/Hell & Earth



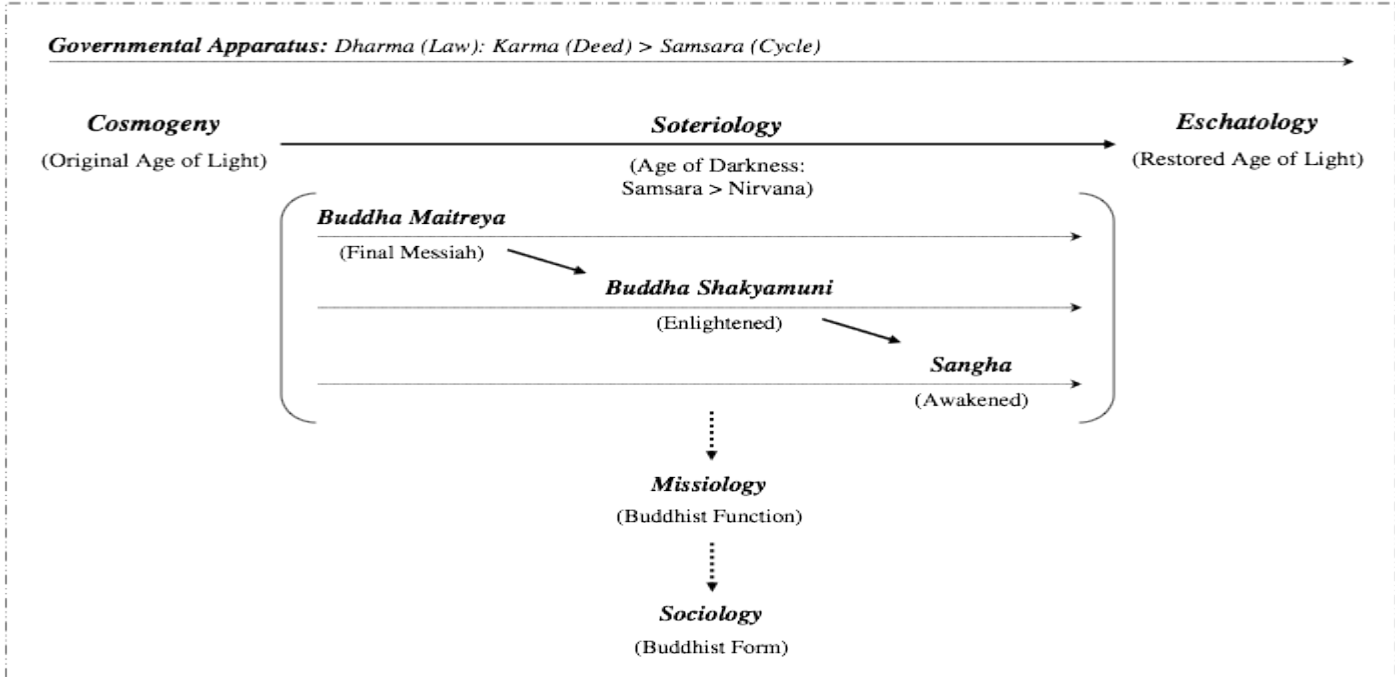
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Metaphysical Construct: Brahman > Trimurti (Brahmā, Vishnu, Shiva)



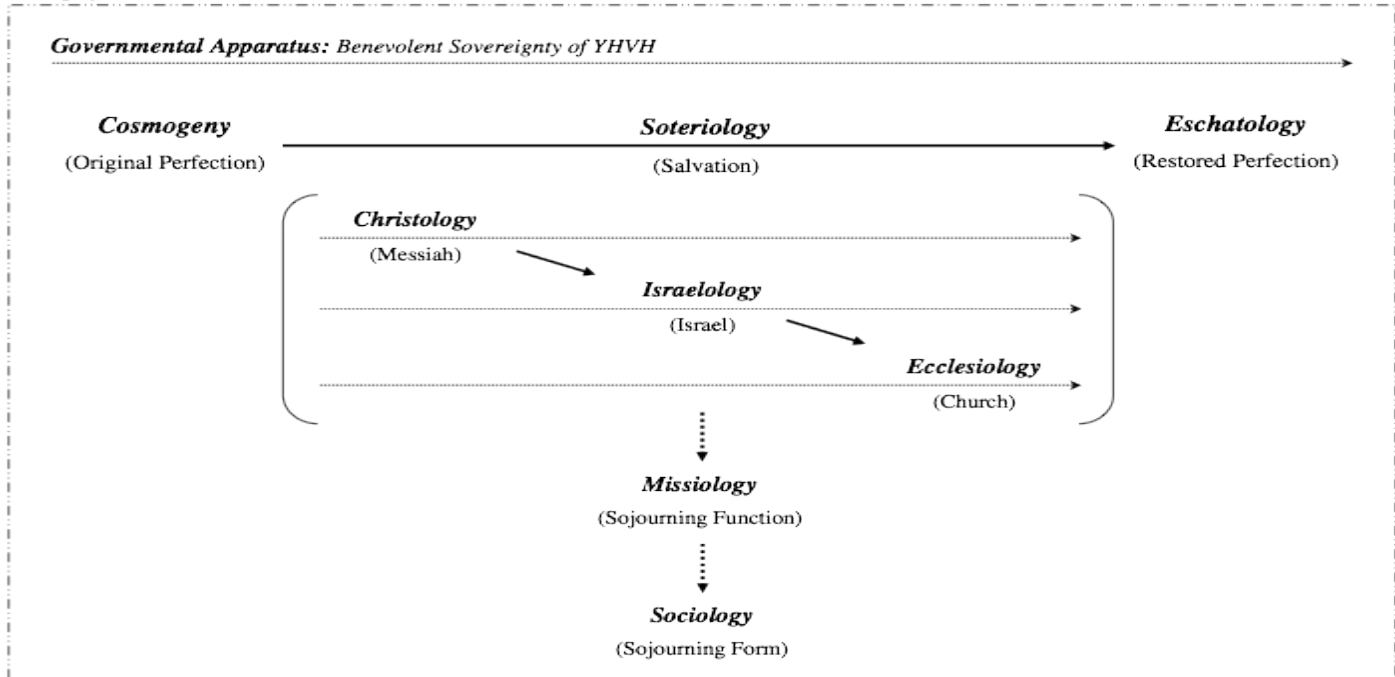
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Metaphysical Construct: Brahman > Tridhātu (Ārūpyadhātu, Rūpadhātu, Kāmadhātu)

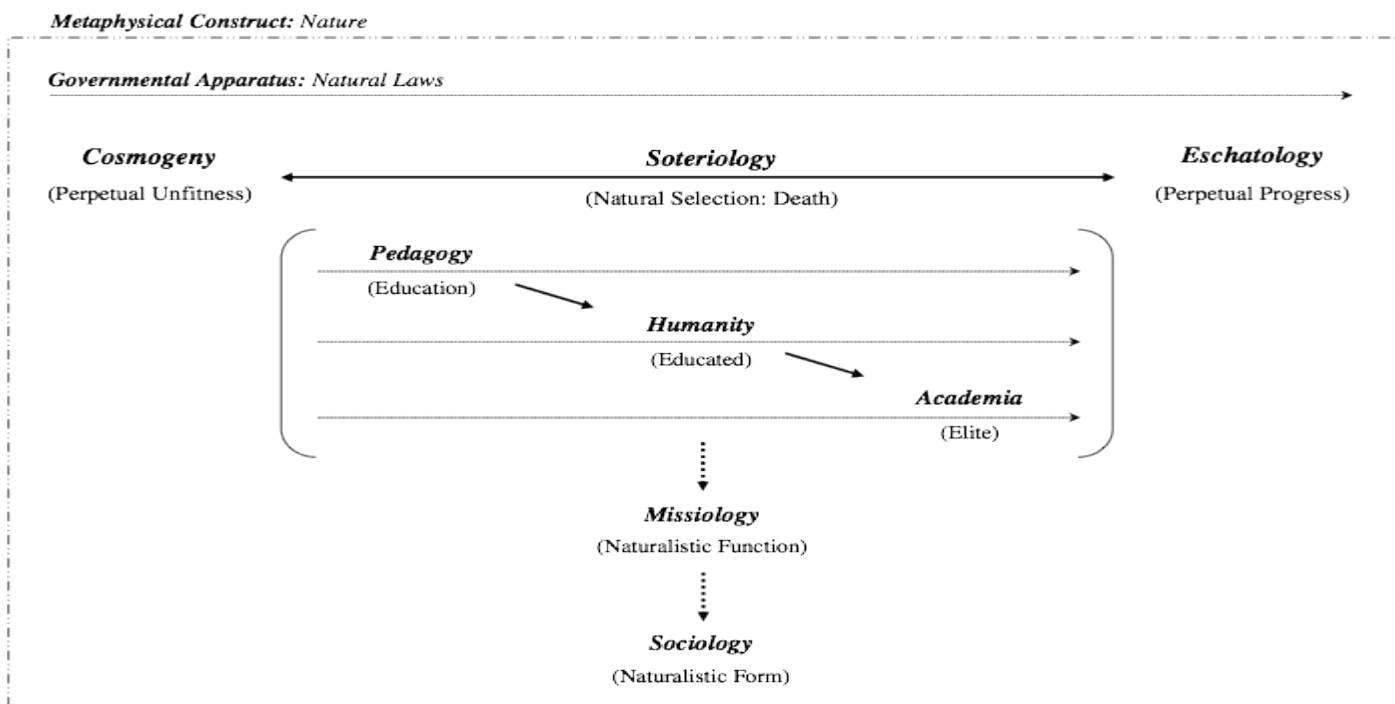


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Metaphysical Construct: Heavens and Earth



BIBLICAL THEOLOGY OF MISSION – NATURALISTIC FLOW CHART



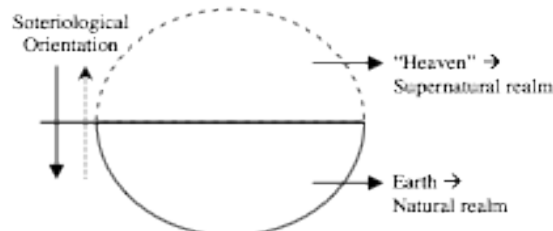
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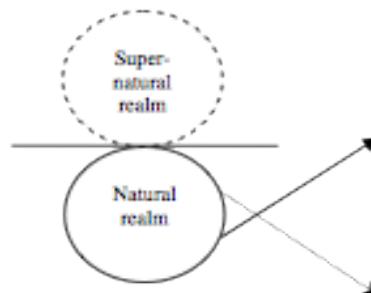
**I. Biblical
Worldview:**



**II. Hellenistic
Metaphysical
Dualism:**
(c. 100-300 AD)



**III. Renaissance
Naturalistic
Progressivism:**
(c. 1400-1600 AD)



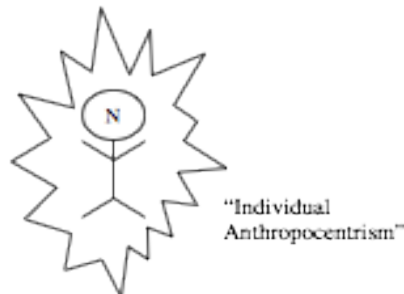
**IV. Enlightenment
Naturalistic
Anthropocentrism:**
(c. 1650-1800 AD)



