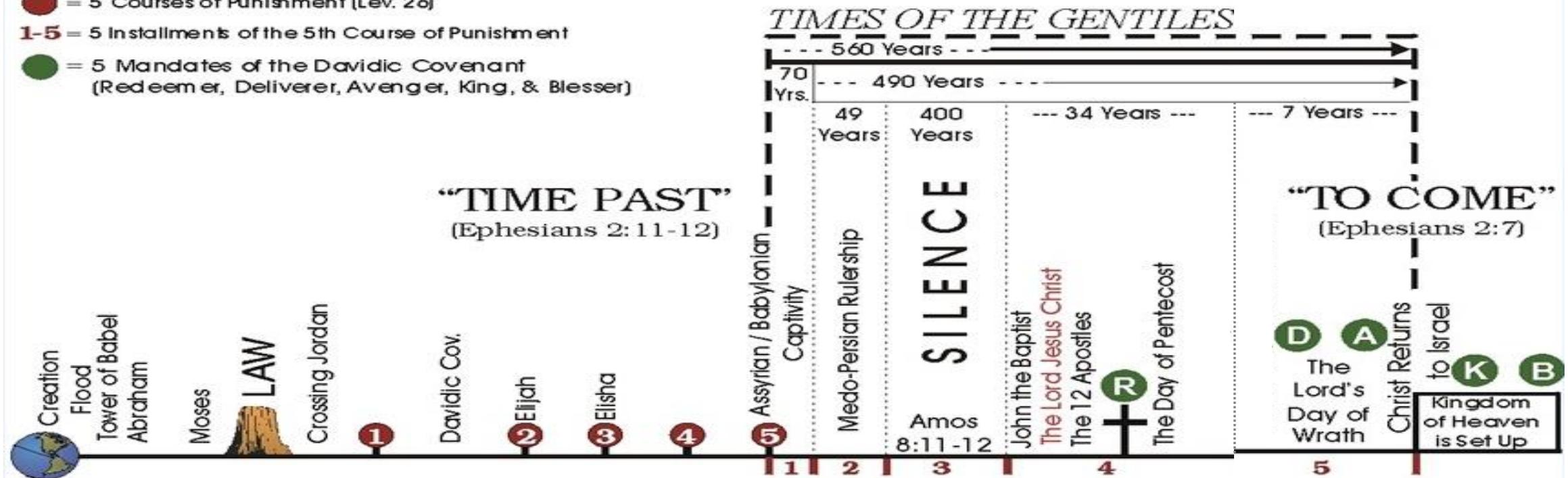


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ISRAEL - "The Circumcision" - "nigh unto God"

THE LAW serves as a "middle wall of partition."

