

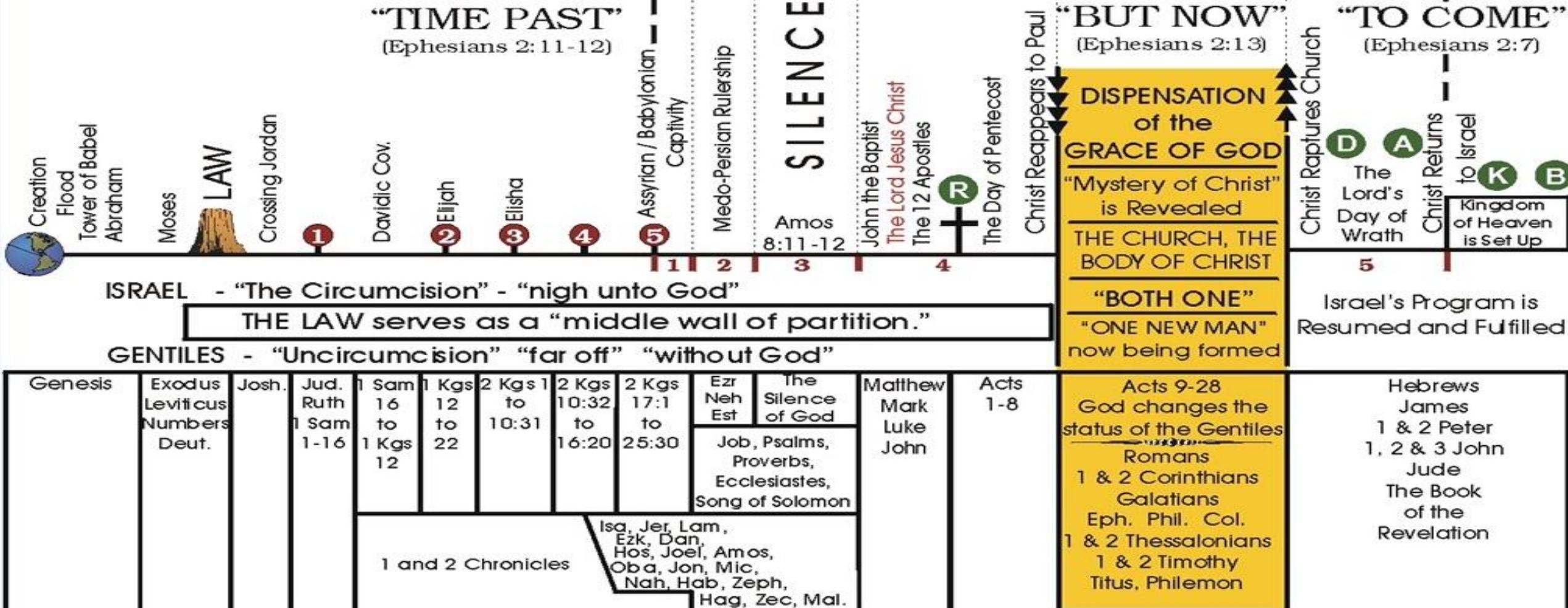
Introduction to Gospel of John (Pt. 2)

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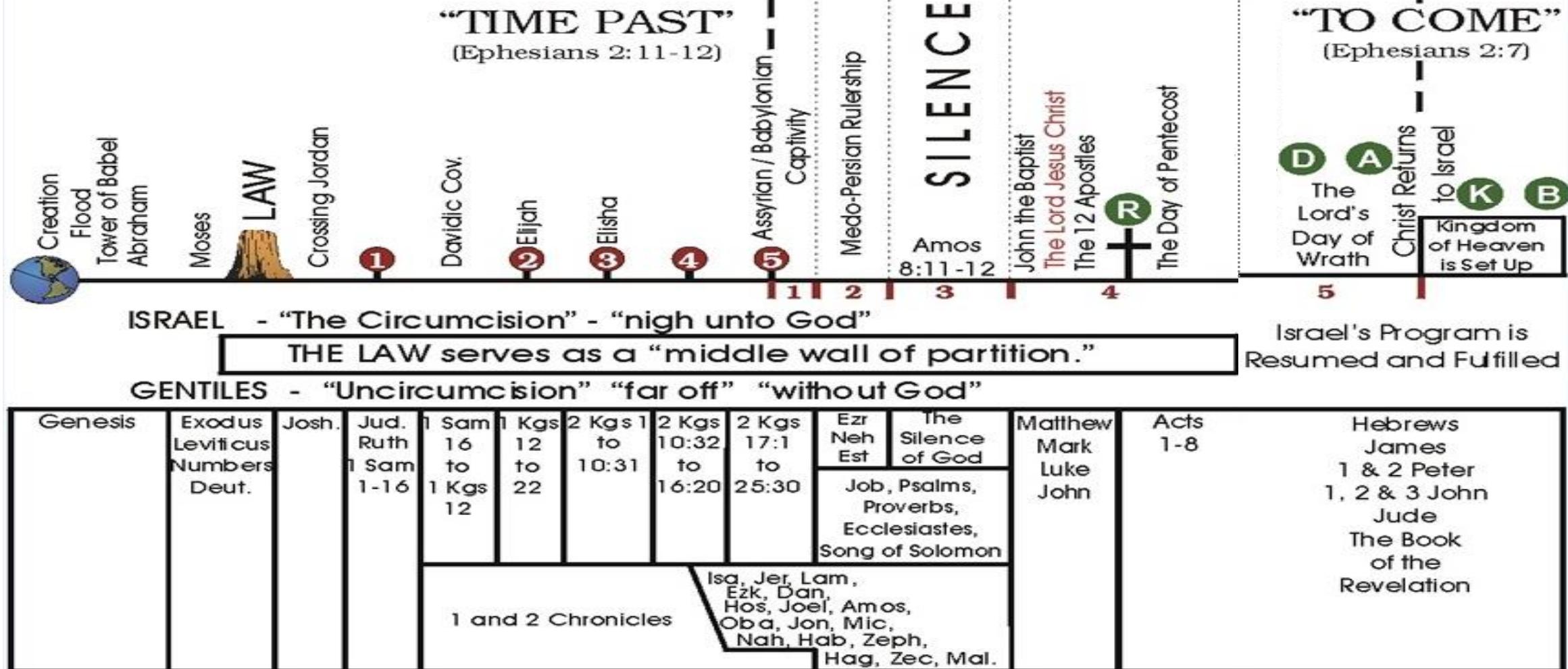