**V. Darwinian
Naturalistic
Pantheism:**
(c. 1800-1900 AD)



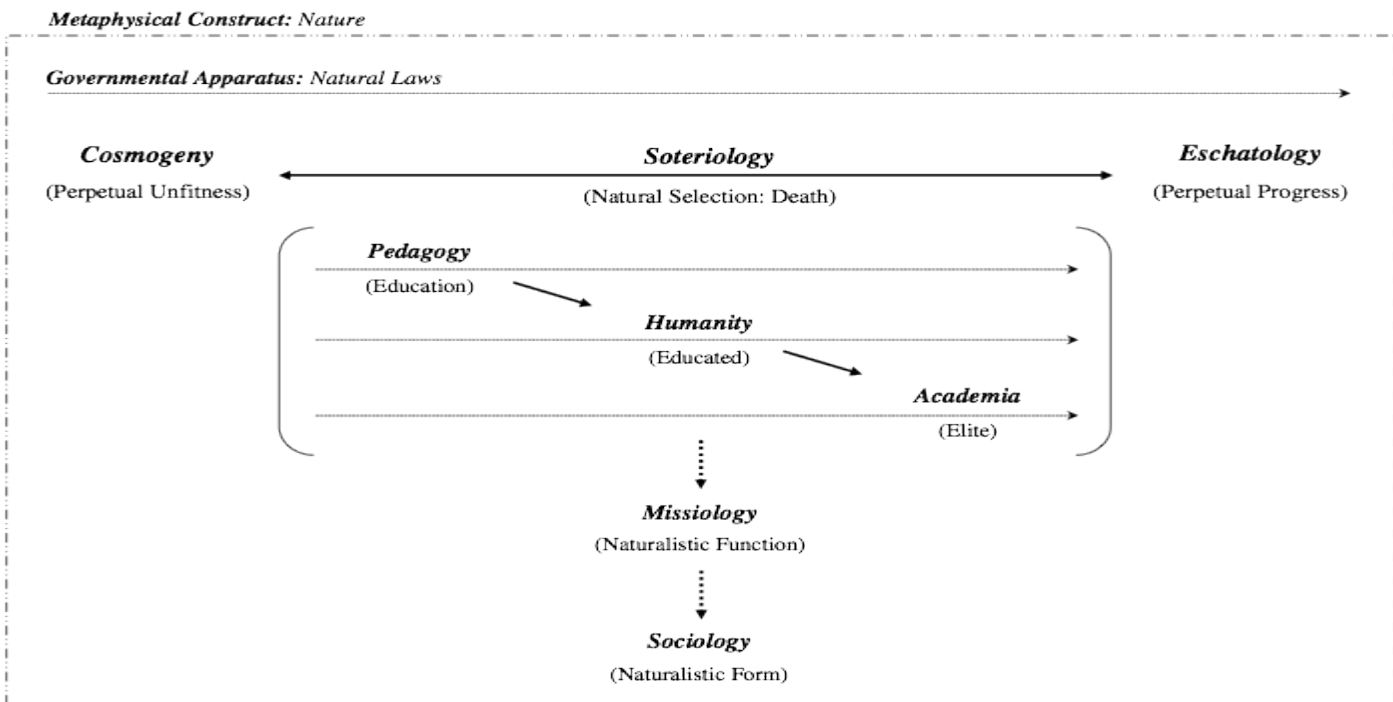
**VI. Freudian
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Anthropology:**
(c. 1900-Present)



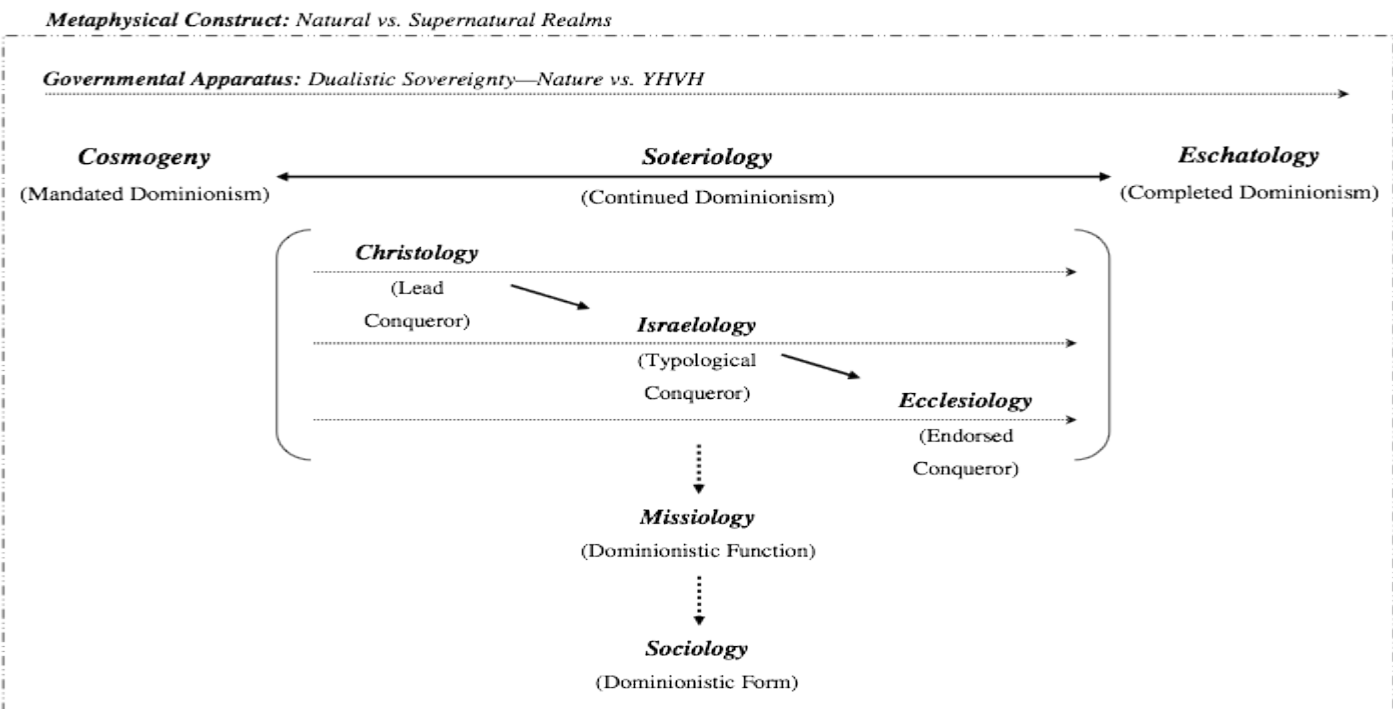
(Anthropocentrism → Pride → Moral Autonomy)

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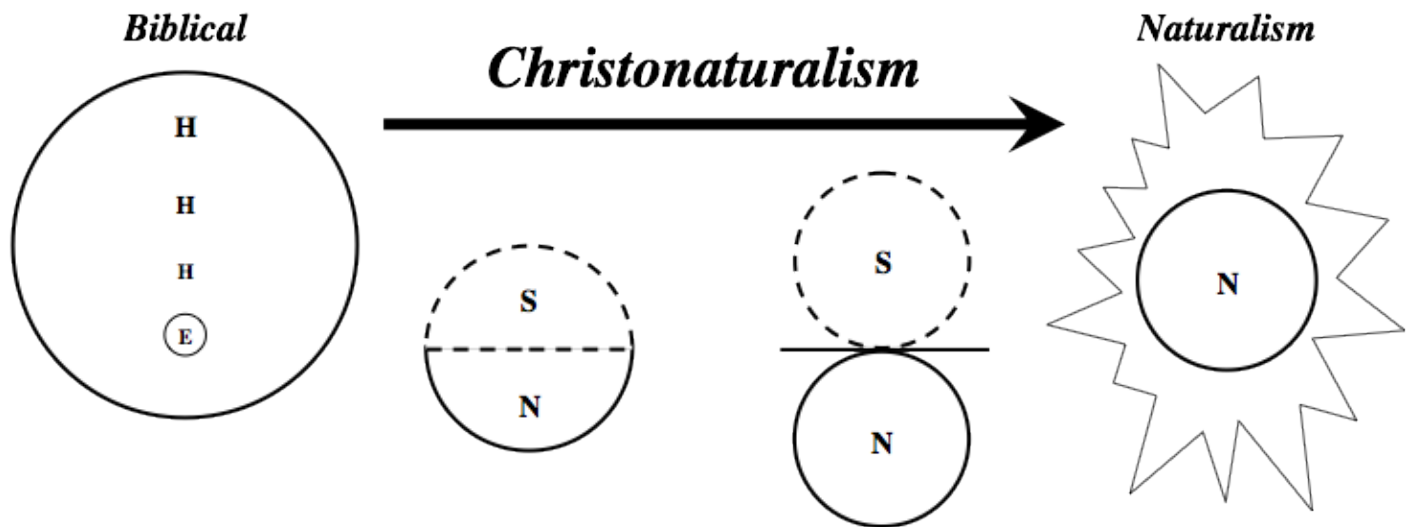
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BIBLICAL THEOLOGY OF MISSION – CHRISTONATURALISTIC FLOW CHART

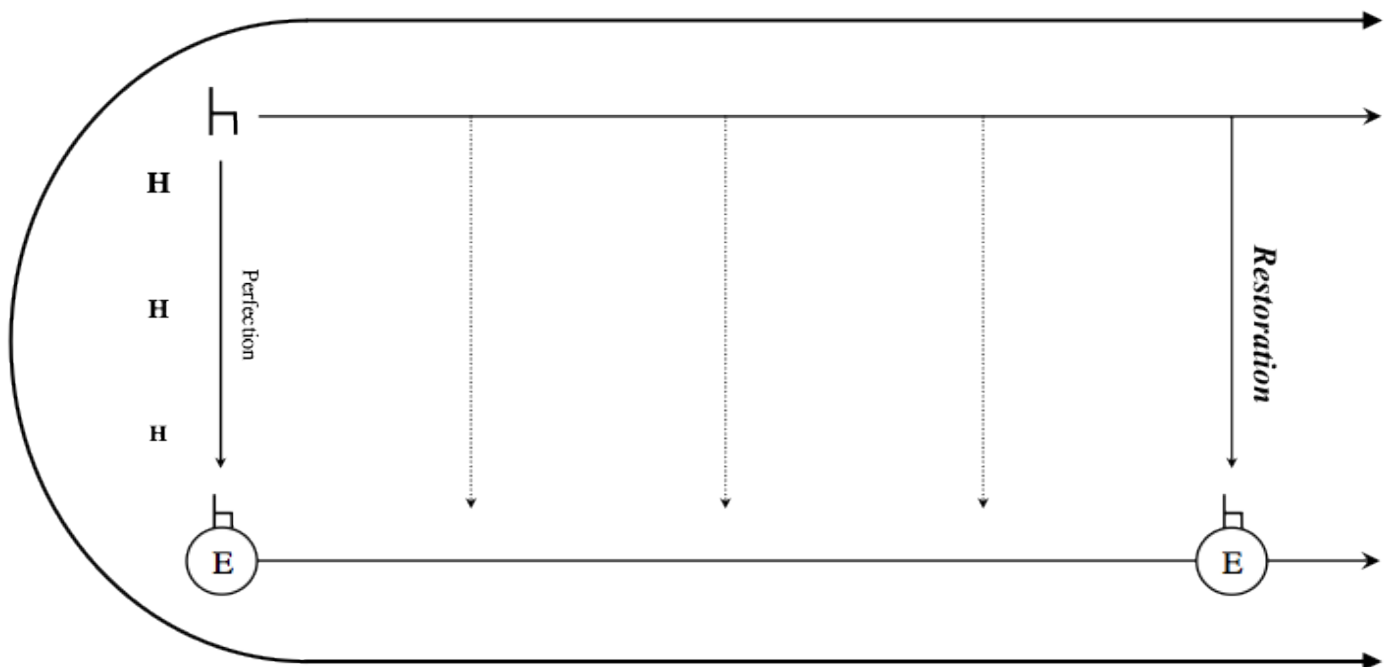


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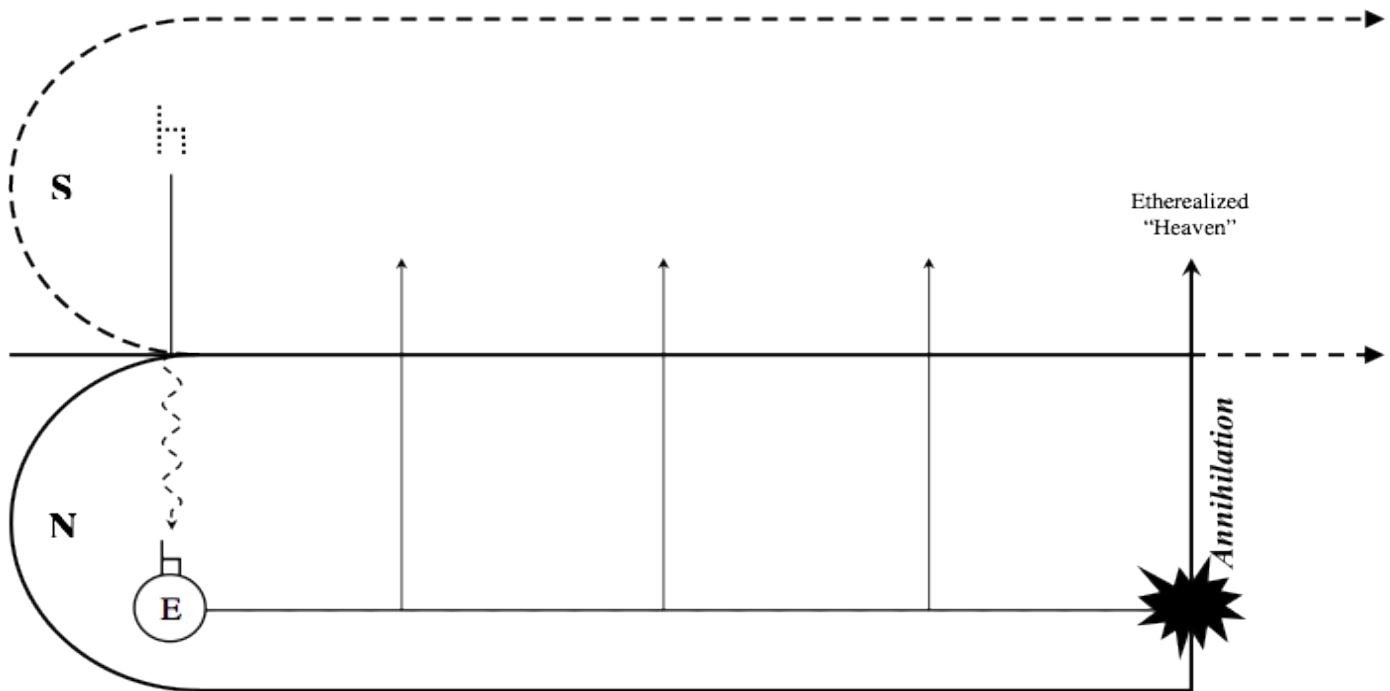