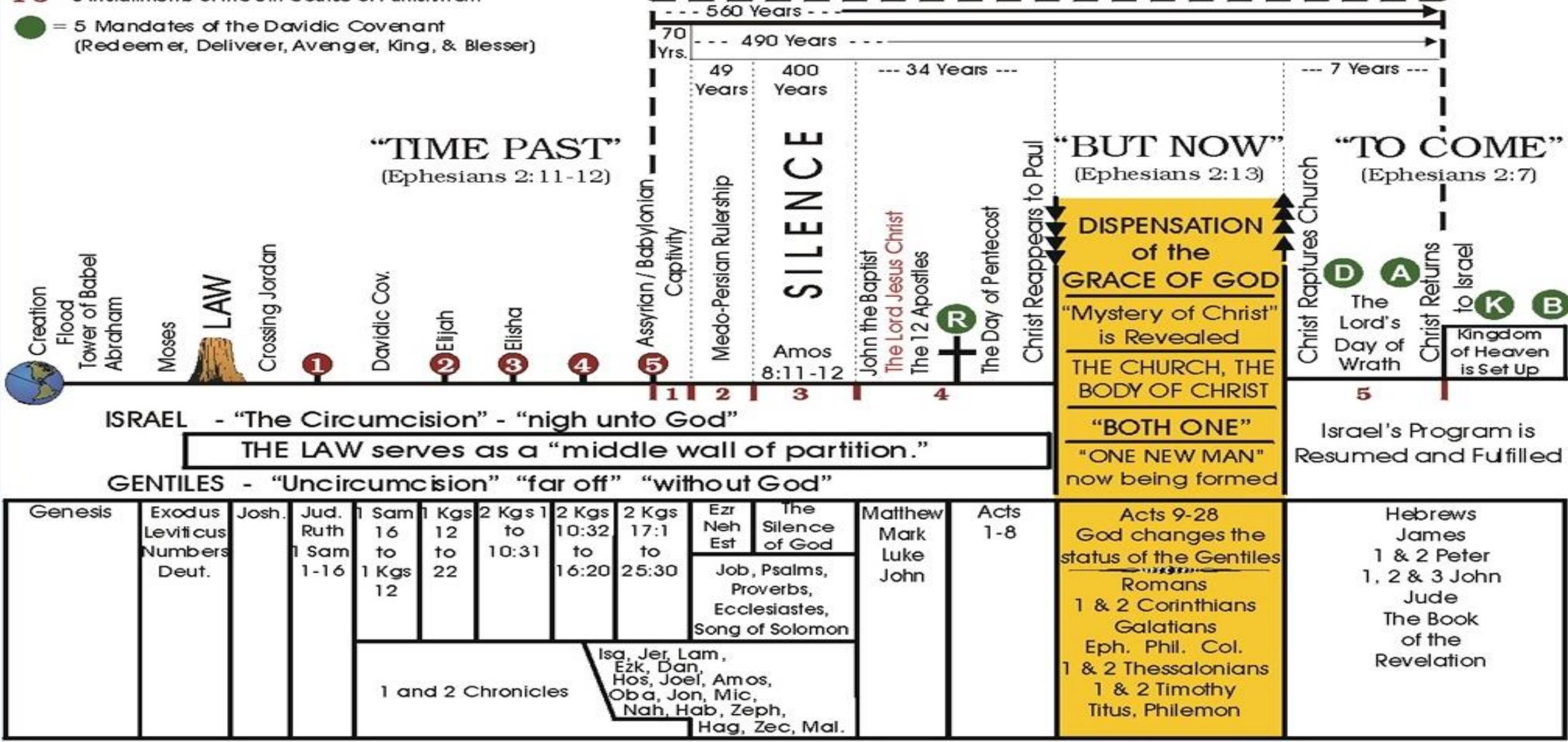
Israel's Program is Resumed and Fulfilled

GENTILES - "Uncircumcision" "far off" "without God"

Genesis	Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deut.	Josh.	Jud. Ruth 1 Sam 1-16	1 Sam 16 to 1 Kgs 12	1 Kgs 12 to 22	2 Kgs 1 to 10:31	2 Kgs 10:32 to 16:20	2 Kgs 17:1 to 25:30	Ezr Neh Est	The Silence of God	Matthew Mark Luke John	Acts 1-8	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation
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TIMES OF THE GENTILES



AT THE CROSS - 1

Alas, and did my Savior bleed
And did my Sovereign die?
Would He devote that sacred head
For sinners such as I?

Chorus:

At the cross, at the cross
Where I first saw the light
And the burden of my heart rolled away
It was there by faith, I received my sight
And now I am happy all the day!

AT THE CROSS - 2

Was it for crimes that I had done
He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity, grace unknown
And love beyond degree!

Chorus:

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AT THE CROSS - 3

Well might the sun in darkness hide
And shut his glories in
When Christ the mighty Maker died
For man, the creature's sin

Chorus:

At the cross, at the cross
Where I first saw the light
And the burden of my heart rolled away
It was there by faith, I received my sight
And now I am happy all the day!

AT THE CROSS - 4

But drops of grief can ne'r repay

The debt of love I owe

Here, Lord, I give myself away

'Tis all that I can do

Chorus:

At the cross, at the cross

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Chosen and Predestinated

Pt. 3

Eph. 1:4-5

1. Eph. 1:5: Predestination: He pre-determined in eternity past that He would bring us into His family as adult sons (and daughters), children in their **majority** (not their minority as He did with Israel in Time Past), so that we could receive our inheritance (Eph. 1:3, 11), making us heirs of God and co-heirs of Christ (Rom. 8:15-17), so that we can immediately begin to participate in the Father's business and be made into God's inheritance (Eph. 1:18)!

2. When Israel went under the Law according to the flesh at Sinai, saying we will do it ourselves (Ex. 19:8), they not only rejected God's I AM Jehovah Name. They also rejected their sonship position (Ex. 4:22-23):
 - a. They entered a system of bondage and fear (19:10-25).
 - b. Rather than consuming them, God placed them in an education program to teach them to rely on the Grace resident in His Jehovah Name—the Courses of Punishment—that should have led them to receive Christ by faith when He came.

