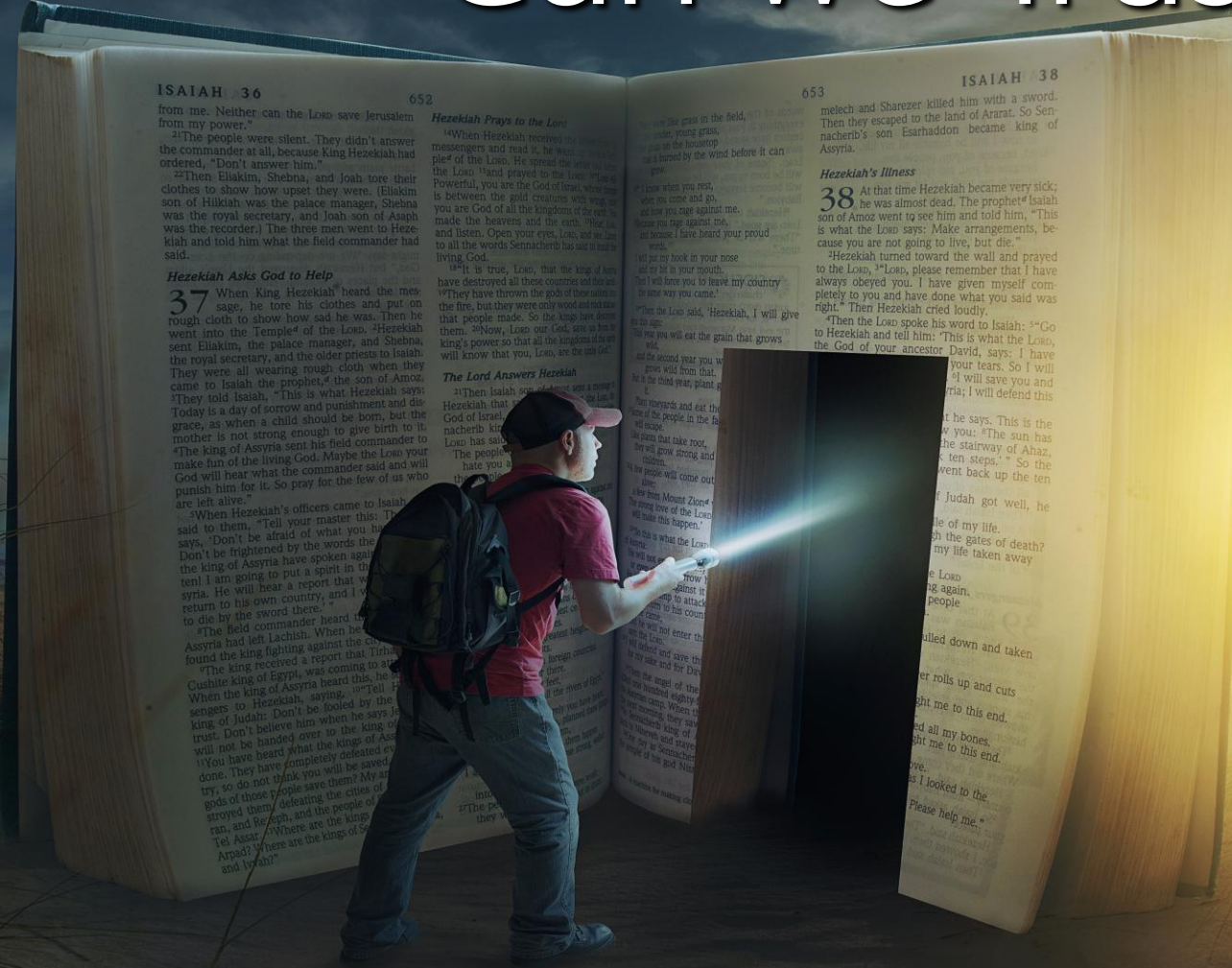


Can we Trust the Bible?



Lesson Four Conclusion

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O' Holy Distractions Part 2: Jeremiah's Christmas Warning About Adorned Trees and Forgotten Truth

Lesson 0	Introduction	The Miracle of the Bible
Lesson 1	Old Testament	Aleph – Tav 7,300 instances, Manuscripts, Prophecy, 430 Silent Years, In the Beginning...
Lesson 2	Dr. Todd Pickle	History of writing, language, OT nations & Hebrew scriptures and a little bit of the canon
Lesson 3	New Testament	Historic Jesus of Matt, Mark, Luke, & John
Lesson 4	Dr. Todd Pickle	Roman era, contemporary languages, writing materials & methods such as papyrus and then a quick view of how our modern English Bible came to be, also including some comments on the canon
Lesson 5	Conclusion	What do you Believe?

OT Framework – Genesis Days

- Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth... (Across 7 Days)
- Old Testament
 - Day 1: 1,000 Years - Adam to Enoch
 - Day 2: 1,000 Years - Enoch to Noah
 - Day 3: 1,000 Years - Hebrew / Patriarchs
 - Day 4: 1,000 Years - Kingdom of Israel
- New Testament
 - Days 5 & 6: 2,000 years - Church + Final Week
 - Day 7: 1,000 years – Christ's Millennium

With the Lord a day is like a thousand years and thousand years are like a Day.

2 Peter 3:8

Old Testament

Torah - 5

Genesis
Exodus
Leviticus
Numbers
Deuteronomy

Historical - 12

Joshua
Judges
Ruth
1 Samuel
2 Samuel
1 Kings
2 Kings
1 Chronicles
2 Chronicles
Ezra
Nehemiah
Esther

Poetical Books - 5

Job
Psalms
Proverbs
Ecclesiastes
Song of Songs

Major Prophets - 5

Isaiah
Jeremiah
Lamentations
Ezekiel
Daniel

Minor Prophets - 12

Hosea
Joel
Amos
Obadiah
Jonah
Micah
Nahum
Habakkuk
Zephaniah
Haggai
Zechariah
Malachi

The Southern Kingdom

2nd Kings & 2 Chronicles

Jehoram	8
Ahaziah	1
Athaliah	6
Joash	40
Amaziah	29
Azariah (Uzziah)	52

Joel

Jotham	16
Ahaz	16
Hezekiah	29
Manasseh	55
Amon	2
Josiah	31
Jehoahaz	(3 mos)
Jehoiakim	11
Jehoiakin	(3 mos)
Zedekiah	11

Isaiah
Micah

Zephaniah

Jeremiah
Habakkuk
Obadiah

Babylonian Captivity

Daniel
Ezekiel

Ezra	Zerubabel	Haggai Zechariah
Nehemiah		Malachi
Esther		

(400 "Silent Years" . . .)