"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." (Genesis 1:1)

Messianic Salvation Diagram

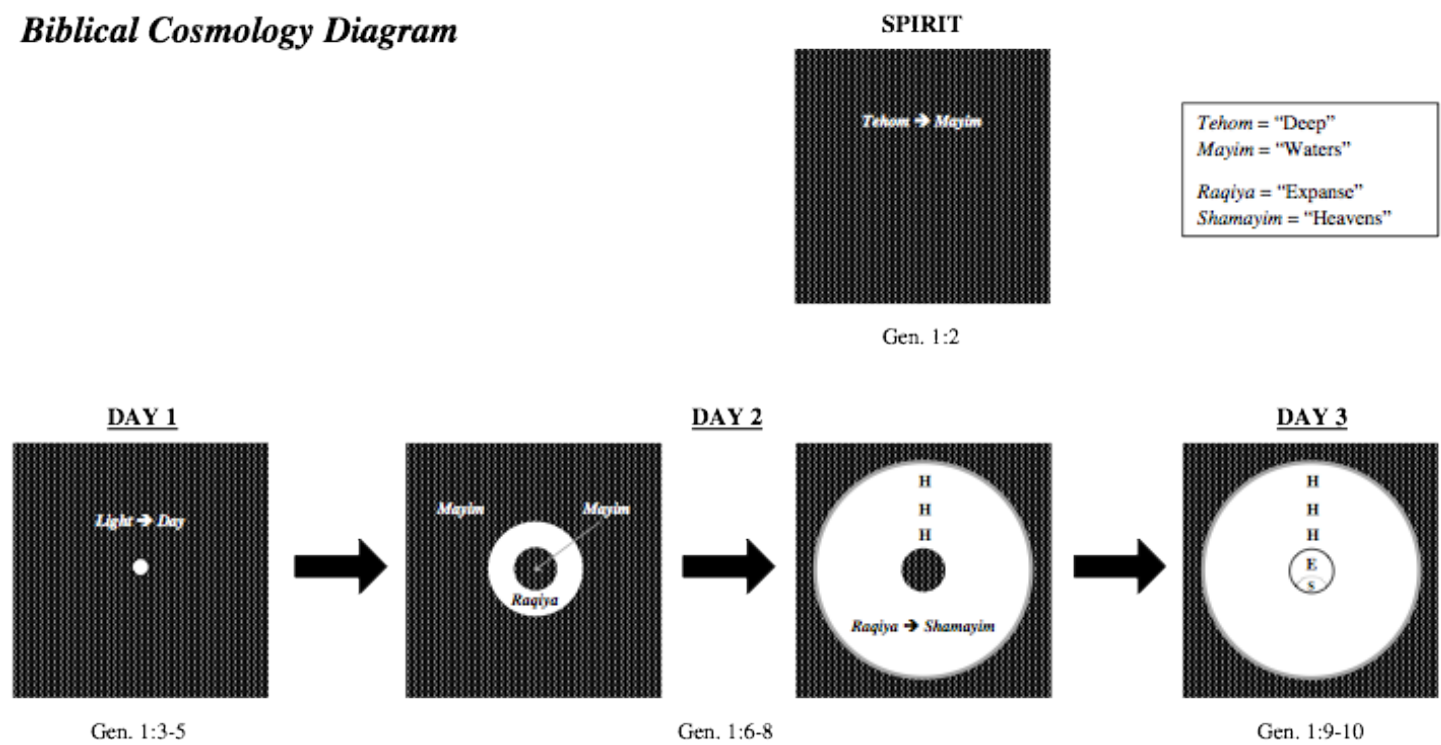


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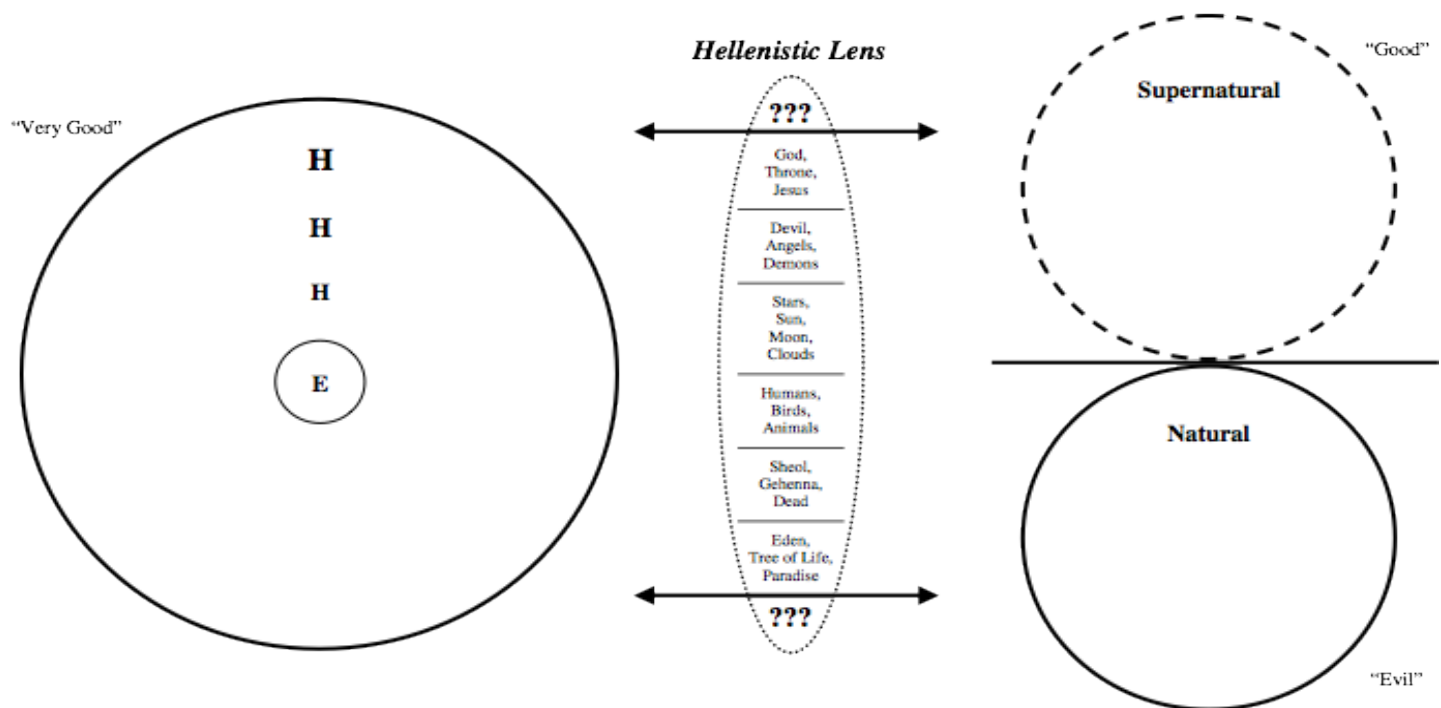


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Biblical Cosmology Diagram

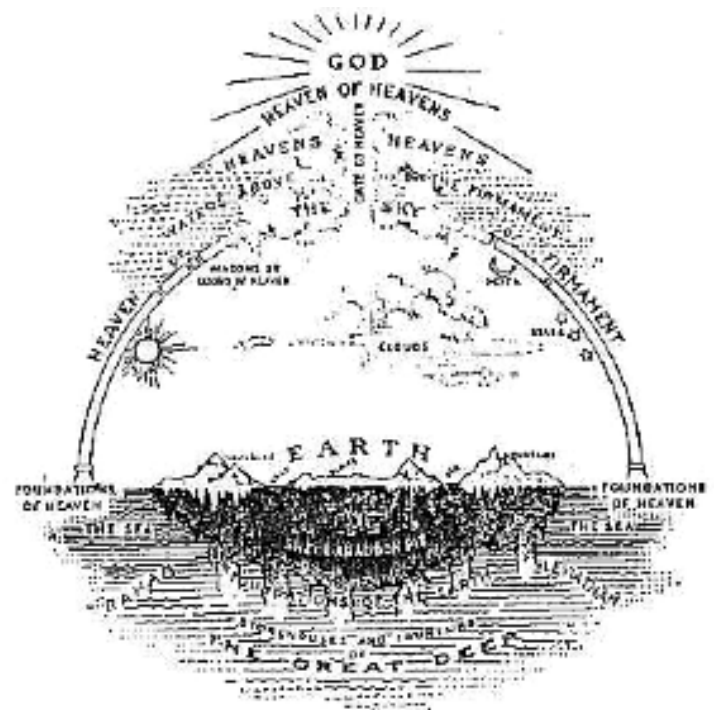
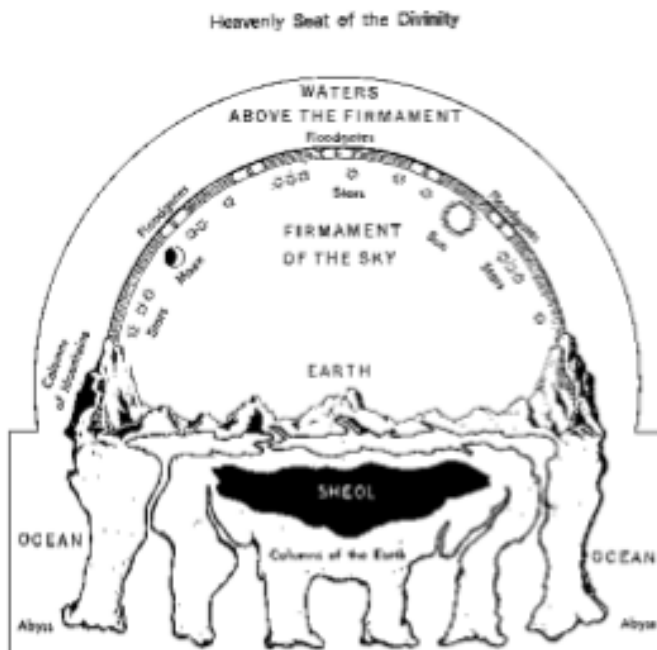


