the whole story

Discovering how God used biblical history to reveal his story

God's promised blessing

O.T. Biblical History Anchor Points (BHAP)

CREATION
 ABRAHAM- Promise
 JOSEPH- EGYPT
 MOSES- Covenant
 WANDERINGS

6) JOSHUA- CANAAN
7) KING DAVID- Kingdom
8) DIVIDED KINGDOM
9) CAPTIVITY - Babylon
10) RETURN TO LAND

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11) Arrival of the King- Gospels Jesus' Incarnation
12) Invitation to the Kingdom- Acts & Letters
"The Law and the Prophets were proclaimed until John.
Since that time, the good news of the kingdom of God is being preached, " Lk 16:16

The Plan: HUMAN <u>Dominion</u> in God's Image (attributes) The Problem: HUMAN <u>Failure</u> The Promise: GOD's <u>Provision</u>

Kingdoms require a **People**, **Place**, & King!

"Now <u>if</u> you **obey me** <u>fully</u> and keep my covenant, <u>then</u> out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a <u>kingdom of priests and a holy nation</u>.' These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites." ~Yahweh to Moses (Exodus 19:5-6)

The Faithful Nation

1 Peter 2:9-10

But you are a chosen people, <u>a royal priesthood</u>, <u>a holy nation</u>, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were **not** <u>a people</u>, but now you are <u>the people</u> **of God**; once you had not received mercy, but now you have <u>received mercy</u>.

"<u>If</u> you <u>fully</u> **obey** the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth...

However, if you do not obey the Lord your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees,.. all these curses will come on you and overtake you" ~Moses (Deuteronomy 28:1, 15)

The New Covenant

Jeremiah 31:31-33

"The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when **I will make a new covenant** with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,.. This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,.. **I will** <u>put my law in their minds</u> and <u>write it on their hearts</u>. I will be their God, and <u>they will be</u> **my people**."

God's Eternal Kingdom is not based on Race, but on Grace.

God's Promise Fulfilled

Romans 9:6-8

It is not as though God's word had failed. For not all who are descended from <u>Israel</u> are <u>Israel</u>. Nor because they are his descendants are they all Abraham's children..., it is not the children by physical descent who are God's children, but it is the <u>children of the promise</u> who are regarded as <u>Abraham's offspring.</u>

The Everlasting Kingdom

Galatians 3:7-8, 26-29

Understand, then, that those who have faith are children of Abraham. Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: "All nations will be blessed through you."... So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. **If** you belong to Christ, **then** you are **Abraham's** seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Spiritual Israel

James 1:1

James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To <u>the twelve tribes</u> scattered among the nations:

"Have you never read in the Scriptures: '*The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes*?" Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed."

~Jesus (Matthew 21:42-44)