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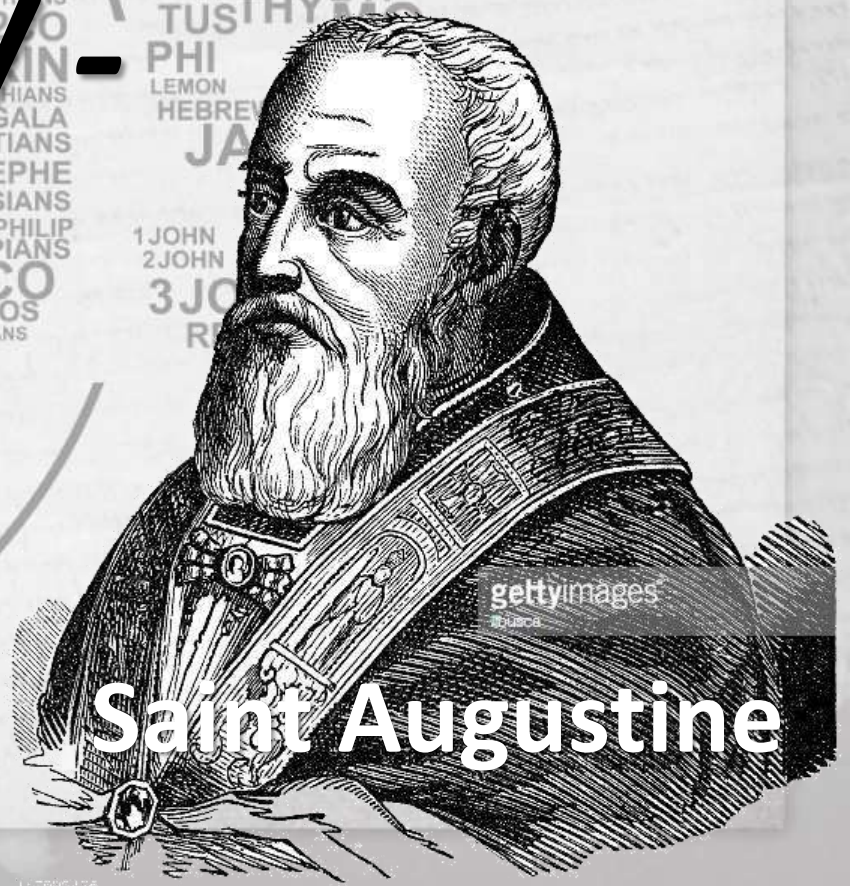
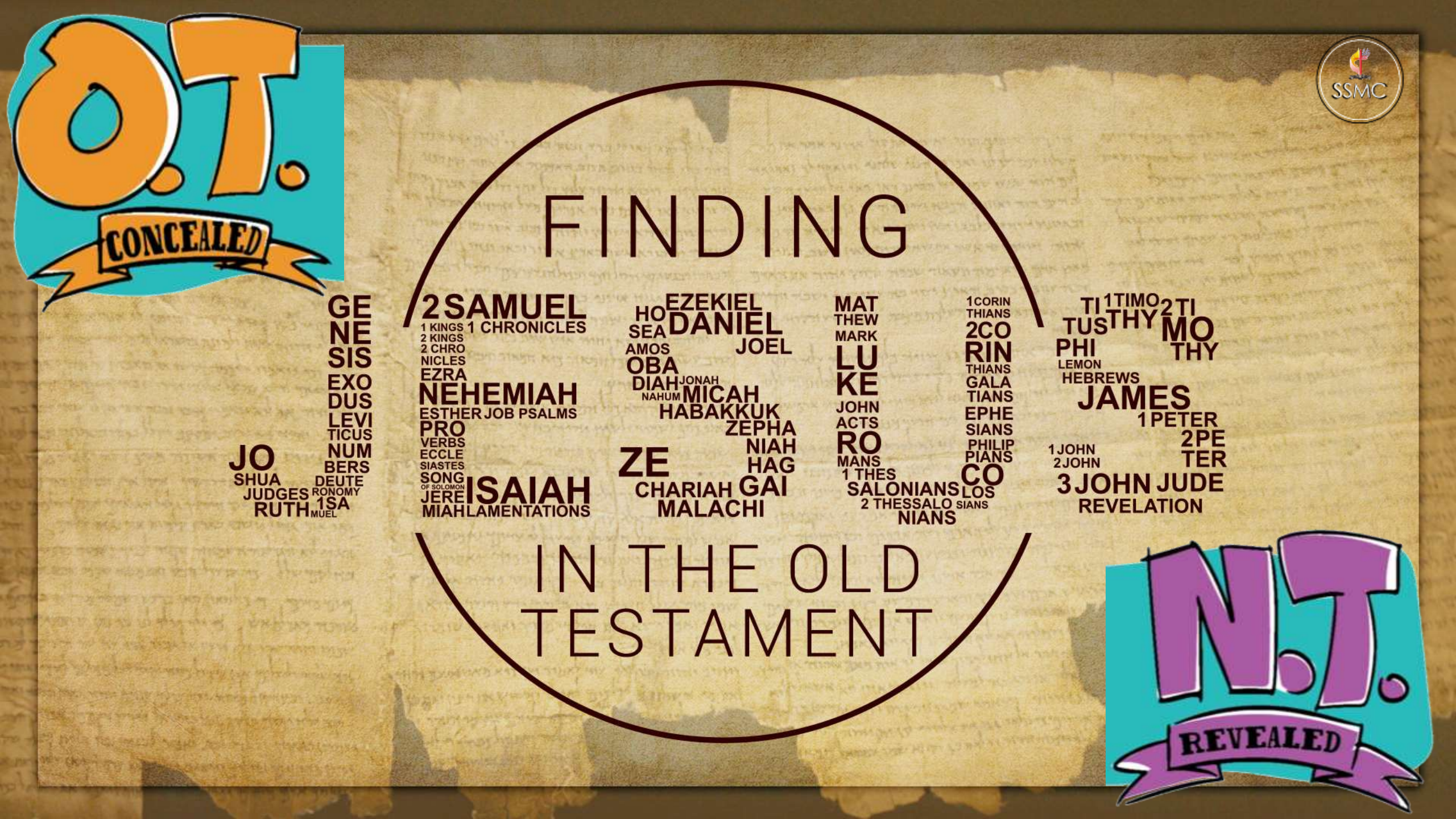
“The NEW is in the OLD - CONCEALED; the OLD is in the NEW - REVEALED.”

