



God's Story

Putting the Puzzle Together

Creation & the Fall

Vertical Life Church



A Few Goals for the Study

1. Identify the unifying theme of the Bible
2. List reasons Israel was chosen (and why we are chosen)
3. Examine elements of Abrahamic, Mosaic, and New Covenants
4. Show why God had to become a man to accomplish redemption
5. Demonstrate that the Bible is 1 cohesive plan of salvation
 - A. OT and NT are inseparably linked
 - B. Biblical Judaism and Christianity are 1 religion



What is the Bible Primarily About?

- Love?
- Salvation?
- Relationship?
- God?
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Message of Kingdom of God

- John the Baptist – Mat 3:1-2
- Jesus – Mat 4:23
- Disciples – Mat 10:7
- Jesus IDs as the message – Mat 24:14
- Paul – Acts 19:8
- Manifested at the end – 1 Cor 15:21-27

Narrative Outline

- Creation & Fall
- Call of Abraham
- Birth of Isaac
- Living in Egypt
- The Exodus
- Giving of the Law
- Entering the Promised Land
- Three Kings
- Kingdom Split
- Assyrian Dispersion & Babylonian Captivity
- Return to the Land
- Coming of the Messiah

Creation Account

- God's Story starts with God (Gen 1:1)
- God brings order out of chaos (2)
- Differences between Gen 1-2 and Egyptian story of creation
 - One creator existing before all things
 - God creates out of nothing
 - Created things are not gods
 - God is supreme over all creation
 - God does not struggle; rather He rests (Gen 2:1-4; Heb 4:1-13)