The Northern Kingdom

2nd Kings

Jehoram	12	Elisha
Jehu	28	
Jehoahaz	17	
Jehoash	16	
Jeroboam II	41	Hosea
Zechariah	½	Amos
Shallum	(1 mo)	
Menahem	10	
Pekahiah	2	
Pekah	20	
Hoshea	9	

Assyrian Captivity

Assyria falls to Babylon

Major Prophets

Isaiah
Jeremiah
Ezekiel
Daniel

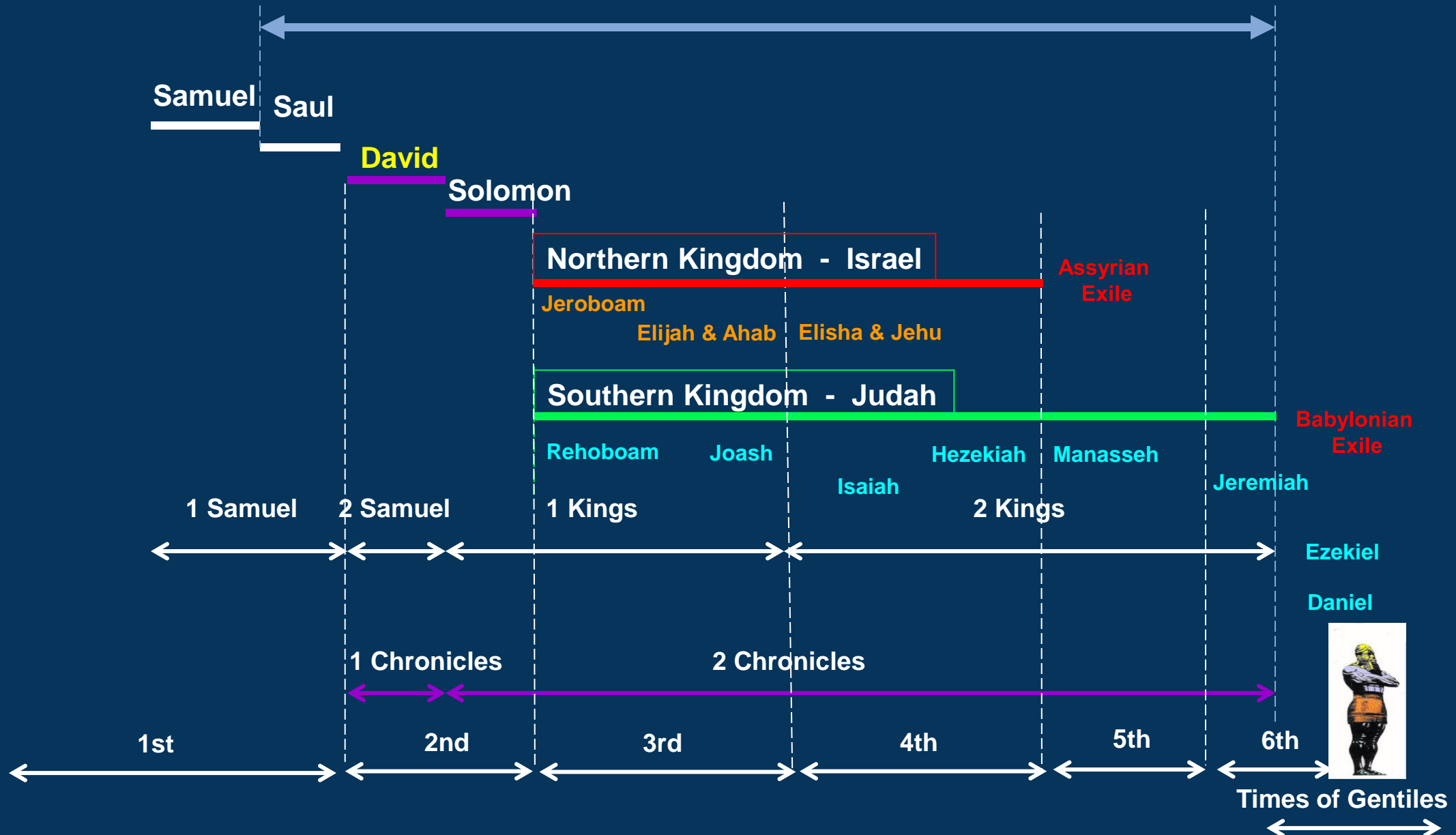
Post-Exile



The Scarlet Thread

- The “Seed of the Woman” Genesis 3:15
 - The Race
- Abraham Genesis 22:18
 - The Nation
- Jacob Genesis 49:10
 - The Tribe
- David 2 Samuel 7:11-16
 - The Family

Kingdom of Israel from Judges to Babylonian Captivity



Time of the Gentiles - Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

Daniel 2

KEY: From head to toe on Neb's statue transition from one to the next involved wars, conflict and struggles across the

'Time of the Gentiles'