3. God allowed as a one-time experiment Israel to enter the Law according to the flesh to prove once and for all that if Israel couldn't obtain or maintain a relationship with God based on the Law through the power of their flesh—with all her advantages and privileges (Rom. 9:1-4)—no one else can either (Rom. 3:19-20).

--God is never again re-running the experiment. No flesh can relate to Him by the Law through works, so the only way is by Grace through faith in the Person and Work of another, the Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross for sinners.

--Even when He re-starts His Prophetic Program with Israel He will not do it that way again. Instead, in accord with the New Covenant, He will put the purified Law in their hearts and give them the Spirit, who will cause them to walk in His commandments.

4. Gal. 3:19; 24-29: Now in the Dispensation of Grace, neither Jews nor Gentiles are brought into the family of God as little children under the tutors and governors of the Law.

--all are brought into God's family as adult sons by faith in Christ Jesus, that identifies and unites them to Christ, making them participants in all that belongs to Him, incorporated into His new righteous humanity.

5. Today in God's Mystery Program with the Body of Christ, ALL believers are the "adult sons of God," placing ALL of them into His family via son-placement so that they can receive the inheritance in Christ, heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ.

6. This is not the adoption of children (KJV) but the adoption of sons (NKJV). Adoption of children can lead into two misconceptions:
 - a. It could make us think along the lines of modern adoption whereby small unwanted children (usually babies) are taken from one family and brought into another family.
 - b. It is also not a family's small children who grow into maturity to become full-grown adult children. It is not a variation of the bar or bat mitzvahs of Judaism.

7. The word for children (teknon) is not used in this passage (KJV). We have to go with the NKJV—adoption as sons.
--This is just one Gk. word: huiothesia: son-placed

8. “Children” is the larger more general word. It can refer to children in their minority or their majority, but usually it refers to children in their minority unless context demands otherwise.
 - a. Being made the children of God explains WHAT God does with us when we believe. We are brought into His family and made His children.
 - b. Being son-placed by Christ (God the SON), however, explains HOW God brings us into His family as adult sons and daughters so that we can immediately be heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, receiving our inheritance (all spiritual blessings), so that we can participate in the Father’s business of re-establishing His Glory in the Heavens fully and immediately, right now down here.

9. Rom. 8:14-17:

- a. vv. 12-13: Context is living according to the Spirit who brings life (to your Christian walk). Walking according to the flesh, however, bring death (to your Christian walk).
- b. V. 14: To be enabled to do this, God gave to all believers His Spirit to lead them so they can walk as adult sons and daughters of God. Paul is not saying here the Spirit is leading some believers and not others, therefore, some believers are children in their minority and others are adult children in their majority!

--ALL believers are led by the Spirit. ALL believers, however, do not follow His lead all the time. It is not that they revert to childhood status but that they are operating contrary to their sonship position in Christ. (Gal. 5:18 cp. Mat.4:3).

- c. V. 15: YE—You All—did not receive a spirit of bondage and fear (as Israel did when they went under the Law according to the flesh) but the Spirit of adoption whereby we can address God the same way His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ addresses Him—Abba Father—Mk. 14:36.
- d. Vv.16-17: The Spirit doesn't just bring us into God's family as children in general but as children in their majority, son-placed so that they can be His heirs and co-heirs with Christ RIGHT NOW only waiting for its complete fulfillment when we are resurrected and receive resurrection bodies like unto Christ's—spiritual, heavenly and without indwelling sin. (Rom. 8:23).

10. He chose that all believers in Christ (v. 4a) would receive all His blessings (v. 3) so that they could be holy, set apart for His use, blameless in Love (v. 4b), so that they would be equipped to carry out the Father's business as adult sons and daughters fully and immediately (v. 5).

a. Paul is not saying that all believers are brought into His family as little children, who if they grow and mature will be led by the Spirit into their adult status.

- b. Paul's point is that unlike Israel at Sinai, all believers today in the Body of Christ, are SON-PLACED into His family as ADULT CHILDREN. There is no little children stage for members of the Body of Christ positionally. Experientially, yes, but not positionally.
- c. We are all led by the Spirit, the fact that some do not follow and go the wrong direction doesn't change this—they are still adults although adults are acting like little children.

11. Son-Placement is not about growth and maturity but about our position IN CHRIST.

--We are brought into His family as adult children positionally in Christ, and the Spirit invites us to follow His lead into the fullness of that position into our experience.

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