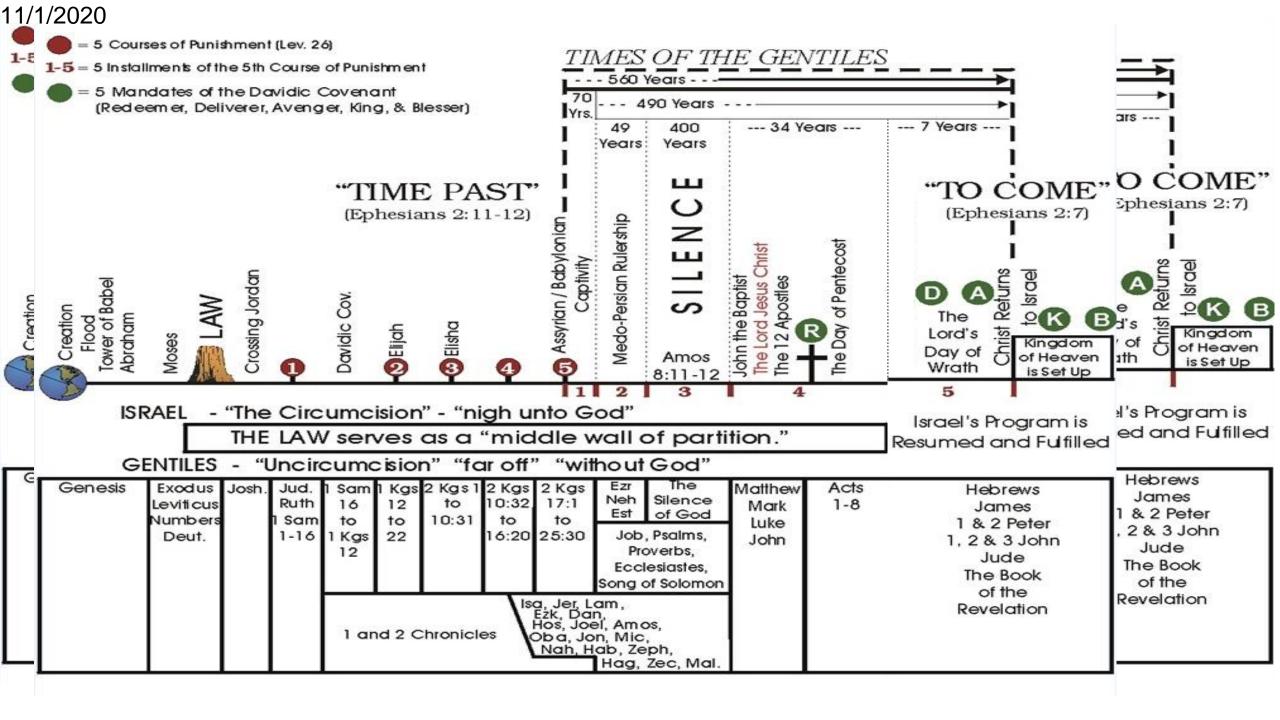
AT THE CROSS

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!

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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 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! (repeat last two lines)



Two Responses

Mat. 26:1-16

GOOD MORNING!!

God called on the members of the Believing Remnant to allow Him to produce the Kingdom Life in and through them <u>under adverse</u> conditions before they entered the Kingdom so that they would be specially equipped to lead others in serving Him in the Kingdom under <u>ideal conditions</u>.

Blessings: Blessings of Law, Kingdom, New Covenant, etc. ESPECIALLY PHYSICAL BLESSINGS.

Who better to be leaders than those who know what it was like to be abused, persecuted, treated poorly, etc? Who better to teach the value of God's things than those who had them taken away from them, who had to go without them, who only knew them looking ahead in Faith and Hope? Today in the Dispensation of Grace, we too have the great privilege of allowing God to work in and through us in the Body of Christ to produce the Pauline Grace Life under <u>adverse conditions</u> on earth so that we can be specially equipped to lead others in serving Him in the Heavenlies under <u>ideal conditions</u>.

We have a great advantage: We already have ALL SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS IN HEAVENLY PLACES IN CHRIST!! All we need to do is tap into it by Grace through Faith in reliance on God and His Word through the Apostle Paul.

- 1. Initial conflict (Mat. 26:1-5:
 - a. Jesus—I must die on the Passover (26:2).
 - b. VRS—He must NOT die on the Passover (26:5).

2. Picture of the Believing Remnant with Jn.12:1-8:

- a. Leper Simon--represents cleansing from Israel's national leprosy/sins—Jesus becomes their leprosy for them (Is. 53).
- b. Raised Lazarus—represents raised from the dead of national Israel—infused with God's riches (Jn. 11:1-44; Ezek. 37:11 -14 with 36:26-27).
- c. Mary and Martha worshipping and serving in knowledge. (Jn. 11:17-33; Jn. 12:1-7).

- 3. Mary's PRE-anointing while Jesus was alive was an act love: Worship based on her believe in the truth that Jesus would not need to be anointed after His death because His body would be raised from the dead without seeing corruption.
 - --She will be memorialized in the Tribulation and Kingdom when the Gospel of the Kingdom will have been preached to the whole world (Mal. 3:16-17).

- 4. Picture of the rebellious unbelieving nation: Chief priests, high priest, scribes, elders, and Judas (Mat. 26:1-5, 14-16).
 - a. It must not occur on the Passover (26:5)
 - b. VRS's planned with subtility to kill Jesus.