Gold

Babylon

Silver

Persia

Brass

Greece

1st Coming of
Messiah

Iron

Antichrists and

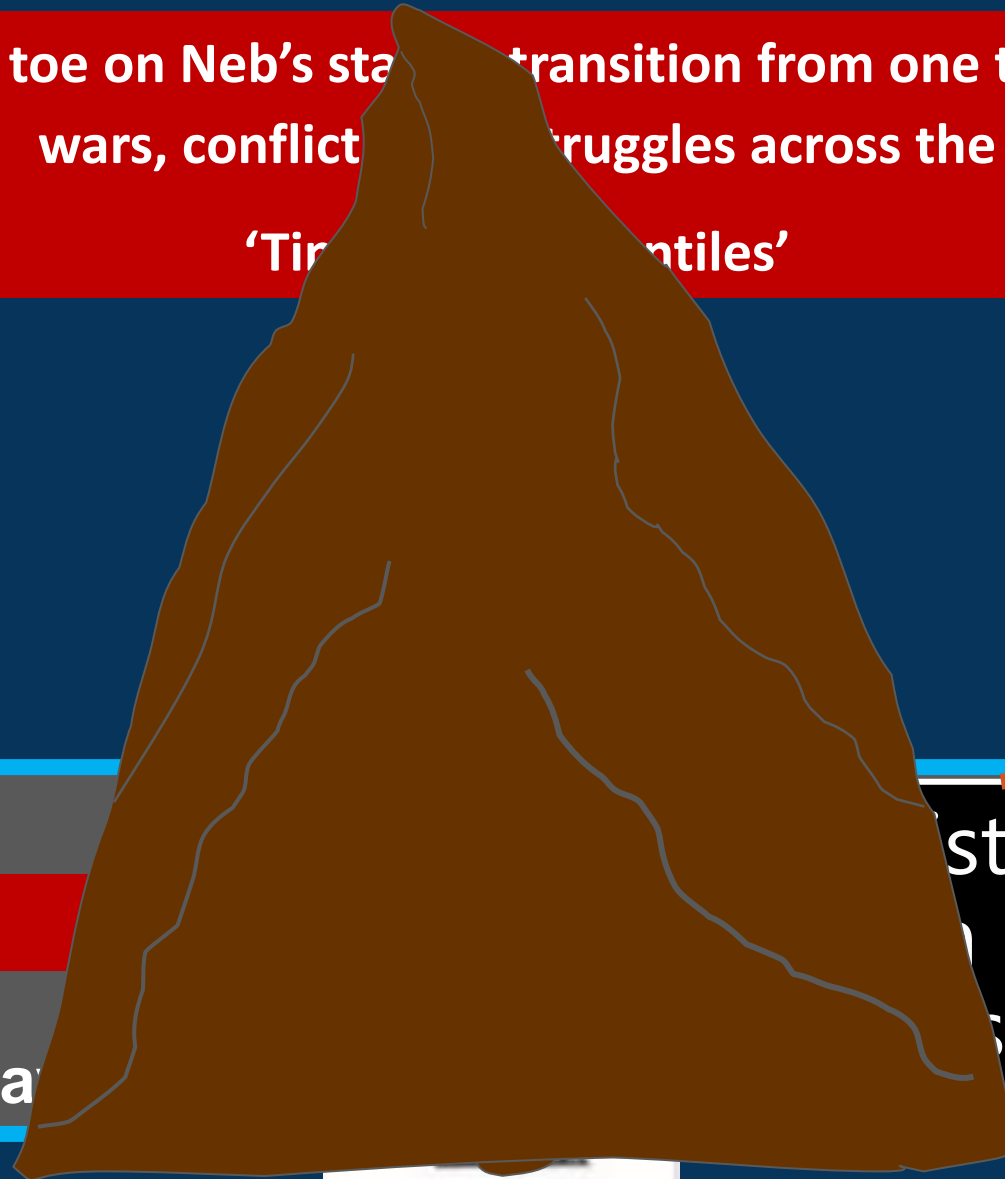
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Platonism**