Biblical vs. Hellenistic Cosmology Diagram

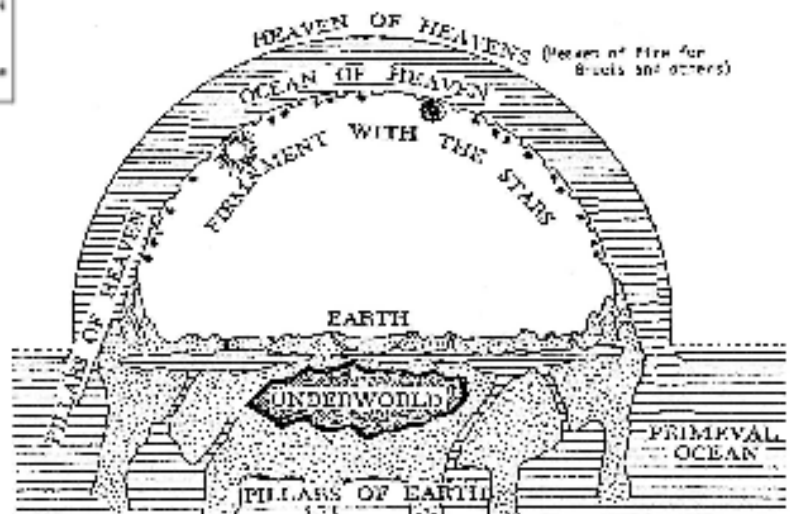


Historical Cosmology Diagrams

1. "The Ancient Hebrew Conception of the Universe"¹



2. "The Ancient View of the World"²



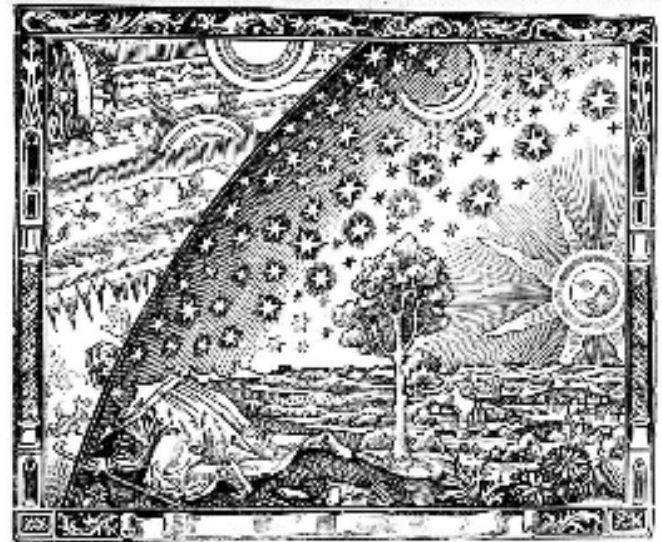
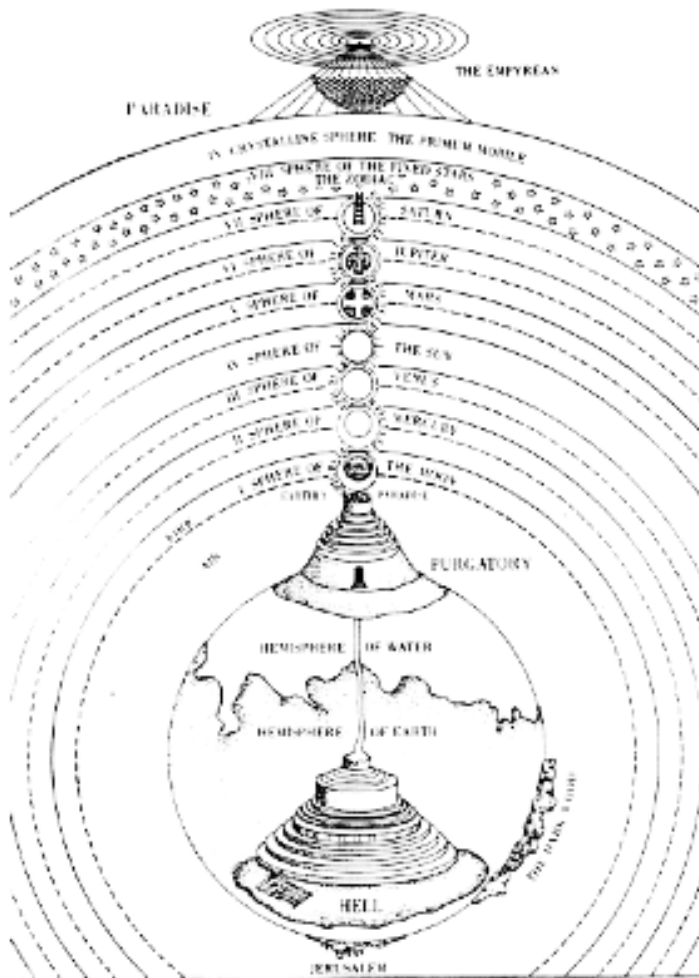
3. "The Three Story Universe"³

¹ "Figure 2: The Ancient Hebrew Conception of the Universe," in George L. Robinson, *Leaders of Israel* (New York: Association Press, 1913), 13.

² "This was the same prescientific concept of the universe as that held by the Hebrews' pagan neighbors." ["The Ancient View of the World," *New American Bible*, Saint Joseph Edition (1970).]

³ Nicholas F. Gier, *God, Reason, and the Evangelicals* (University Press of America, 1987), Chapter 13; archived at <http://www.class.uidaho.edu/ngier/gre13.htm>.

4. "The Flammarion Woodcut"⁴



5. "Dante's Scheme of the Universe"⁵

6. "Primum Mobile"⁶



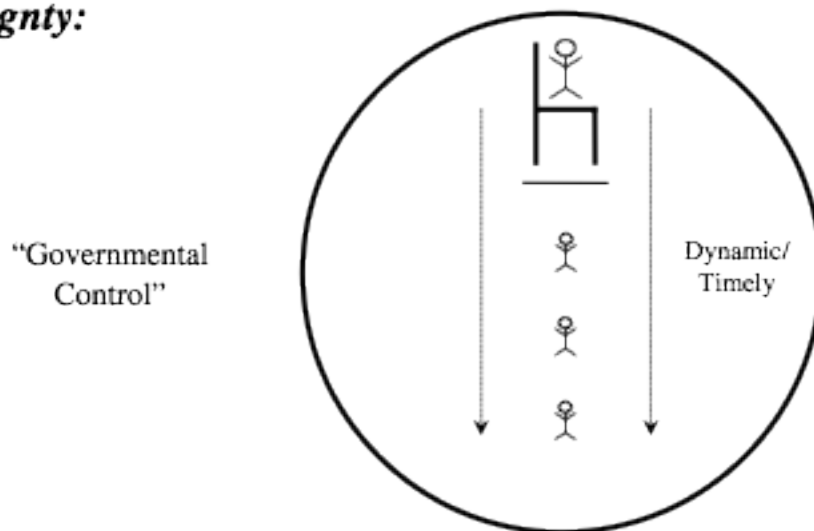
⁴ The Flammarion Woodcut is an enigmatic woodcut by an unknown artist. It is referred to as the Flammarion Woodcut because its first documented appearance is in page 163 of Camille Flammarion's *L'atmosphère: météorologie populaire* (Paris, 1888), a work on meteorology for a general audience. The woodcut depicts a man peering through the Earth's atmosphere as if it were a curtain to look at the inner workings of the universe. The original caption below the picture, (not included here), translated to: "A medieval missionary tells that he has found the point where heaven and Earth meet..."

⁵ *Studies in the History and Method of Science*, ed. by Charles Singer, 1917, Vol. I, Fig. 4; Slightly modified from Michelangelo Caetani, duca di Sermoneta, *La materia della Divina Commedia di Dante Alighieri dichiarata in VI tavole*, Monte Cassino, 1855.

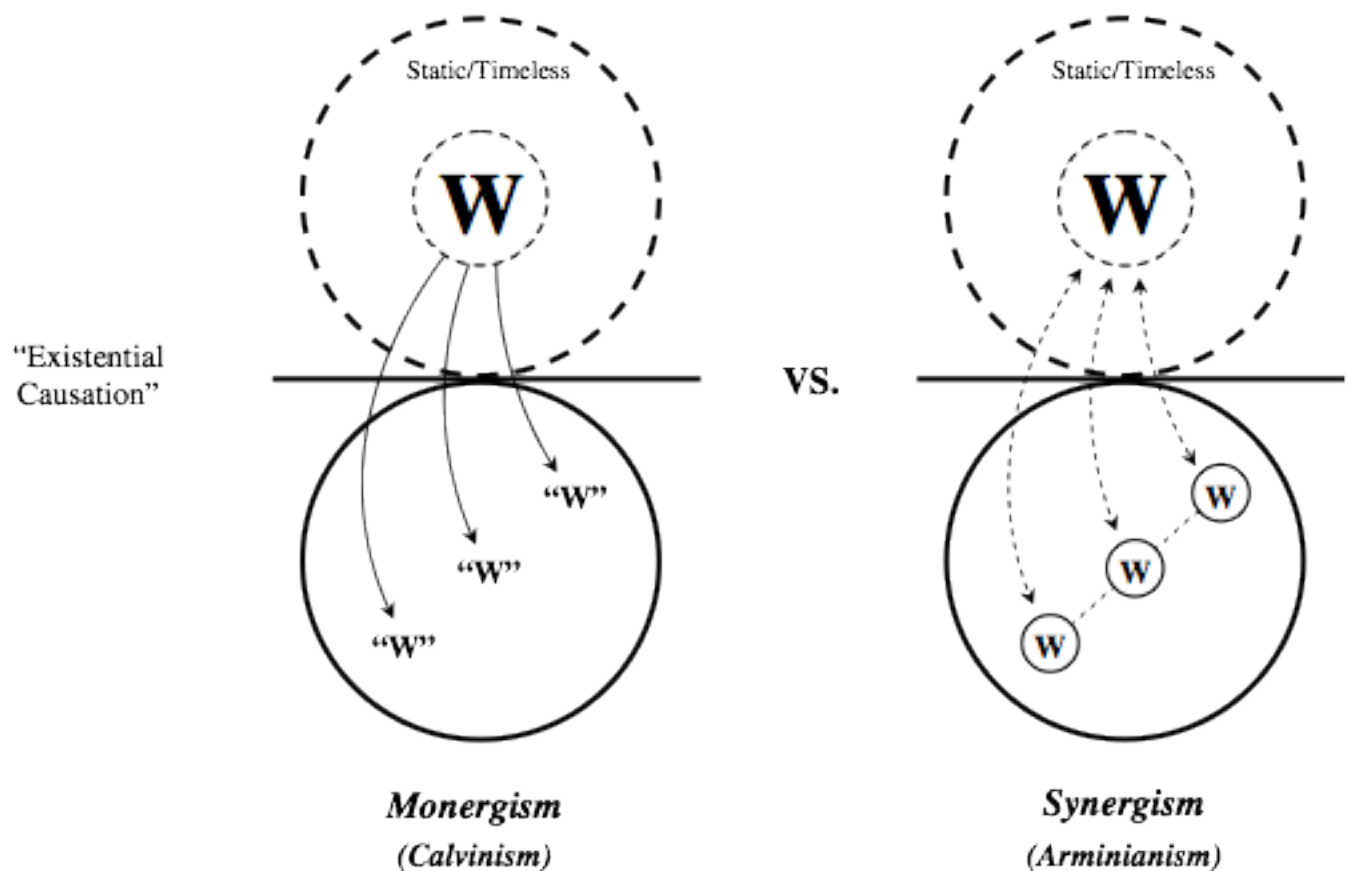
⁶ The *primum mobile* was thought of as the place where God, the First Mover, either directly through his intelligence or spirit or indirectly through his angels, applied the motive power that kept the cosmos turning; based on Peter Apian, *Cosmographicus Liber* (Antwerp, 1533), from Edward Grant, "Celestial Orbs in the Latin Middle Ages," *Isis* 78(2):152-173 (June 1987).

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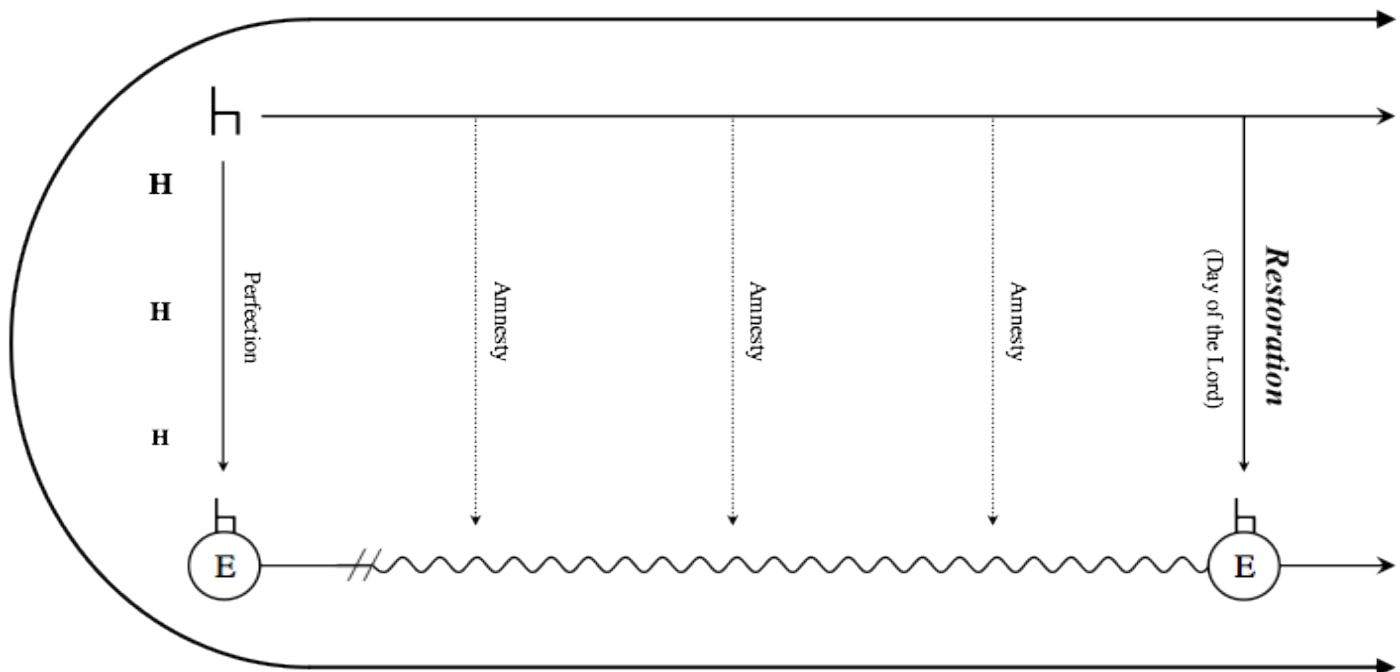
Messianic Sovereignty:



