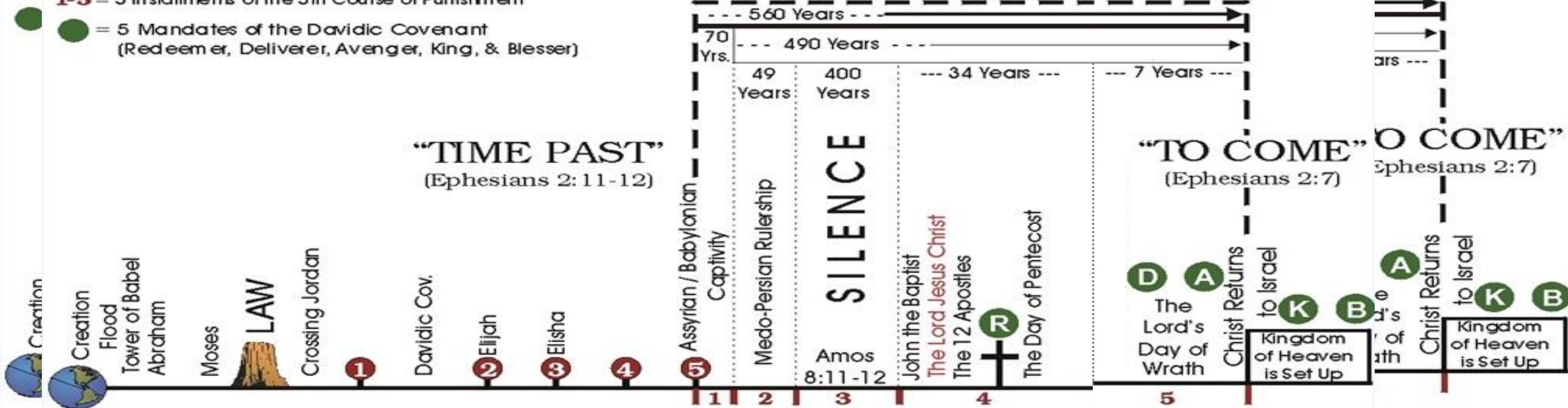


- = 5 Courses of Punishment (Lev. 26)
- 1-5 = 5 Installments of the 5th Course of Punishment
- = 5 Mandates of the Davidic Covenant (Redeemer, Deliverer, Avenger, King, & Blessor)

TIMES OF THE GENTILES



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

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 2 Kgs 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.		Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon						

Israel's Program is Resumed and Fulfilled
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Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt

Chorus:

Grace, Grace, God's Grace
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within
Grace, Grace, God's Grace
Grace that is greater than all our sin!

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Marvelous, infinite, matchless Grace!
Freely bestowed on all who believe
All who are longing to see His face
Will you this moment His Grace receive?

Chorus:

Grace, Grace, God's Grace
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within
Grace, Grace, God's Grace
Grace that is greater than all our sin!

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Chorus:

Marvelous Grace

Grace, Grace, God's Grace

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Old Testament References and Pauline Grace

(Pt. 1)

Rom. 14:11; 15:9-12

THE TRANSITION PERIOD (CIRCA 35 TO 64 AD) (Also called Acts Period)

Paul
Wrote
Romans
60 AD

Transition
Period
Over by Col. 1
Circa 64 AD



**Peter
And
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God's Prophetic Program
With the Nation of Israel:
DIMINISHING

Night of Israel's
Prophecy under
Gentile Darkness is
Far Spent. Rom. 13

Israel's
Prophetic
Program
Set Aside

God's Mystery Program
With the Body of Christ:
INCREASING

Salvation
Is nearer.
Day is at
Hand.
Rom. 13

Body of
Christ
Salvation
And Day
Are here

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1. 1 Cor. 4:1-5: Judging: In the context this is not referring to external, explicit, knowable sin or sins. It refers to trying to judge or determine the inner motives or counsels of the heart of God's ministers.
 - a. To do this would be to supplant God.
 - b. To do this to others (being **others-absorbed**) is impossible for humans because we cannot read the mind or the heart. Only God can see into the heart.
 - c. To do this to ourselves (being **self-absorbed**) is impossible as well. Our ministry will only be inhibited if we focus on the self—did I do it out of love or selfish interest? Out of faith? By the Spirit or by the flesh? To do this will bring our ministry to a standstill.
 - d. This is all fruitless—we don't really even know our own minds and hearts, let alone anyone else's!

2. All God wants us “to do” is not really “doing” anything at all! All He wants us “to do” is be **CHRIST-ABSORBED**, rejoicing without ceasing in Him. Trust everything else to God. He’ll sort it out perfectly.

3. How do we rejoice without ceasing (Phil. 4:4)? Phil. 1-9 in reverse:
 - a. We think on the good and praise-worthy things that we have learned and received, heard and seen in Pauline Grace Mystery Truth (the Faith), which brings us into the presence of God of peace through Christ (Phil. 4:8-9)
 - b. This gives us the things we should talk with God about, which gives us the peace of God, where there is no anxiety or fear and knowing that the Lord is always present (4:5-8).
 - c. And this is what empowers us to serve God by serving others in Love—confirming, advancing, defending Pauline Grace Mystery Truth-superabounding in Love (Phil. 1:5-7).