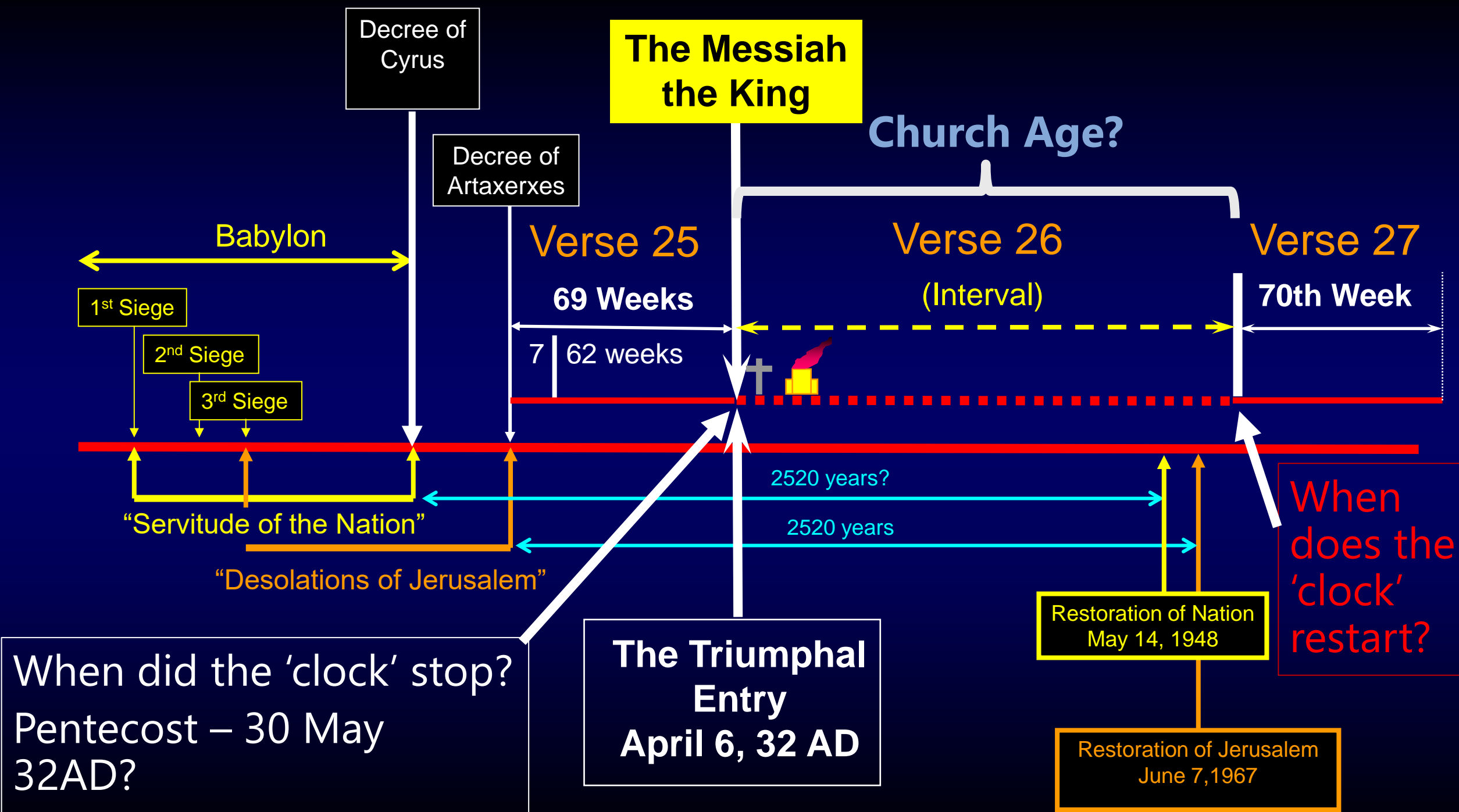
2nd Coming
of Messiah

Iron + Clay

Antichrists

**Paganism
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Old Testament Summary

- Old Testament leaves open:
 - Unexplained ceremonies (sacrificial rituals)
 - Unachieved purposes (covenants)
 - Unappeased longings (poetical books)
 - Unfulfilled prophecies (incomplete...)

“Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.”

John 5:39

The Design of the Gospels

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Presents as:	Messiah	Servant	Son of Man	Son of God
Genealogy:	Abraham (Legal)	--	Adam (Blood line)	Eternal (Preexistence)
What Jesus	Said	Did	Felt	Was
To the:	Jew	Roman	Greek	Church
1st Miracle:	Leper cleansed (Jew = sin)	Demon expelled	Demon expelled	Water to Wine
Ends with	Resurrection	Ascension	Promise of Spirit: Acts	Promise of Return: Revelation
Camp Side:	East	West	South	North
Ensign:	Judah	Ephraim	Reuben	Dan
Face:	Lion	Ox	Man	Eagle
Style:	Groupings	Snapshots	Narrative	Mystical

New Testament

Historical Books - 5

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Paul's Epistles - 13

Romans

1, 2 Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

1, 2 Thessalonians

1, 2 Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrew Epistles - 8

Hebrews

James

1, 2 Peter

1, 2, 3, John

Jude

Prophetic - 1

Revelation

Acts (of the Holy Spirit)

- Ascension 1
- Pentecost – Birth of the Church 2
- Outrage against Stephen 7
- Philip & Ethiopian Treasurer 8
- Call of Paul 9
- Peter's Vision at Cornelius' 10
- Mission to Gentiles 11-14
- Council at Jerusalem 15

Acts (Continued)

- 1st Missionary Journey 13, 14
- 2nd Missionary Journey 15
 - Athens, Mars Hill 17
- 3rd Missionary Journey 18
- Outcry against Paul 22
 - Before Sanhedrin 23
 - Before Governor Felix 24
 - Before Governor Festus 25
 - Before King Agrippa 26
- Paul goes to Rome 27-28

Pauline Epistles

Romans	Definitive Doctrines
1, 2 Corinthians	Order in the Church
Galatians	Law vs. Grace
Ephesians	The Mystery of the Church
Philippians	Resources in Suffering
Colossians	Christ Pre-eminent
1, 2 Thessalonians	The Second Coming
1, 2 Timothy	Pastoral Advice
Titus	Pastoral Advice
Philemon	Intercessionary Example

Hebrew Christian Epistles

Hebrews

The New Covenant

James

Faith Demonstrated

1 Peter

Persecuted Church

2 Peter

Coming Apostasy

1 John

Love

2 John

False Teachers

3 John

Preparation of Helpers

Jude

Apostasy

“He Shall Glorify Me”

John 16:14

- Old Testament
 - Christ in Prophecy “Behold, He Comes!”
- Gospels
 - Christ in History “Behold, He Dies!”
- Acts
 - Christ in the Church “Behold, He Lives!”
- Epistles
 - Christ in Experience “Behold, He Saves!”
- Apocalypse
 - Christ in coming Glory “Behold, He Reigns!”

The Divine Outline

Revelation 1:19

Write the things which thou hast seen,

Vision of Christ,

Chapter 1

and the things which are,

The Seven Churches,

Chapters 2 & 3

and the things which shall be hereafter;

That which follows after the churches;

Chapters 4-22

The Seven Kingdom Parables

Rev. 2 & 3

- Ephesus
- Smyrna
- Pergamos
- Thyatira
- Sardis
- Philadelphia
- Laodicea

Matthew 13

- The Sower and 4 Soils
- The Tares and the Wheat
- The Mustard Seed
- The Woman & the Leaven
- The Treasure in the Field
- The Pearl of Great Price
- The Dragnet