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1. Defining Some Terms in Israel's Prophetic Program:

- a. Salvation.
- b. World or “cosmos.”
- c. Love and Christ’s death.
- d. Eternal Life
- e. Sin
- f. The “Work” of God

THE COSMOS/WORLD

WORLD IN DARKNESS

Everyone
born
Into the
world
dead in
sin and
enemies
of God.

**John mostly
focuses on this.**

1st Step VRS Missed

Justification
before God and
His Tribunal unto
eternal life by
faith without
works.

**SAVING
ENEMIES.**

Believing
Remnant
of Israel
And their
friends

**Mat., Mk., Lk.
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Justification
before Christ at
His 2nd Coming
for life in the
Kingdom by
faithfulness.
**SAVING
FRIENDS**

**WORLD
IN
LIGHT**

Earthly
Kingdom

THE COSMOS/WORLD

WORLD IN DARKNESS

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**Paul explains this
for all
dispensations**

Justification
before God and
His Tribunal unto
eternal life by
faith without
works.

**SAVING
ENEMIES.**

**Paul explains this for the
Dispensation of Grace**

Body of Christ already
seated in the Heavencies
with Christ, awaiting our
future resurrection bodies.
**BEING RECONCILED
MUCH MORE.**

2. Like every Gentile, including Abraham himself, every Israelite is born into the world a part of fallen Adamic humanity--ungodly sinners on enemy status before God—spiritually dead—and need most fundamentally of all to be rightly related to God unto eternal life.
 - a. Like Abraham, God preaches good news to sinners, including the Israelites (in Christ's earthly ministry it was the Gospel of the Kingdom).
 - b. When they believe, they were saved spiritually, justified before God and His Tribunal forevermore **BY FAITH WITHOUT WORKS.**
3. It is only AFTER this step of individual faith that God could work through them in His plan and purpose, providing them national deliverance, which is what Matthew emphasizes.

4. John emphasizes the need for individual spiritual salvation by faith unto eternal life but does not explain how it all works. That is left for Paul who fully manifests and explains how God could justify sinners before the Cross of Christ (Rom. 3-5).
5. Matthew, Mark and Luke, however, still acknowledge the need for faith but emphasize the need for members of the Believing Remnant to participate in Israel's national salvation by faithfulness unto life in the Kingdom. The Non-Pauline Scriptures fully explain and manifest this.
6. One major irony in John is that while outer Israel showed some signs of being ready to receive Christ, Jerusalem didn't, thereby shutting down the whole thing (Jn. 4).

THE WORLD

1. The world of fallen humanity resides in darkness, sin and death, including and beginning with the Nation of Israel under the 5th Course of Punishment, in rejection of God and His Word (Rom. 1:18-32) (Jn. 17:14, 16; 18:36).
2. In John, The Word, in whom is Life, which is the Light of men, becomes a man in the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ in order to shine the Light of God and His Word into the world of fallen humanity. He came to call all out of the darkness, making all who believe in Him and the One Who sent Him His Own.
3. His Own People are in the world but not of it. His Kingdom is also not of this world but comes down from Heaven (8:23, 26; .

THE WORLD

4. Jesus is not of this world nor are His followers nor is His Kingdom, but they are in the world. Jesus and the Kingdom come down from Heaven to the earth. His followers undergo a new spiritual birth that brought them into God's family where they remain in the world as lights pointing to Christ (8:23; 15:19; 16:33; 17:18-19, 23-25; 18:36).
5. When the Kingdom is established, that world will be purged of sin and enemies, Satan and his cohorts, and God's Kingdom of righteousness and life will be established on earth, freeing the Believing Remnant to become the new Nation of Israel and be the conduit of God's blessings to the whole world, a light to the Gentiles (Is. 60).

LOVE in God's Prophetic Program

- a. John tells us that God so loved the world that He gave His Son for belief of His human creation—a world of sinners, darkness, enemies-- (3:16-19).
 - Most read Paul into this and make John say God so loved the world that He gave His Son to go to the cross and die for the sins of the world.
- b. But when John goes on to describe the Love of God at the Cross, Jesus says it was only for His friends (15:13).
- c. This begs the question: Which is it? Does God love and offer salvation to all? Or just His friends? Without the Apostle Paul, based only on John, you might make the same theological mistake most of Historic Christianity has made—that Christ only died for the chosen, those He predestinated to be saved--Calvinism.

LOVE

d. It is in the Pauline Scriptures that God explains, manifests and fully reveals how He saves fallen humanity from its sins and sin—the way everyone is born into the world. Christ dying for His friends might be the greatest manifestation of Love in His Prophetic Program but it is not THE GREATEST MANIFESTATION OF ALL. Paul explains how Christ'S death also provided the basis for saving His enemies—the way we are all born into the world--the most fundamental and universally needed salvation for all! Today in the Disp. Of Grace, in His Mystery Program for the Body of Christ, God is fully manifesting how He has always saved sinners based on Christ and His Cross going all the way back to the Fall of Adam based on faith.