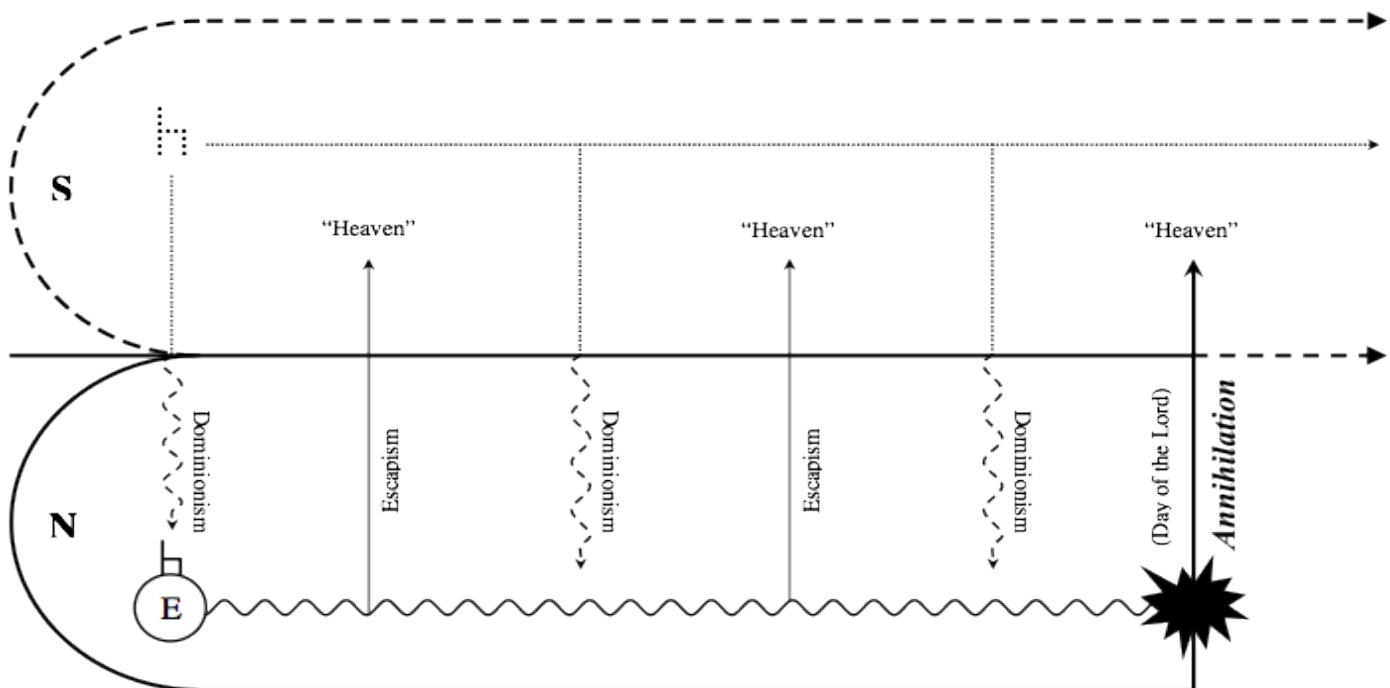
Christonaturalistic Providence:



Messianic Sovereignty Diagram



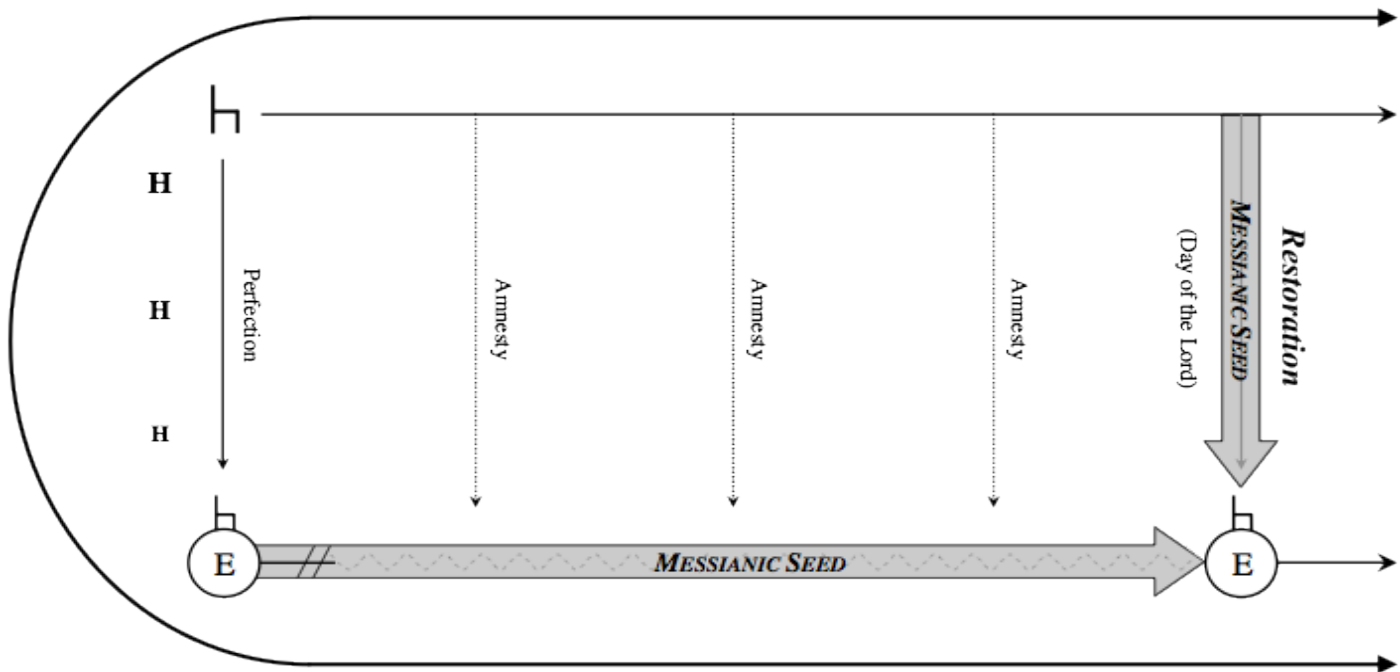
Christonaturalistic Sovereignty Diagram



	Cosmogeny	Soteriology	Eschatology
Historical Premillennialism	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Monism • <i>Government:</i> Full dominion, fully exercised → Full dom., partially ex. • <i>Death:</i> Nonexistent → introduced • <i>Salvation:</i> Execution of government and restoration of creation	Church OF Israel • <i>Metaphysic:</i> Monism • <i>Government:</i> Full dominion, partially exercised (Father > Messiah) • <i>Death:</i> Ultimate enemy ➢ <i>Missiology:</i> Israel = messianic witness/forerunner > Church = continued messianic remnant	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Monism • <i>Government:</i> Full dominion, partially exercised (Messiah) → full dominion, fully exercised (Father) • <i>Death:</i> Conquered > eradicated
Catholic/ Reconstructionist: (c.300)	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dom., fully man. (Nature) → Partial dom., partially man. • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent • <i>Salvation:</i> Metaphysical annihilation (corrupt natural laws)	Church ↑ Israel • <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dominion, partially manifest (Church) → Partial dom., fully man. (Theocracy) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent ➢ <i>Missiology:</i> Israel = typological dominionism > Church = fulfilled dominionism unto ascendance	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Annihilationism • <i>Government:</i> Full dominion, fully manifest (Godhead) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially immortalized
Optimillennialism ("Postmillennialism")	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dom., fully man. (Nature) → Partial dom., partially man. • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent • <i>Salvation:</i> Metaphysical annihilation (corrupt natural laws)	Church ↑ Israel • <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dominion, partially manifest (Spirit) → Partial dom., fully man. (Revival) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent ➢ <i>Missiology:</i> Israel = typological ascendance > Church = dominionism unto fulfilled ascendance	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Annihilationism • <i>Government:</i> Full dominion, fully manifest (Godhead) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially immortalized
Pietistic/ Revivalist: (c.1650)	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dom., fully man. (Nature) → Partial dom., partially man. • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent • <i>Salvation:</i> Metaphysical annihilation (corrupt natural laws)	Church ↑ Israel • <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dominion, partially manifest (individual believer) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent ➢ <i>Missiology:</i> Israel = typological ascendance > Church = fulfilled ascendance	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Annihilationism • <i>Government:</i> Full dominion, fully manifest (Godhead) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially immortalized
Pessimillennialism ("Amillennialism") (c.1800)	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dom., fully man. (Nature) → Partial dom., partially man. • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent • <i>Salvation:</i> Metaphysical annihilation (corrupt natural laws)	Church ↑ Israel • <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> 2X Dominions: S) full dom., partially man. (Church), N) Partial dom., partially man. (Israel) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent ➢ <i>Missiology:</i> Israel = natural dominionism vs. Church = supernatural ascendance	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism > Annihilationism • <i>Government:</i> 2X Dominions: 1) Full dom., fully man. (S), 2) Partial dom., fully man. (N) → 1X Dominion: Full dom., fully man. (Godhead) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially immortalized
Classical: (c.1850)	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dom., fully man. (Nature) → Partial dom., partially man. • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent • <i>Salvation:</i> Metaphysical annihilation (corrupt natural laws)	Church VS. Israel • <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> 2X Dominions: S) full dom., partially man. (Church), N) Partial dom., partially man. (Israel) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent ➢ <i>Missiology:</i> Israel = natural dominionism vs. Church = supernatural ascendance	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism > Annihilationism • <i>Government:</i> 2X Dominions: 1) Full dom., fully man. (S), 2) Partial dom., fully man. (N) → 1X Dominion: Full dom., fully man. (Godhead) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially immortalized
Dispensational Premillennialism	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Semi-monism → Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Full dom. (N = S), partially man. → Partial dom. (N vs. S), partially man. • <i>Death:</i> Nonexistent → exist. infection • <i>Salvation:</i> Metaphysical convergence	Church AND Israel • <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dominion, partially manifest (Israel) → Partial dom., partially man. (Church) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent ➢ <i>Missiology:</i> Israel = firstfruits dominionism > Church = cont. dom. unto fulfilled divine dominion	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism → Semi-monism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dominion, fully manifest (Messiah) → Full dominion, fully manifest (Godhead) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially transformed/ recreated
Progressive: (c.1980)	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Semi-monism → Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Full dom. (N = S), partially man. → Partial dom. (N vs. S), partially man. • <i>Death:</i> Nonexistent → exist. infection • <i>Salvation:</i> Metaphysical convergence	Church AND Israel • <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dominion, partially manifest (Israel) → Partial dom., partially man. (Church) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially inherent ➢ <i>Missiology:</i> Israel = firstfruits dominionism > Church = cont. dom. unto fulfilled divine dominion	• <i>Metaphysic:</i> Dualism → Semi-monism • <i>Government:</i> Partial dominion, fully manifest (Messiah) → Full dominion, fully manifest (Godhead) • <i>Death:</i> Existentially transformed/ recreated

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Messianic Centrality Diagram



**THE SUZERAIN/VASSAL TREATY FORMAT
of the LATE SECOND MILLENNIUM**

- I. **Preamble/Title**
introduces the superior party
Exod 20:2a/Deut 5:6a
"I am Yahweh your God ..."
- II. **Historical Prologue**
furnishes the basis of obligation
and the motive for accepting the
covenant's stipulations as binding
Exod 20.2b/Deut 1-3, 5:6b
"... who brought you up out of the land
of Egypt, out of the house of slavery."
- III. **Stipulations/obligations imposed**
Exod 20:3-17/Deut 5:7-21; chptrs 12-26
"... you shall have no other gods before me ..."
- IV. **Deposition and/or reading of the document**
provision for the deposit of the treaty text in the temple of the gods used as witnesses
Exod 25.21;40:20/Deut 10:5

"Then Moses turned and went down from the mountain with the **two tablets** of the testimony in his hand, tablets which were written on both sides; they were written on one side and the other. And the tablets were God's work, and the writing was God's writing engraved on the tablets" (Exod 32:15,16)

provision for the periodic reading of the treaty to the people
Exod 24:7/Deut 27:2-8; 31:11,12/Josh 8:30-35

"...when all Israel comes to appear before Yahweh your God at the place which He will choose, you shall read this law in front of all Israel in their hearing. Assemble the people, the men and the women and children and the alien who is in your town, in order that they may hear and learn and fear Yahweh your God, and be careful to observe all the words of this law" (Deut 31:11,12)

- V. **List of Witnesses**
Deut 4:26; 30:19-20; 31:28/I Sam. 1:2,3
"... I call heaven and earth to witness against you today"
- VI. **Curses & Blessings**
Deut chptrs 27-28 (specifically, 28:1-6,15-19)

The act of treaty-making is sealed by means of an **Oath** accompanied by a **Ratification Ceremony (sacrifice)** whereby the Vassal (and in biblical texts, the Suzerain) pledges his obedience to treaty
Exod 24:3-8/Genesis 15/Josh 24:24/Matt 27:22-25

"Then Moses recounted to the people all the words of Yahweh and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice, and said, 'All the words which Yahweh has spoken we will do!' ...
Moses then took the blood, sprinkled it on the people and said, 'This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.'" (Exod 24:3,8)

Dennis J. McCarthy, *Treaty & Covenant: A Study in Form in the Ancient Oriental Documents and in the OT* (Rome: Pontifical Institute, 1963), 3, 28-29; Meredith Kline, *The Treaty of the Great King* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1963); Moshe Weinfeld, *עֲרֵב תְּדוּת* 2: 253-79; G. E. Mendenhall, "Covenant Forms in Israelite Tradition" *BA* 17 (1954): 50-76. The format may be found in K. Kitchen's article, "The Patriarchal Age: Myth or History?" *BAR* 21/2 (1995):48-57, 88 and Jon Levenson, *Sinai & Zion: An Entry into the Jewish Bible* (San Francisco: HarperSanFrancisco, 1985), 26-36.