Seven Churches

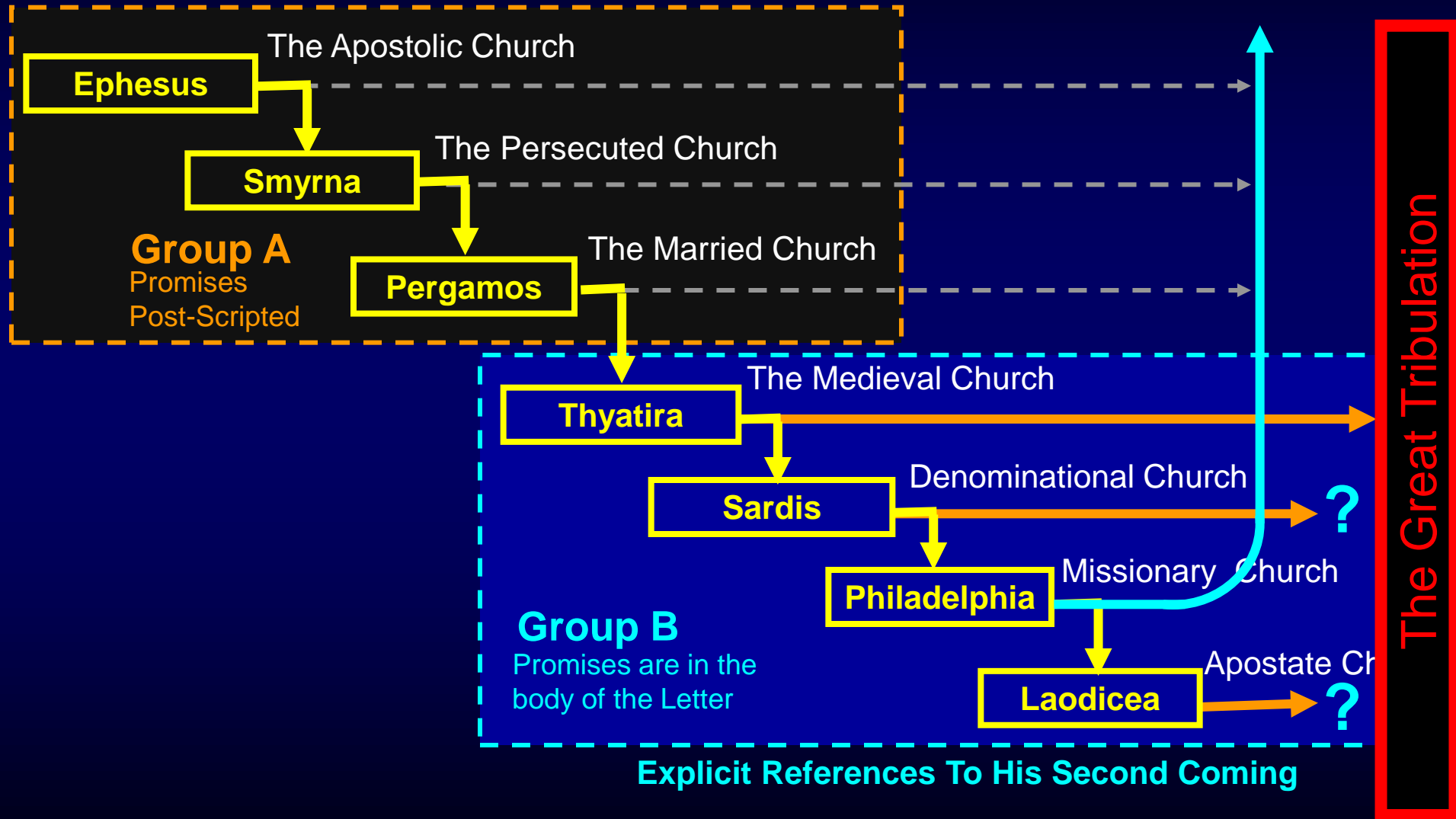
Jesus:

- Ephesus
- Smyrna
- Pergamos
- Thyatira
- Sardis
- Philadelphia
- Laodicea

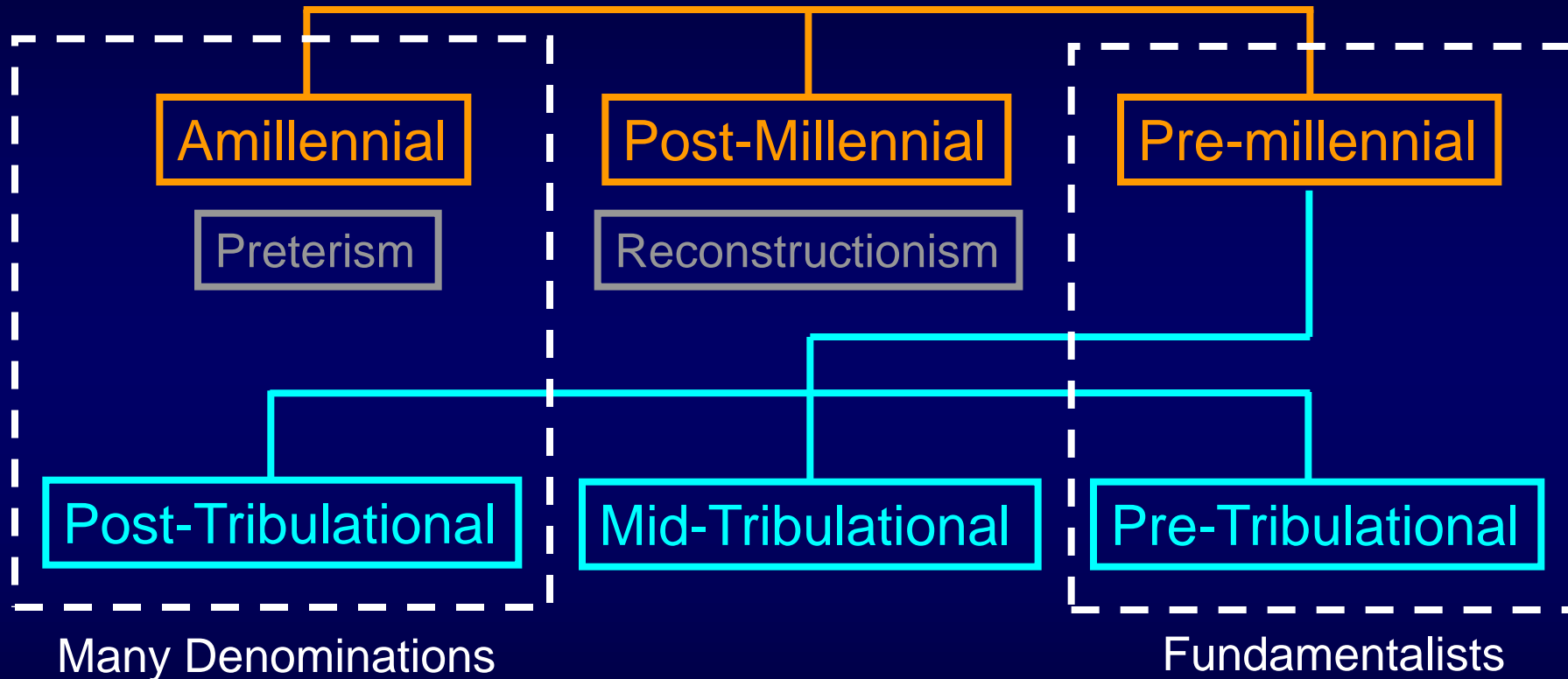
Paul:

- Ephesus
- Philippians
- Corinthians
- Galatians
- Romans
- Thessalonians
- Colossians

Prophetic Profile?