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GENESIS
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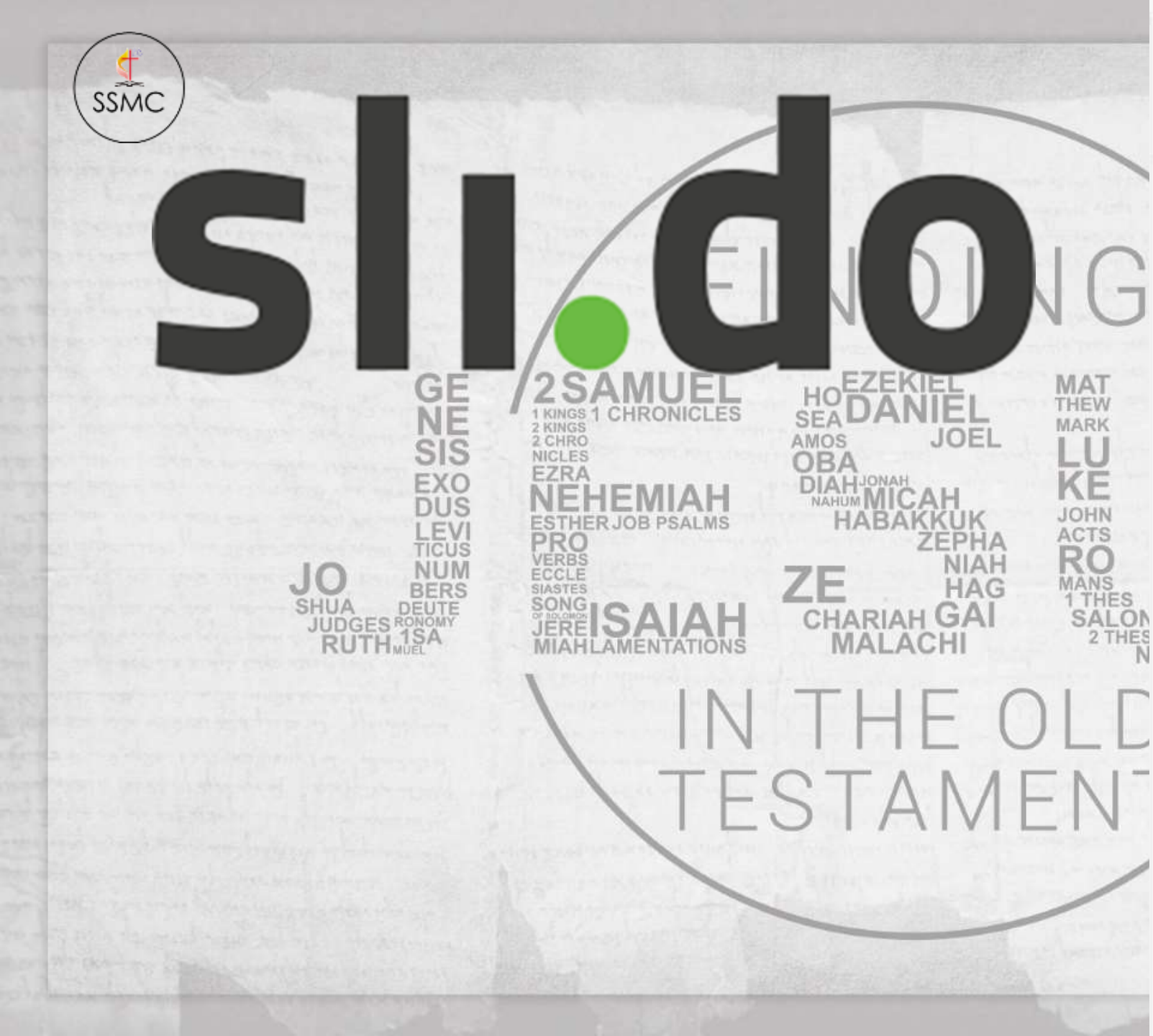