4. Here is God's promise and guarantee to all believers:
EVERY SERVICE, EVERY PRAISE, EVERY THANKSGIVING, EVERY
MOMENT OF WORSHIP, EVERYTHING GOD DOES IN AND
THROUGH US, EACH AND EVERY TIME WE REFLECT GOD'S
GLORY, it remains forever!! It is never wasted time. There is nothing
more important this world can offer. These are the true things of infinite
and eternal value.

5. So too, at the Judgment Seat of Christ what the Romans do externally —eating or not--isn't primarily the issue. Rather the issue is did those things come from hearts of faith in God and His Word?
 - a. Rom. 14:5-8 indicates it was from hearts of faith in God and His Word.
 - b. The problem was that they while operating by faith in God's Word, it was God's Word wrongly-divided (15:4-10) and lacking in love (14:15; 19; 15:1-3).
 - In Rom. 14:13-15:3, Paul addresses the latter issue that operating by Faith must be in Love, esp., the strong.
 - In Rom. 15:4-20, Paul addresses the former issue that Faith must be exercised by rightly-dividing God's Word, esp., the weak.
 - c. Faith = Rightly dividing God's word + Love. (Gal. 5:6)

6. Rom. 14:11 with Is. 45:23: Instead of using their Old Testaments to go back to the Law, Paul gives them something else to do with the OT by reminding them that the ultimate goal of God's Prophetic Program with Israel is that Israel and the nations would worship and praise God together:
 - a. v. 17—Israel's everlasting salvation first (Rom. 11:26).
 - a. v. 18—LORD God the judge is the incomparable Creator.
 - b. v. 20—Would first offer Israel salvation from Gentile captivity.
 - c. v. 22—Then He would offer the nations salvation with Israel and through her rise.
 - d. v. 23—What is certain is that everyone will bow to Him—while starting with Israel it will extend out to the Gentiles as well. Gentiles are invited to do it willingly but if not they will do it unwillingly—destroy enemies, save friends.

7. Paul's point is that while God's Prophetic Program has been set aside and that Israel's national salvation whereby Gentiles would worship God with Israel and through her rise has been postponed until Christ's 2nd Coming (Rom. 11), they can participate in this ultimate goal right now, today in the Disp. of Grace, as Jews and Gentiles saved without distinction to worship God together apart from Israel and through her fall via Paul's apostleship. (Rom. 3:9, 22; 10:12; 11:32; Gal. 3:28; Eph. 2:11-13)

8. A step further. In Is. 45:23, God called on the Gentiles to release the Jews from captivity. Perhaps here Paul is calling on the Jews to release the Gentiles from the burden of the Law that even they could not keep by recognizing that God is fully accepting all ungodly sinners on enemy status before Him without distinction, Jew and Gentile alike, apart from Israel AND the Mosaic Law thru PGMT that reveals the Good News of the Death and Resurrection of Christ for all—as Peter acknowledged in Acts 15:9-11.

9. To have been given a standing before the King is a great honor, not something to be feared. The King we stand before is the One who died and rose and revived to Lordship over all creation and Headship over the Body of Christ (Eph. 1:22-23).
10. Christ died, rose and revived as eternal God-Man, exercising all His prerogatives and rights as Lord overall:
 - a. Those who have willingly subjected themselves to Him through faith (ie., Jews and Gentiles) are brought into His Glory—Occurs at rapture/Judgment Seat of Christ.
 - b. Those who were unwilling to be subjected to Him through faith (unbelievers) will experience forced submission to Him and ultimately cast into the Lake of Fire.
 - c. Put together, Is. 45:23 will be fulfilled and all will bow down and confess to God. What God will force the unbelieving world to do in the future is now occurring willingly by believing Jews and Gentiles.

HEAVEN CAME DOWN

Oh what a wonderful, wonderful day

Day I will never forget

After I'd wandered in darkness away

Jesus my Savior I met

O what a tender, compassionate friend

He met the need of my heart

Shadows dispelling, with joy I am telling

He made all the darkness depart!

HEAVEN CAME DOWN

Chorus:

*Heaven came down and glory filled my soul
When at the cross the Savior made me whole
My sins were washed away
And my night was turned to day
Heaven came down and glory filled my soul*

HEAVEN CAME DOWN

Now I've a hope that will surely endure
After the passing of time
I have a future in Heaven for sure
There in His presence sublime
And it's because of that wonderful day
When at the cross I believed
Riches eternal and blessings supernal
From His precious hand I received

HEAVEN CAME DOWN

Chorus:

*Heaven came down and glory filled my soul
When at the cross the Savior made me whole
My sins were washed away
And my night was turned to day
Heaven came down and glory filled my soul
(repeat chorus then last line)*