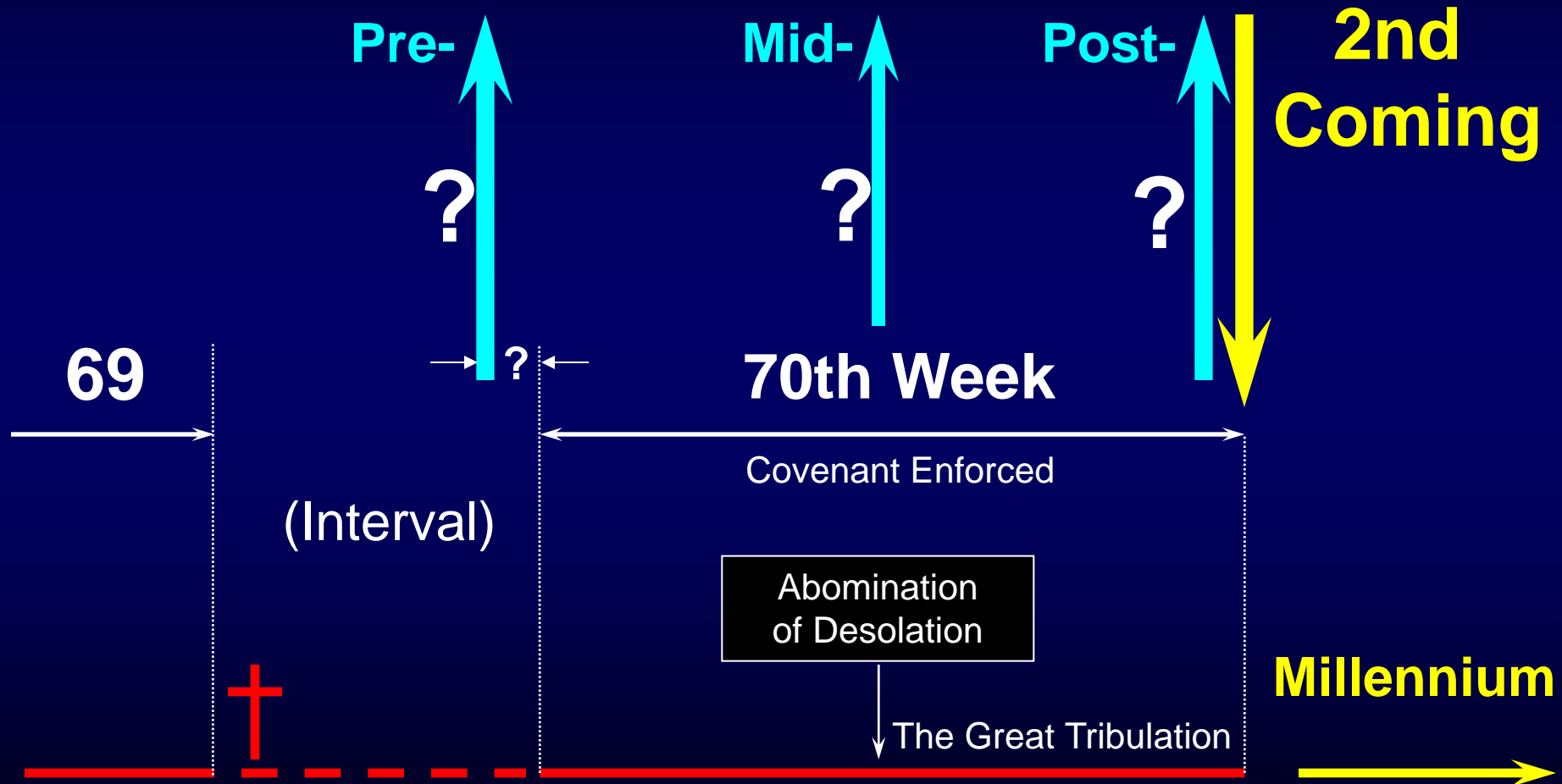


Eschatology



Allegorical ← **Hermeneutics** → Literal

Alternative “Tribulation” Views



One Integrated Design

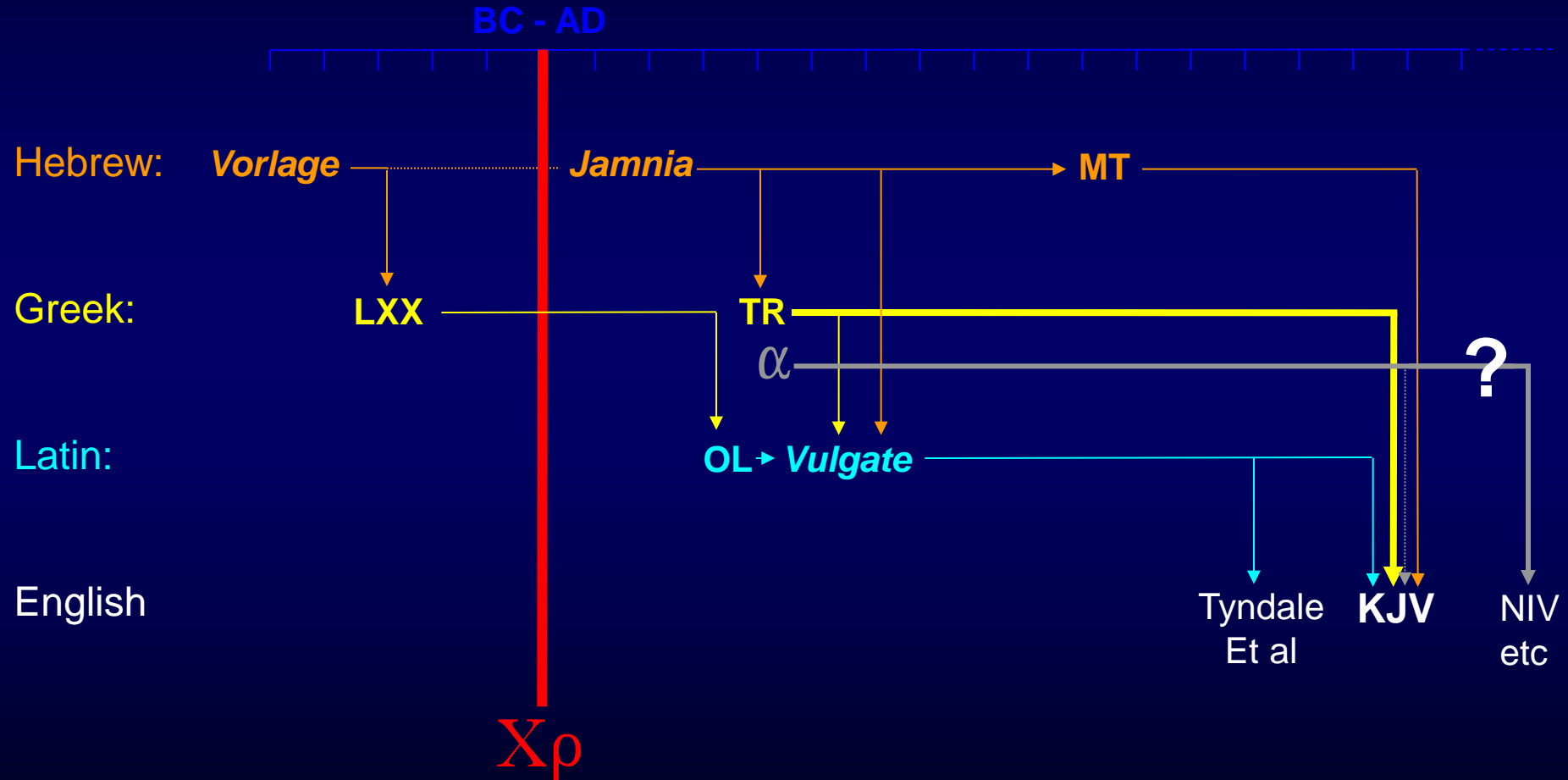
The New Testament

is in the Old Testament concealed;

The Old Testament

is in the New Testament revealed.

History of the English Bible



Two Basic Discoveries

1. The Bible consists of
 - 66 separate books
 - Penned by over 40 authors
 - Over a period of several thousand years
that are an integrated message system;
2. It can be demonstrated that the origin of this message is from *outside of our dimensions of space and time.*

Our Challenge

We are being plunged into a period of time about which the Bible says more than about any other period in history

...including the time when Jesus walked the shores of Galilee and climbed the mountains of Judea.

How to study

- Prayer & relationship with the Author
- Presuppositions
- Note taking
- Your Secret Journal
- Helps
 - Exegetical
 - Expositional

Our Coming King

(Inspired by Pastor S. D. Lockridge)

- He is:
 - King of the Jews (*racial*);
 - King of Israel (*national*);
 - King of all the the Ages;
 - King of Heaven;
 - King of Glory;
 - King of Kings;
 - ..and Lord of Lords.
- *Do you know Him?*
Do you really?

- A prophet before **Moses**;
- A priest after **Melchizedek**;
- A champion like **Joshua**;
- An offering in place of **Isaac**;
- A king from **David**;
- A wise counselor above **Solomon**;
- A beloved/rejected/exalted son like **Joseph**.

And yet far more...

The Heavens declare His glory...
and the firmament shows His handiwork..
He who **is**,
who **was**,
and who **always will be**;
The first and the last
He is the **Alpha** and **Omega**
the **Aleph** and the **Tau**
the **A** and the **Z**;
He is the first fruits of them that slept.

- He is the **ἐγὼ εἰμὶ**,
the **אֶהְיֶה אֲשֶׁר אֶהְיֶה**,
the "I AM that I AM"
The voice of the Burning Bush!
 - the Captain of the Lord's Host
 - the conqueror of Jericho
- He is enduringly strong;
 - entirely sincere;
 - eternally steadfast;
- He is immortally graceful;
 - imperially powerful;
 - impartially merciful

In Him dwells
the fullness of the Godhead bodily;
The very God of very God.
He is our Kinsman-Redeemer
and He is our Avenger of Blood;
He is our City of Refuge;
Our Performing High Priest,
Our Personal Prophet,
Our Reigning King.