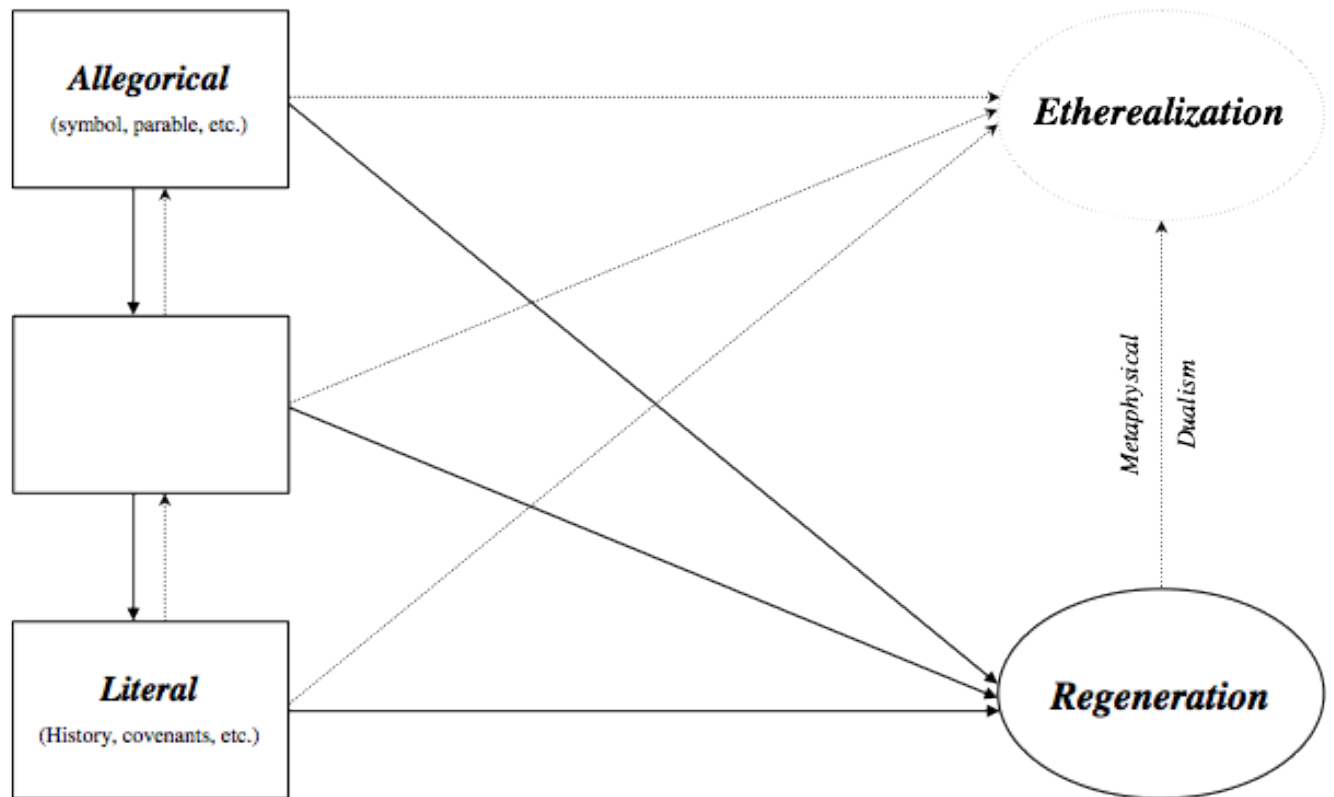
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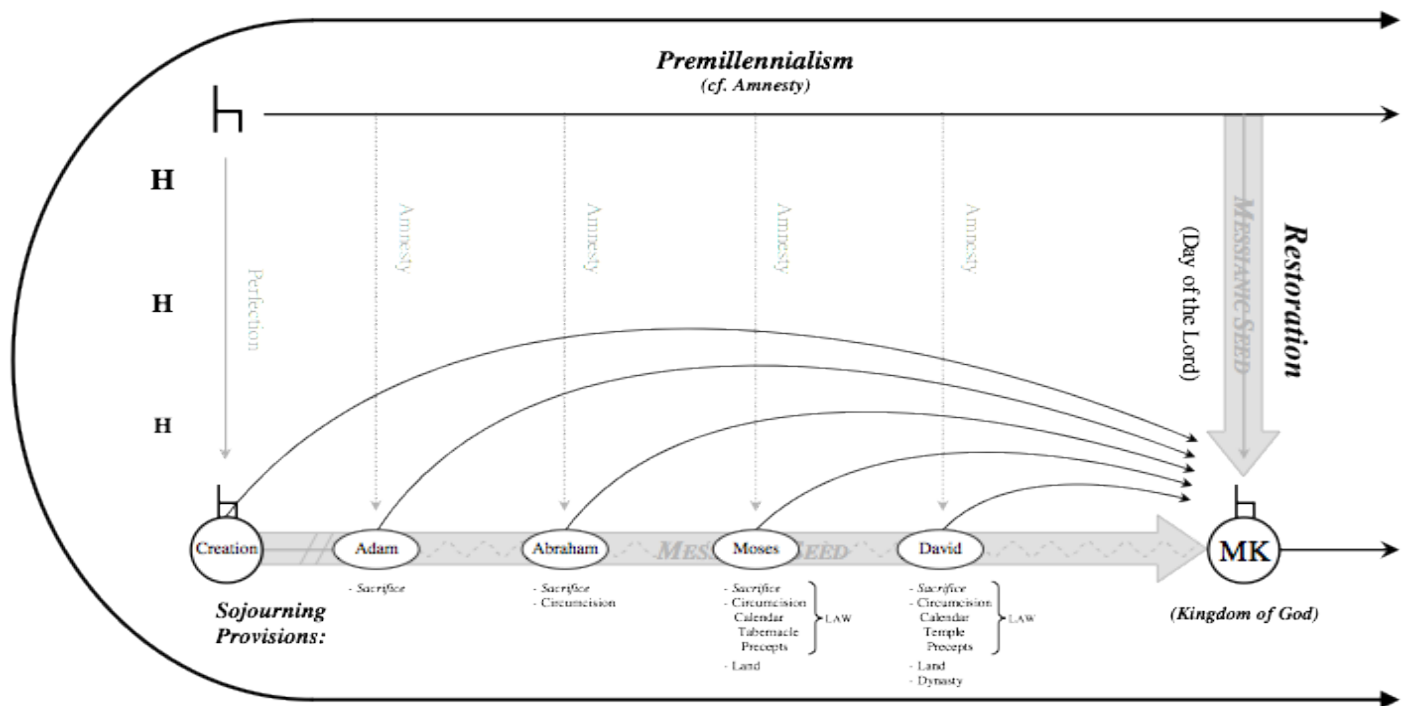
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Hermeneutical Flow Chart

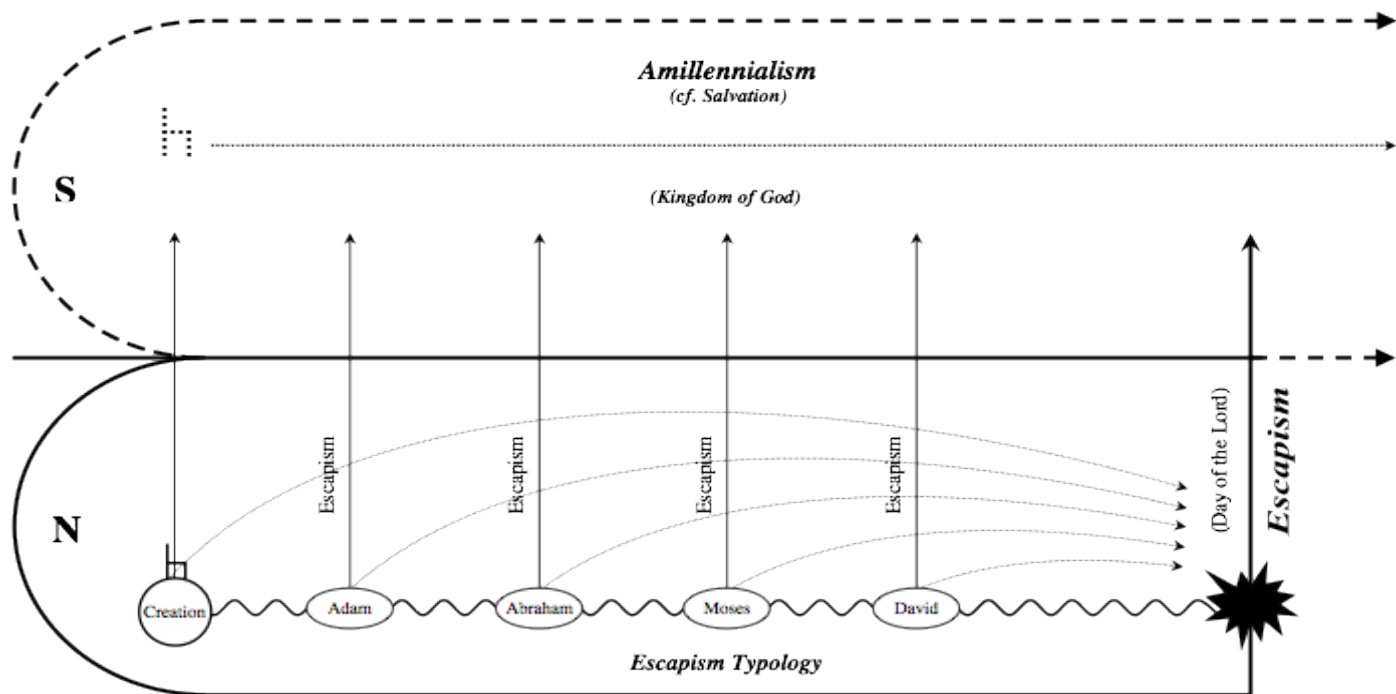


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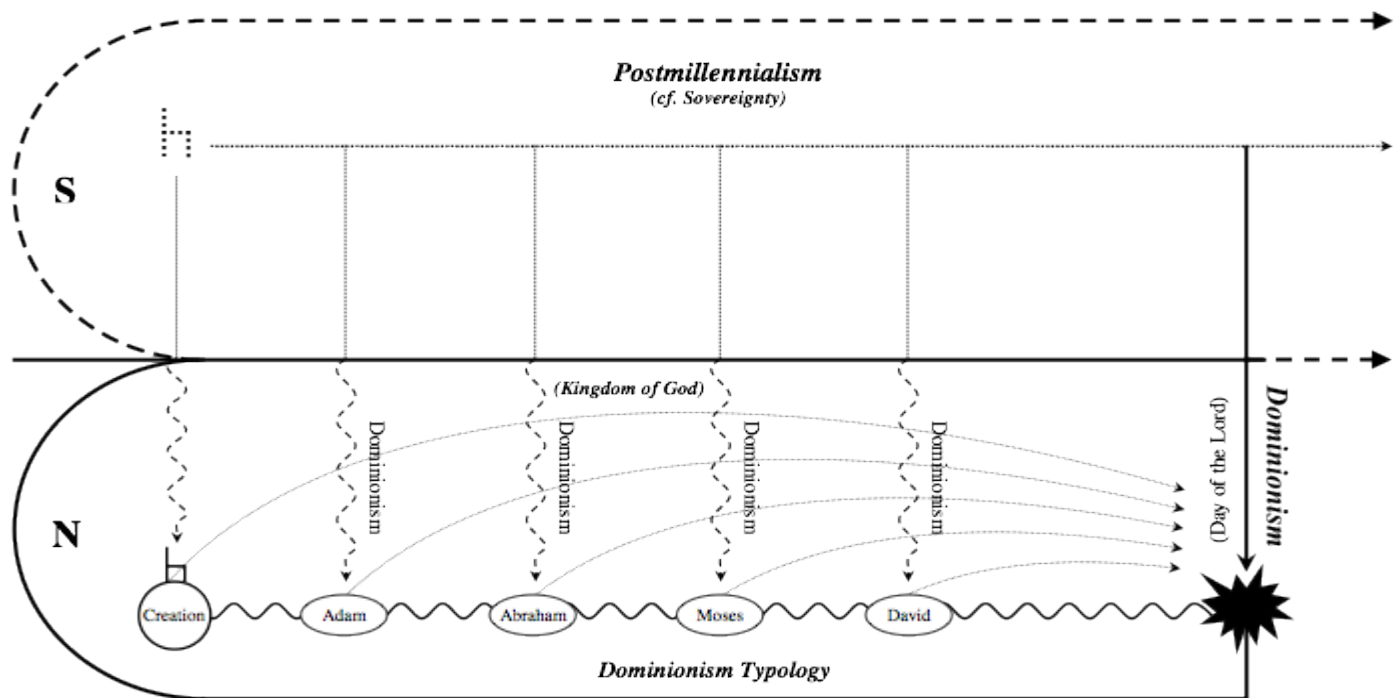
Messianic Covenants Diagram



