

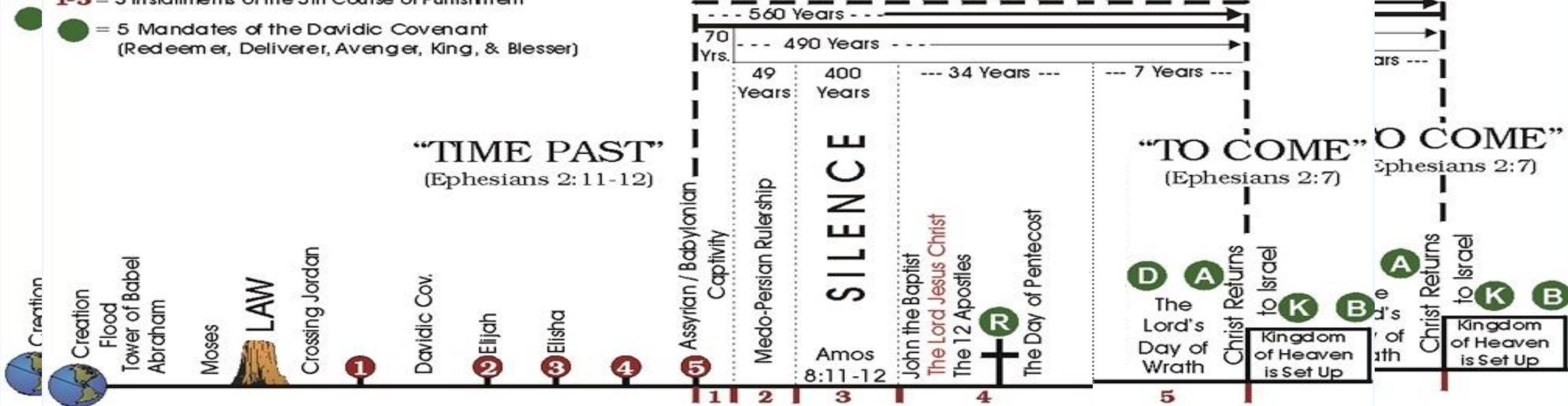
Kingdom Forgiveness (Pt. 2)

Mat. 18:20-35

GOOD MORNING!!

- = 5 Courses of Punishment (Lev. 26)
- 1-5 = 5 Installments of the 5th Course of Punishment
- = 5 Mandates of the Davidic Covenant (Redeemer, Deliverer, Avenger, King, & Blessor)

TIMES OF THE GENTILES



ISRAEL - "The Circumcision" - "nigh unto God"
THE LAW serves as a "middle wall of partition."

"TO COME" (Ephesians 2:7)
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 10:31 to 10:32	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	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation
				1 and 2 Chronicles				Isa, Jer, Lam, Ezk, Dan, Hos, Joel, Amos, Oba, Jon, Mic, Nah, Hab, Zeph, Hag, Zec, Mal.						

1. Jesus is giving pictures of the Kingdom to show that it will be run completely differently than Israel under the VRS.
 - a. It will be run by God's little children who believe in Jesus in complete dependency on the Father (18:1-14).
 - b. It will go to great lengths bring restoration to the brethren (18:15-20).
 - c. It will offer endless forgiveness to the brethren (18:21-35).

2. The least of God's little children in the Believing Remnant (18:5) become the disciples, apostles, prophets, righteous and rulers in the Kingdom. (Mat. 10:40-42)

3. God's little children's future ministry (Ps. 8:2; Is. 28:9; Mat. 21:12-17).
--they will do what the religious leaders should have done!
4. Peter and the 12 will be given a foretaste of the national forgiveness of Israel. The Believing Remnant must freely forgive the brethren without limit.
 - a. This is not personal forgiveness of sins unto justification unto eternal life in the Pauline sense. They had already received that!
 - b. This is Peter and the 12 extending the foretaste of Israel's national forgiveness among the brethren to maintain unity and peace in the Believing Remnant, whom God will use to re-create the nation of Israel in the Kingdom.

5. It was their national guilt as citizens of the Nation of Israel that brought them under the curses of the Law. It will be through national forgiveness of Israel's sins provided through the New Cov. that they will be removed from the curses of the Law.
(Dan. 9:3ff)

6. The Parable of Israel's National Forgiveness in the Kingdom (18:23-35):
 - a. Through the New Covenant God provides forgiveness for Israel's NATIONAL SINS—not individual personal forgiveness. (Jer. 31:34)
 - b. Just as each member of Israel participates in the national guilt of the nation even though they did not individually commit those sins themselves, so too, each member of the Nation of Israel participates in the national forgiveness of sins and must hold it in good standing by extending it to their brethren.

7. Mat. 18:23-25: This astronomically large debt belongs to each individual member for the sins of national Israel going all the way back to the wilderness wanderings.

--Sold—Deut. 28:68, 32:30; Ps. 44:9-16

8. The Parable of Israel and Forgiveness of Sins (18:24-35).

a. This insurmountable debt doesn't belong to the servants because of their own individual sins (v. 24).

b. This servant and all the other servants were under this impossible debt of guilt because they are members of the Nation Israel, whom God has sold into the hands of their enemies (v. 25).

- c. They cannot do anything about this debt between the nation and God except worship Him and fall on His mercy (v.26-27).
- d. Those who participate in Israel's national forgiveness were to use it to maintain unity and peace and be brought into the nation's blessings of the Law.
- e. To not do this is to despise it, disrupting the brethren, and be returned to the nation's curses of the Law (v. 32-35).

9. This is not about how individual people participate in forgiveness of sins before God via justification by faith before the tribunal of God. That is permanent and eternally secure.

10. This is how the children of the Kingdom will participate in the Israel's NATIONAL forgiveness of sins between themselves (the brethren) that is made available through the New Covenant.

--We see a picture of this in early Acts when the believing remnant is given a foretaste of Kingdom and New Covenant blessings, including the forgiveness of sins through the ministry of Peter and the 12.