- He's the loftiest idea in Literature;
- He's the highest personality in Philosophy;
- He's the fundamental doctrine of Theology;
- He's the Supreme Problem in "higher criticism"!
- He's the Miracle of the Ages;
the superlative of everything good

We are the beneficiaries of a love letter:

It was written in blood,
on a wooden cross
erected in Judea
2,000 years ago.

He was crucified on a cross of wood;

*Yet He made the hill
on which it stood.*

*By Him were all things made
that were made;*

*without Him was not anything made
that was made;*

By Him are all things held together!

What held Him to that cross?

It wasn't the nails!

(At any time He could have declared,
“I'm out of here!”)

It was His love for you and me.

He was born of a woman
so that we could be born of God;
He humbled Himself
so that we could be lifted up;
He became a servant
so that we could be made co-heirs;
He suffered rejection
so that we could become His friends;
He denied Himself
so that we could freely receive all things;
He gave Himself
so that He could bless us in every way.

He is **available** to the **tempted** and the **tried**;

He **blesse**s the **young**;

He **cleanses** the **lepers**;

He **defends** the **feeble**;

He **delivers** the **captives**;

He **discharges** the **debtors**;

He **forgives** the **sinner**s;

He franchises the meek;

He guards the besieged;

He heals the sick;

He provides strength to the weak;

He regards the aged;

He rewards the diligent;

He serves the unfortunate;

He sympathizes and He saves!

*His **Offices** are manifold;
His **Reign** is righteous;
His **Promises** are sure;
His **Goodness** is limitless;
His **Light** is matchless;
His **Grace** is sufficient;
His **Love** never changes;
His **Mercy** is everlasting;
His **Word** is enough;
His **Yoke** is easy and His burden is light!*

- *He's indescribable;*
- *He's incomprehensible;*
- *He's irresistible;*
- *He's invincible!*

*The Heaven of heavens
cannot contain Him;
Man cannot explain Him;
The Pharisees couldn't stand Him,
and learned that they couldn't stop Him;
Pilate couldn't find any fault with Him;
the witnesses couldn't agree against Him.
Herod couldn't kill Him,
death couldn't handle Him,
the grave couldn't hold Him!*

He has always been and always will be;

He had no predecessor and
will have no successor;

You can't impeach Him and
he isn't going to resign!

