Biblical Theology of Salvation through Christ's Redemptive Work

I. Introduction: The Need for _____

A. The _____ of Man in Eden

- Genesis 3:1-24 (esp. vv. 6-7, 17-19)
- **Genesis 3:6-7** When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. <u>r</u>Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.
- **Genesis 3:17-19** <u>17</u>To Adam he said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, 'You must not eat from it,' "Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. <u>18</u>It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. <u>19</u>By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return."
- Key points:

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- Adam and Eve _____ God, introducing sin into the world.
- Humanity's relationship with God was broken (Genesis 3:23–24).
 - _____, both physical and spiritual, entered creation.
 - **Romans 5:12** Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned

B. _____ of the Fall

- ______ subjected to frustration and decay (Romans 8:20–22).
- Humanity enslaved to sin and separated from God (Isaiah 59:2; Ephesians 2:1– 3).
- Universal need for reconciliation.
 - **Romans 3:23** for <u>have sinned and fall short of the glory of God</u>

II. Old Testament Foundations: Promise of Redemption

A. Protoevangelium: First Promise of a _____

- The word "**Protoevangelium**" comes from two Greek terms: "**proto**," meaning "first," and "**euangelion**," meaning "good news" or "gospel." This term is used to describe what many consider to be the earliest announcement of the gospel message in Scripture.
- **Genesis 3:15** And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."
- Foreshadows Christ's victory over Satan.

B. The Sacrificial System as a _____

- Leviticus 17:11 For the life of a creature is in the blood, and I have given it to you to make atonement for yourselves on the altar; it is the blood that makes atonement for one's life.
- Temporary atonement pointing to ultimate sacrifice.

C. Prophetic _____ of a Messiah

- Isaiah 53:4-6 <u>4</u>Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. <u>5</u>But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. <u>6</u>We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.
- Psalm 22
- Jeremiah 31:31-34 <u>31</u> "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. <u>32</u>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," *declares the Lord.*<u>33</u> "This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time," declares the Lord. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. <u>34</u>No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," *declares the Lord.* "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

III. Fulfillment in the Person and Work of Jesus Christ

A. _____: God Comes to Save

- John 1:14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.
- **Matthew 1:21** "She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

B. Jesus' Life and Perfect Obedience

- **Hebrews 4:15** For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.
- 1 Peter 2:22 "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

C. _____ Death on the Cross

- **Romans 3:25** God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished—
- **2 Corinthians 5:21** God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.
- **1 Peter 3:18** For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.
- **1 John 2:2** He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.
- **1 John 4:10** This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

D. ____: Victory Over Death and Sin

- **1 Corinthians 15:3–4** <u>3</u>For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, <u>4</u>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures...
- 1 Corinthians 15:20–22 20 But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. 22 For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

IV. Results and Application of Salvation

A. _____ by Faith

- **Romans 5:1** Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
- Ephesians 2:8–9 8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— 9 not by works, so that no one can boast.

B. _____ with God

• **Colossians 1:21–22** <u>21</u>Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. <u>22</u>But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation—

C. New _____ and Transformation

- **2 Corinthians 5:17** Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!
- **Titus 3:5** "he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit,"

D. Hope of _____ Glory

- **Romans 8:30** And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.
- Revelation 21:1–4 <u>1</u>Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. <u>2</u>I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. <u>3</u>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. <u>4</u>'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

V. Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament Fulfillment (Summary Table)

OT Prophecy	Reference		NT Fulfillment	Reference
Seed of the woman		3:15	Christ born of woman	Galatians 4:4
Suffering servant	Isaiah 53		Jesus' crucifixion	1 2:24
Pierced hands/feet		22:16	Crucifixion details	20:25–27
New covenant promise	e	31:31–34	Instituted by Jesus	Luke 22:20
Source for typological connection: Kaiser, The Messiah in the Old Testament; Beale, A New Testament Biblical Theology, 2011.				

VI. Conclusion

- **Theological** : The fall necessitated salvation because humanity became dead in sin and unable to reconcile with God on its own (Romans 6:23; John 3:16).
- **Christ as** _____: Jesus fulfills all redemptive promises through His perfect life, sacrificial death, and victorious resurrection.
- **response**: Call to repentance and faith (Acts 2:38; Romans 10:9–10), new life in holiness (Ephesians 4:22–24).

Supporting Cross-References for Further Study

- Romans 6:23
- John 3:16
- Hebrews 9:12
- Revelation 5:9