

THE MOST IMPORTANT BOOK IN THE WORLD!

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FAITH RIGHTEOUSNESS

and

The Book Of Matthew

MATTHEW 2: THE STAR PROPHECY

- 1. Infallible Proof #1: The Royal Genealogy—Mat. 1:1-17**
--Jesus met all the legal requirements to establish that He is not just in the line of those who could fulfill it. He is the One Who Will Fulfill it.
- 2. Infallible Proof #2: The Miraculous Birth**
- 3. Infallible Proof #3: Four Prophecy Fulfillments**
- 4. In the light of this, Mat. 2 is to be understood.**
--The wise men from the East have learned what Balak and the rest of the Gentile should have learned—God will never change His mind about His Prophetic Program with the Nation Israel as the source of His blessings to the world.

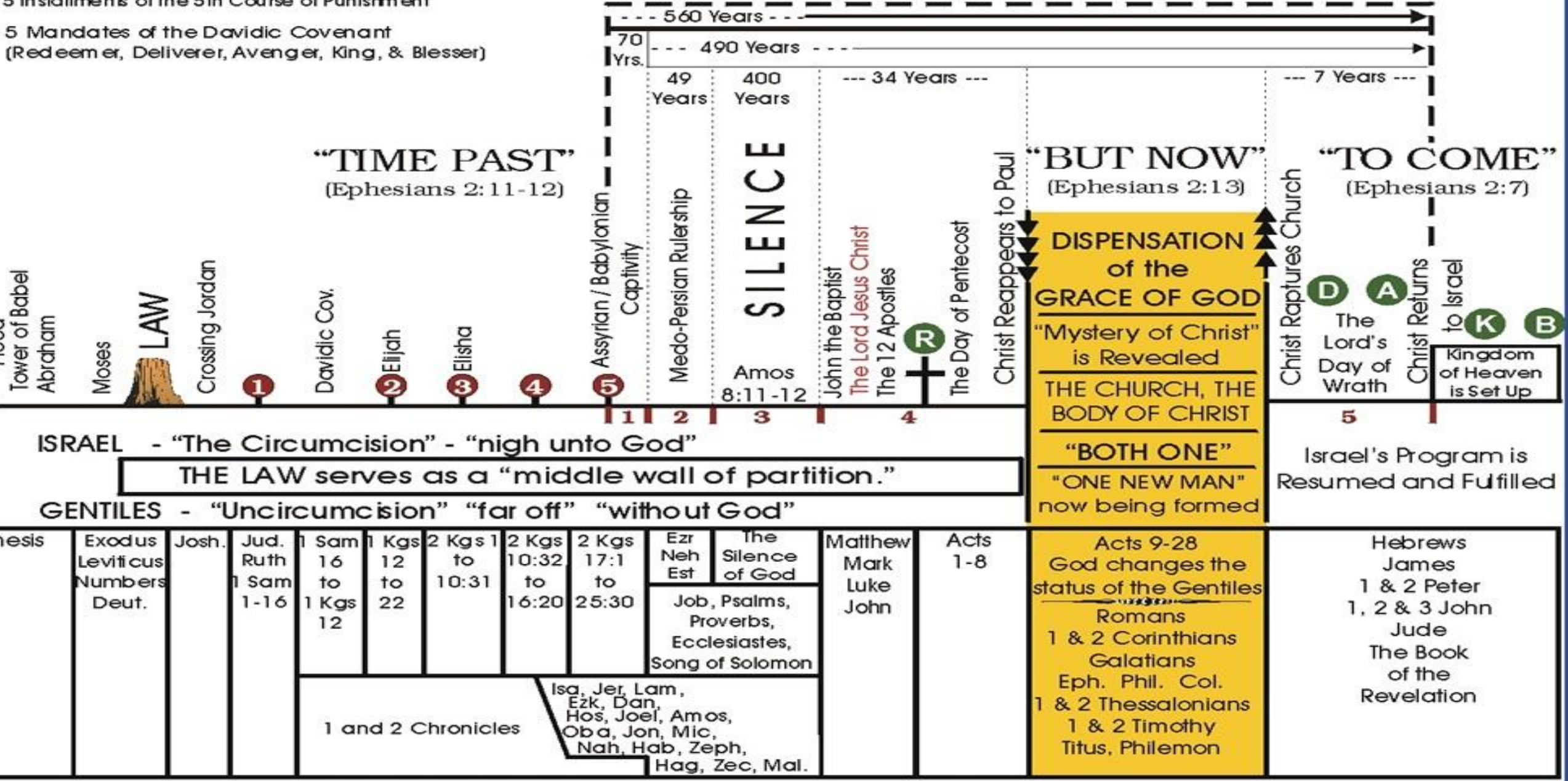
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- 5. The Star Prophecy and the Location of Birth Prophecy: The Governor, the One Who will rule Israel and through Israel the world, will be born in Bethlehem. (Mat. 2:1-12; Micah 5:2 and 6:5)).**

- 6. Micah 6:2-8: 4th Course of Punishment prophet calling on Israel to return to the Lord. It is not too late. Israel refuses to acknowledge her sin.**
 - a. If falling under the curses of the Law isn't Israel's fault, then it must be God's fault. He lists some of the gracious things He has done for Israel.**
 - b. God has protected them and proclaimed truths about them to the world—Balak and Balaam.**
 - c. They need to acknowledge their sin so that they can repent—John the Baptist's call.**
 - d. At stake is the very Righteousness of God—His Righteousness in being faithful to His promise to Abraham and all those associated with Abraham through the nation Israel.**

5 Courses of Punishment (Lev. 26)
 5 Installments of the 5th Course of Punishment
 5 Mandates of the Davidic Covenant
 (Redeemer, Deliverer, Avenger, King, & Blessor)

TIMES OF THE GENTILES.....



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- 7. The Royal Exile Out of the Land Prophecy: Mat. 2:13-15; Hos. 11**
 - a. For Jesus to be Israel's Kinsman-Redeemer He must be:**
 - 1. A Kinsman—the genealogy proves this.**
 - 2. He has to have the resources to accomplish it—His supernatural birth proves this.**
 - 3. He has to be sympathetic to Israel by going through their temptations, succeeding, however, by reliance on God where they failed in reliance on themselves.**
 - 4. In this way, what was intended for the Nation becomes fulfilled in Jesus Christ their King.**
 - b. Just like the nation, Jesus goes into exile in Egypt**
 - c. This is also why He goes into the wilderness in Mat. 4 as well.**

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- 8. The Crying of Rachael for her Children: Mat. 2:16-18; Jer. 31:11-**
 - a. The Adversary squeezed and made to suffer at the Babylonian Captivity (beginning of the 5th Course of Punishment).**
 - b. But Bethlehem/Ramah will especially suffer because of Micah 5:2—that is where Israel's Redeemer will come from who will ransom them from the Adversary—the Davidic Cov.**

- 9. He Shall Be a Nazarene Prophecy: Mat. 2:19-23; Is. 53, etc.**
 - a. At His first coming He would be derided and reproached.**
 - b. Those from Nazareth (Nazarenes) were thought of in this way.**
 - c. Galilee/Nazareth of the Gentiles: Mat. 4:15; Is. 9:1; Jn. 1:43-49**