His name is above every name;
That at the name of **Yeshua**

Every knee shall bow
Every tongue shall confess

That **Jesus Christ is Lord!**

His is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory... for ever, and ever.

...Amen!

Truth is not a philosophy

Truth is a person...

Our Lord, Jesus Christ

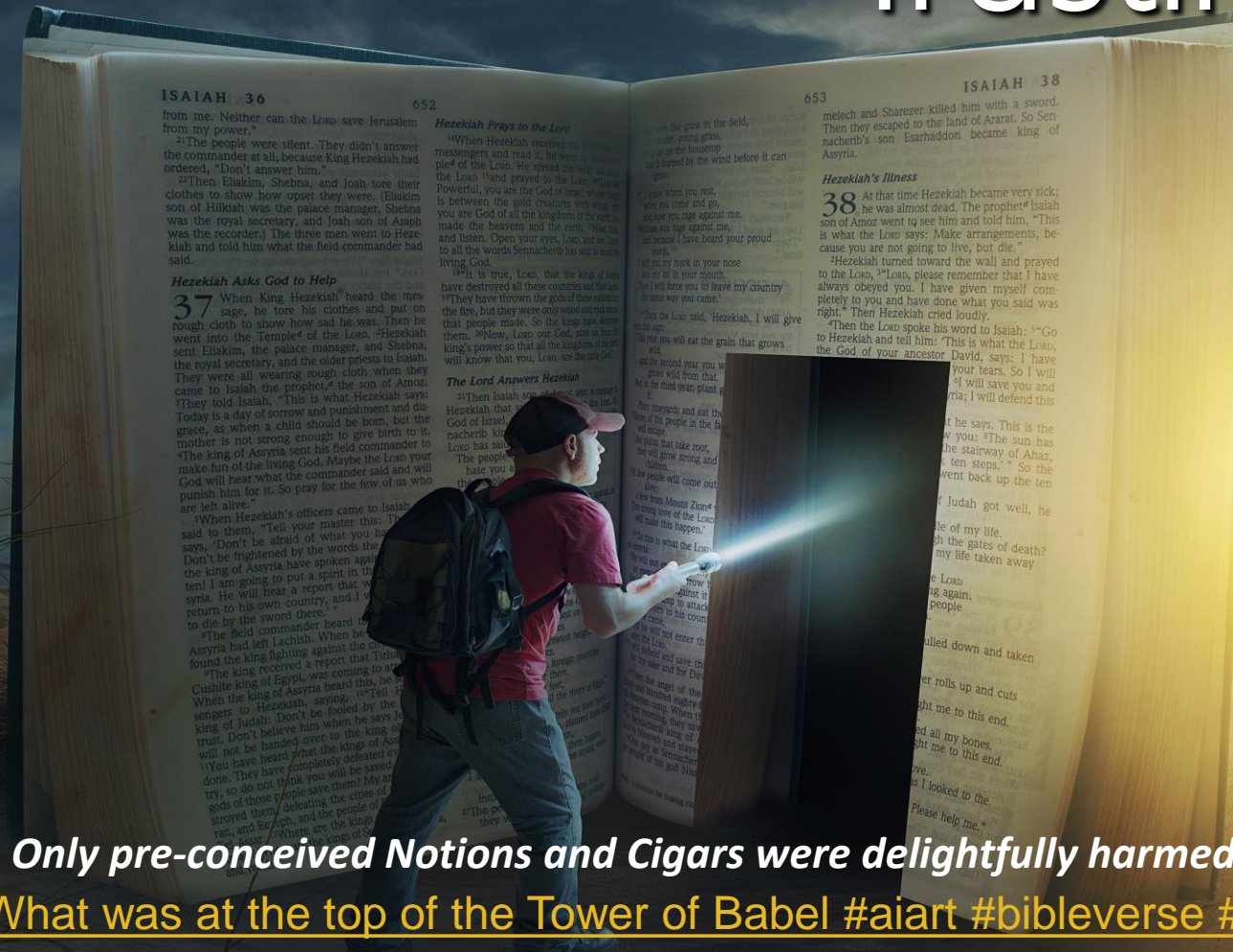
Nic at Night

Joh 3:5 Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

Water is symbolic of the Word of God

- Word and Spirit -

Trusting the Bible



Only pre-conceived Notions and Cigars were delightfully harmed in this Exercise.
What was at the top of the Tower of Babel #aiart #bibleverse #bible #sumerian

QUESTIONS?

Additional Slides for study

Genesis vs. Revelation

	Gen	Rev
• Earth Created	1:1	
• Earth Passed away		21:1
• Sun to govern Day	1:16	
• No need of sun		21:23
• Darkness called night	1:5	
• No night there		22:5
• Waters He called seas	1:10	
• No more sea		21:1
• A river for earth's blessing	2:10-14	
• A river for New Earth		22:1,2

Genesis vs. Revelation

	Gen	Rev
• Earth's government (re: Israel)	37	
• Earth's judgment (re: Israel)		16:8
• Man in God's Image	1:26	
• Man Headed by Satan's Image		13:
• Entrance of sin	3:6	
• End of sin		21:27
• Curse pronounced	3:14-17	
• No more curse		22:3
• Death entered	3:19	
• No more death		21:4

Genesis vs. Revelation

	Gen	Rev
• Man driven out of Eden	3:24	
• Man restored		22
• Tree of life guarded	3:24	
• Right to Tree of life		22:14
• Sorrow & suffering enter	3:17	
• No more sorrow		22:4
• Nimrod founds Babylon	10:8-10	
• Babylon falls		17,18
• God's Flood to destroy evil generation	6 - 9	
• Satan's flood to destroy elect generation		12

Genesis vs. Revelation

	Gen	Rev
• A bow: God's promise	9:13	
• A bow for remembrance		4:3; 10:1
• Sodom & Egypt: corruption, judgment	13,19	
• "Sodom & Egypt"(Jerusalem)		11:8
• A confederation vs. Abraham's people	14	
• A confederation vs. Abraham's seed		12
• A bride for Abraham's son	24	
• A bride for Abraham's Seed		21
• Marriage of 1st Adam	2:18-23	
• Marriage of Last Adam		19
• Man's dominion ceased; Satan's begun	3:24	
• Satan's domain ended; man's restored		22