Christonaturalistic Covenants Diagram

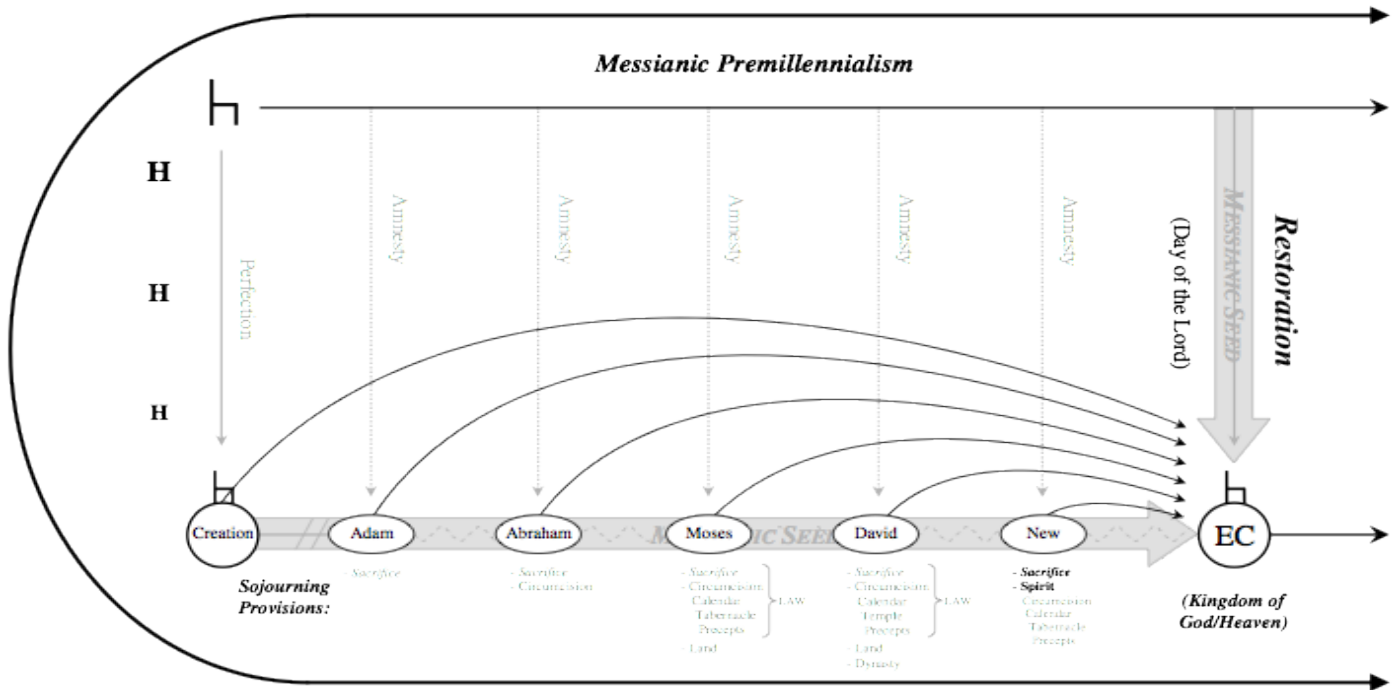


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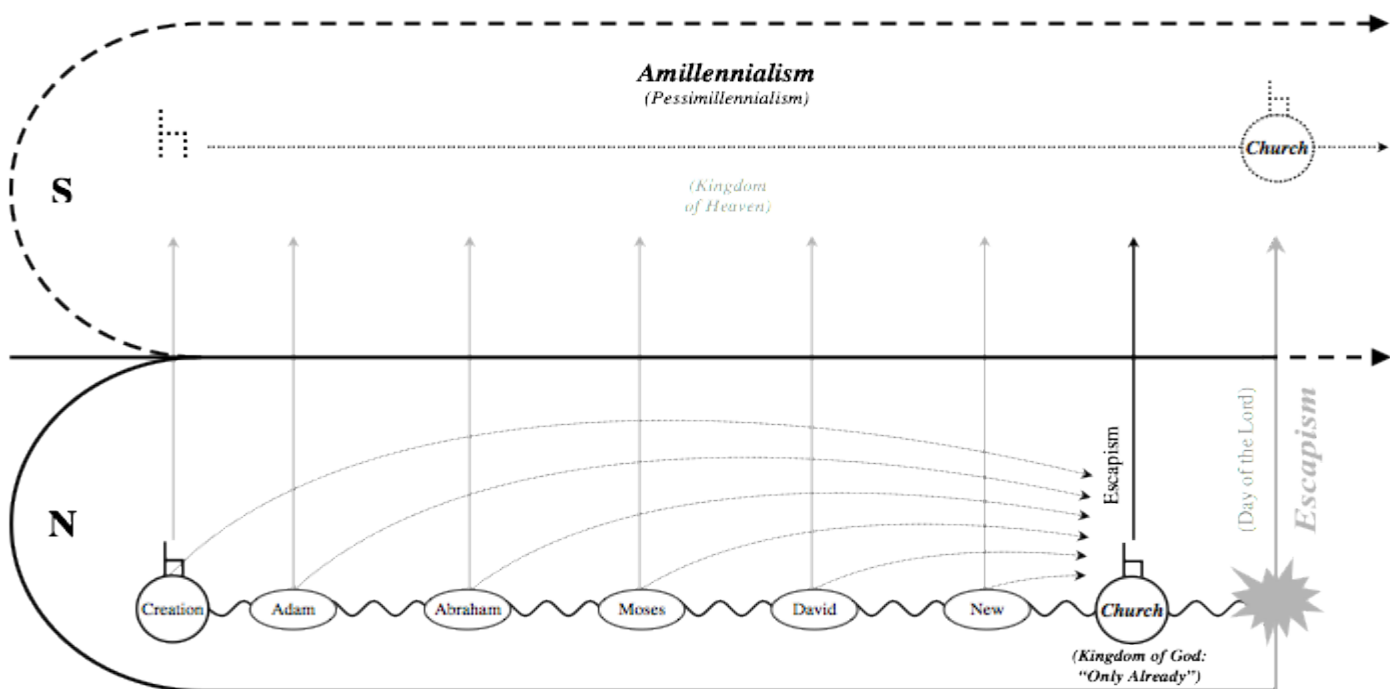


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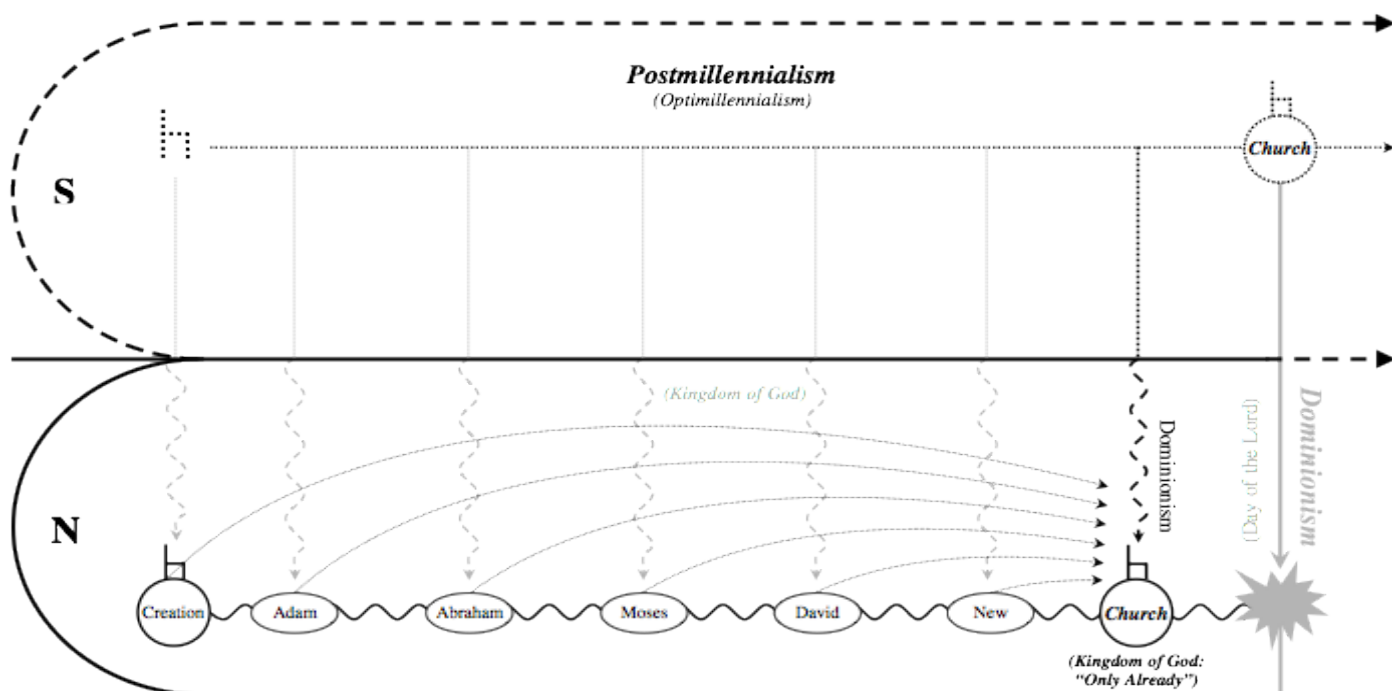
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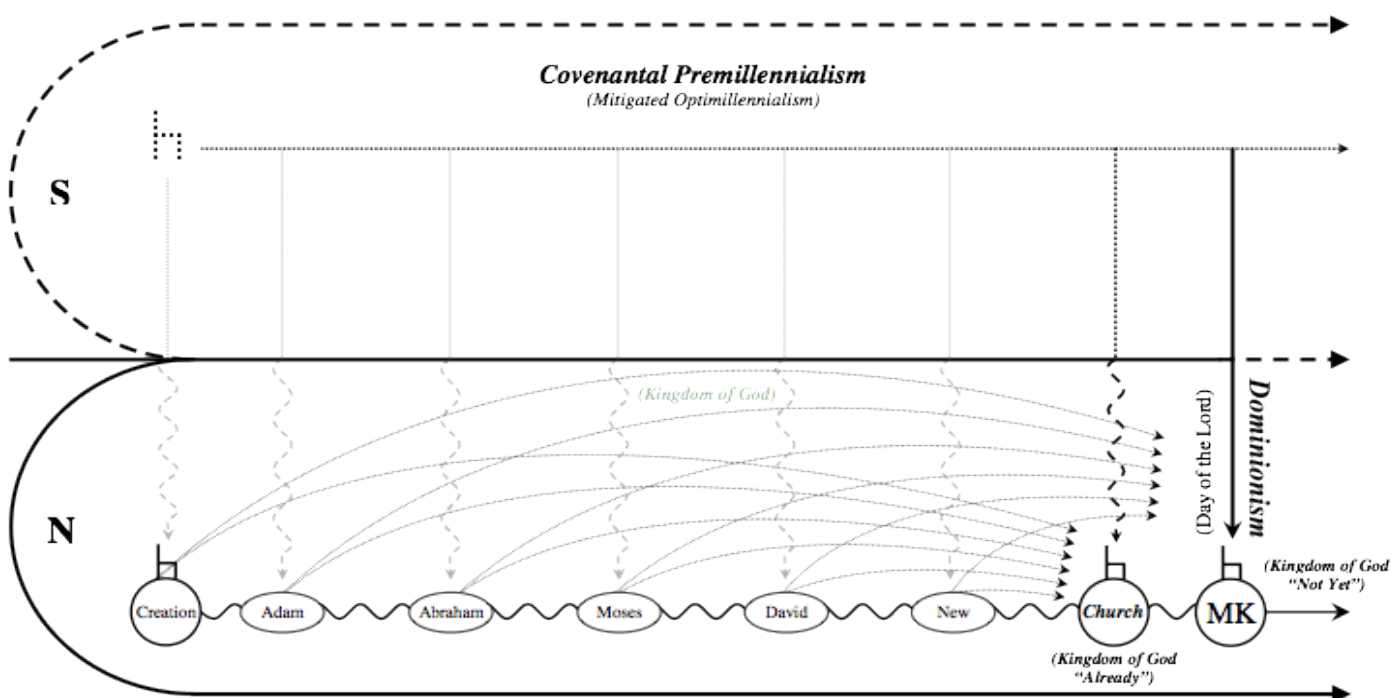
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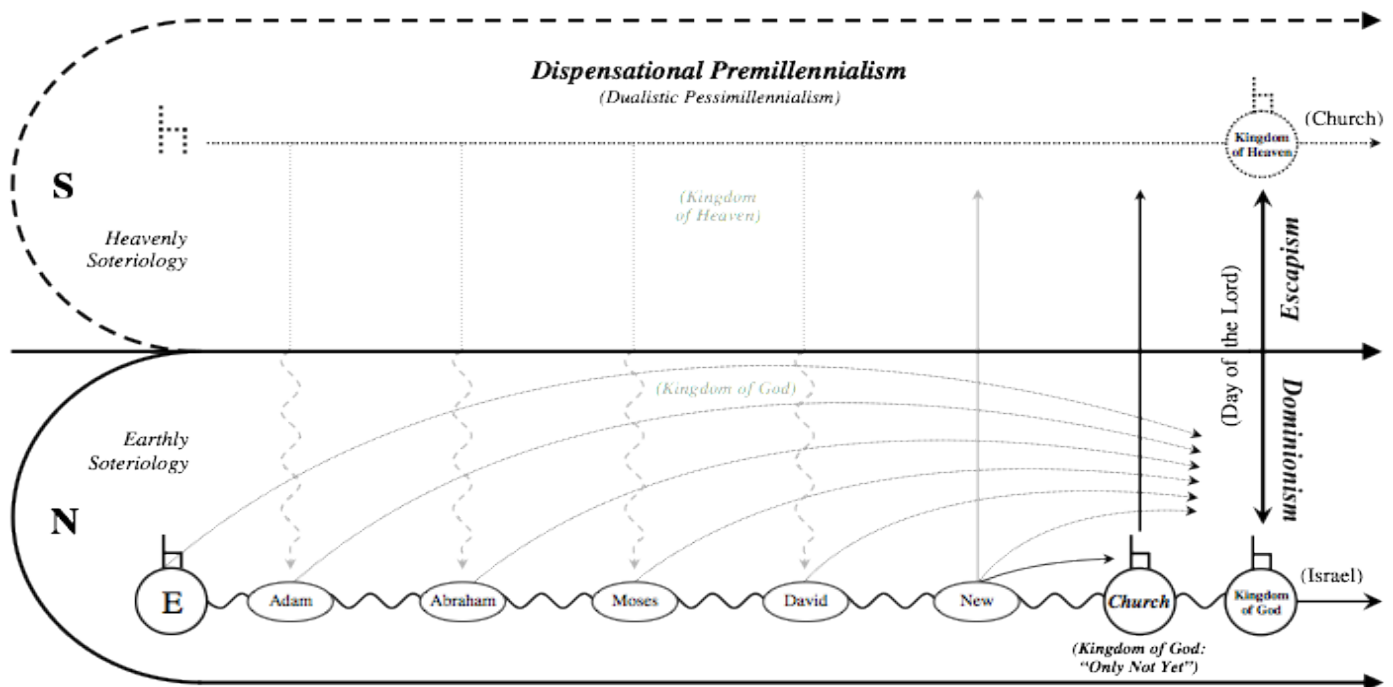
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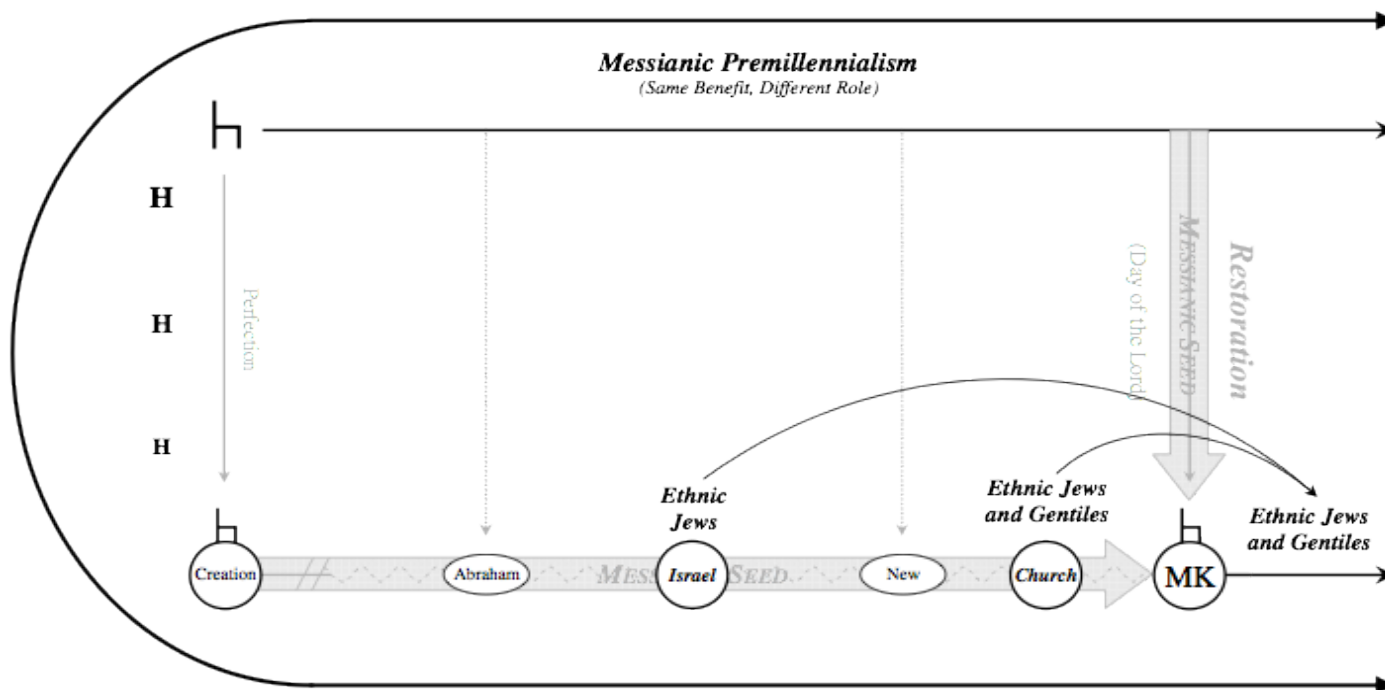


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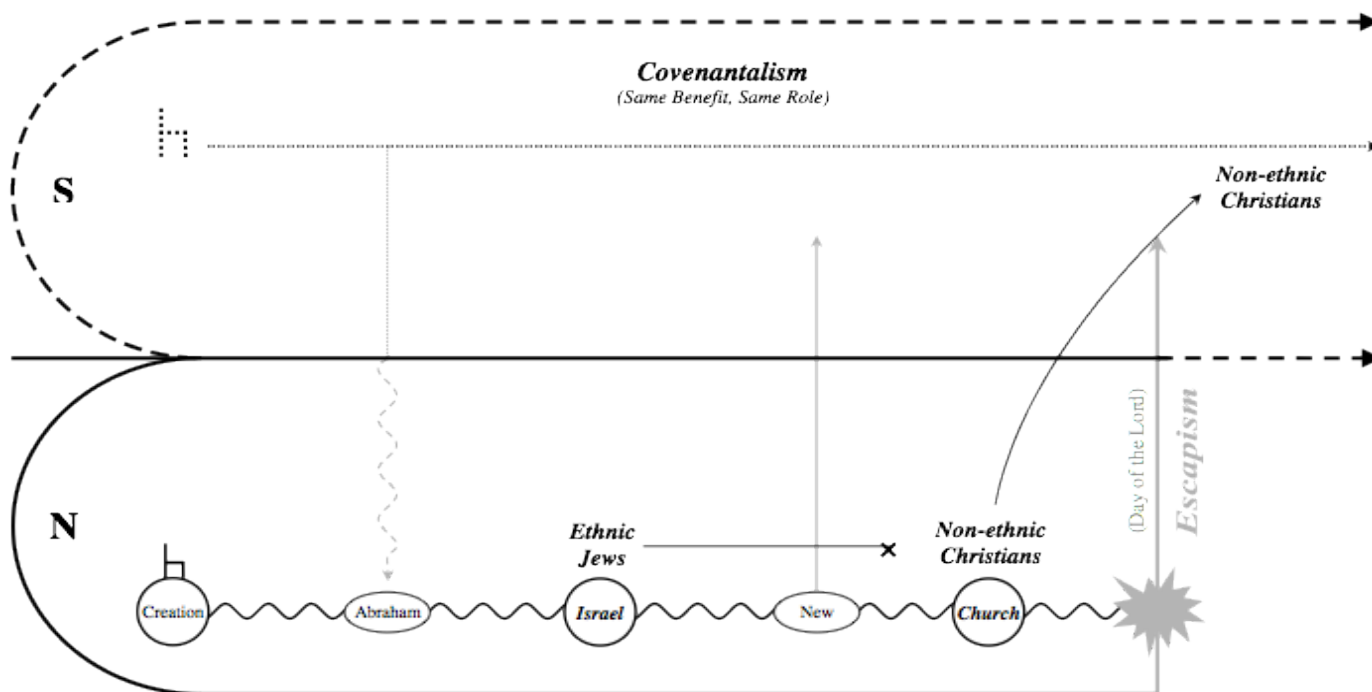


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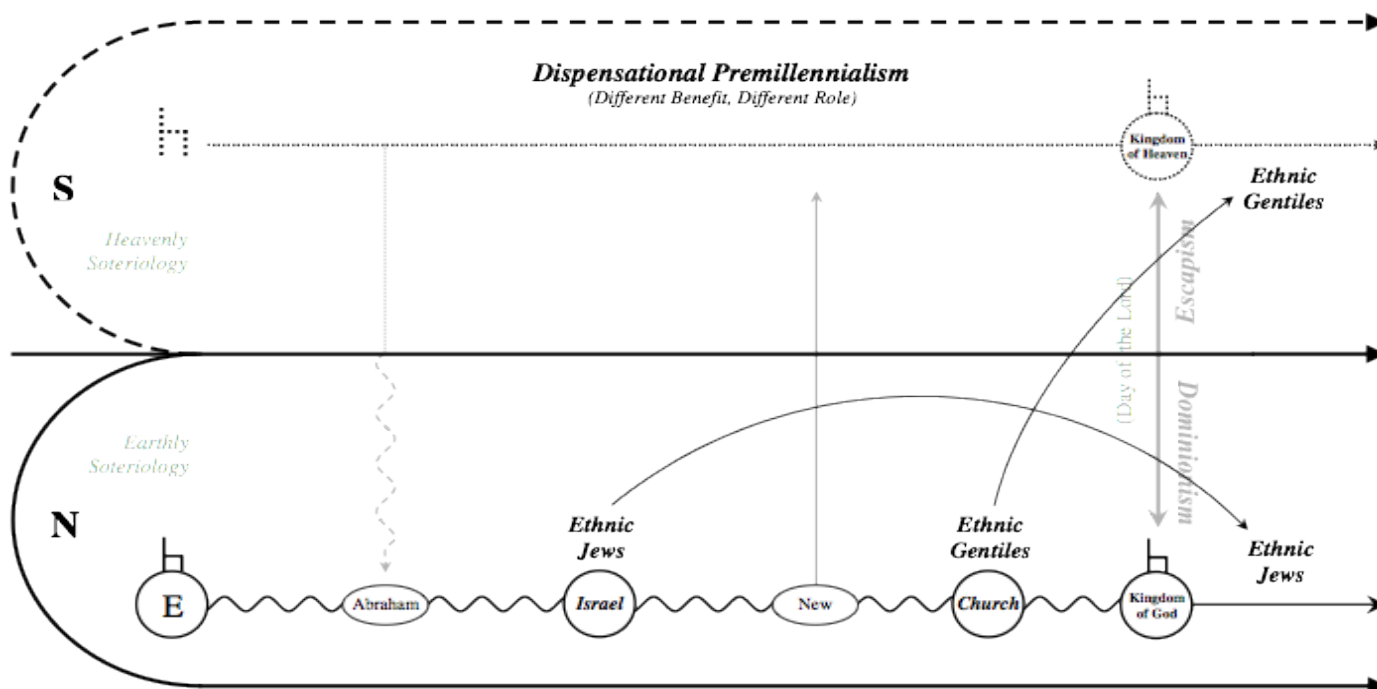
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