What are some Old Testament people / events that you possibly have questions about. From the choices below please choose your TOP TWO QUESTIONS.

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1. Why is the God of the Old Testament so different from the God of the New Testament.?
22%

2. Was God showing Favouritism in choosing the nation of Israel as His special nation and the Jews as His special people ?
31%

3. An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth (Exo 21:24). How can a good God even suggest that to his people?
20%

4. How can a good God thru Samuel order Saul to kill all the Amalekite men, women, children and even animals (1 Sam 15:3)? Is that not being so cruel and extreme.
34%

5. Since God knows everything, why did He create Adam and Eve knowing they will disobey Him?
40%

6. Was God over-reacting in judging Achan so severely over his 'small act' of greed & covetousness?
5%

7. King David was an adulterer & murderer and yet God called him a man after his own heart (1 Sam 13:14). How can this be so?
27%

8. No questions come to mind regarding the Old Testament.
8%

Q5: Since God knows everything, why did He create Adam and Eve knowing they will disobey Him?

All Knowing God …. Omniscient…

↳Isa 46:9-10; 1 Jn 3:20

From a purely 'human' angle …

Questions …

- **why waste time ?**
- **why 'toy' with man ?**

Q5: Since God knows everything, why did He create Adam and Eve knowing they will disobey Him?

More Basic Question …

? Why Did God Create at all ?

? Why Did God Create Man ?

? Why Did God Create Man In His Image ?

Answer …

✓For Companionship ….

✓For Fellowship….

✓For Relationship….

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✓ For TRUE & REAL Fellowship….

✓ For TRUE & REAL Relationship….

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God's Decision / Choice To ….

- CREATE Man ….in His image…
  - CREATE Man with a FREE WILL …
    - Man who will choose to Worship Him…
      - Take The RISK ….
        - Ultimately It Will Turn Out RIGHT….

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1 Sam 15:2-3

This is what the Lord Almighty says: 'I will punish the Amalekites for what they did to Israel when they waylaid them as they came up from Egypt.

Now go, attack the Amalekites and totally destroy everything that belongs to them. Do not spare them; put to death men and women, children and infants, cattle and sheep, camels and donkeys.'"

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1. **God Knows … Isa 46:10**

   Cf Gen 15:13-16 The Lord to Abram …

   Then the Lord said to him, "Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own, and they will be enslaved and mistreated four hundred years…. In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure."

   NB: God already gave Amorites 400yrs to repent ….

   NB: Nineveh response to Jonah & then Nahum's prophecy…

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The Canaanites were in general –

Cruel, Immoral, Idolatrous … (Lev 18)

God Knew – Deut 7:1-6, 16

- ***Deut 7:16 You must destroy all the peoples the Lord your God gives over to you. Do not look on them with pity and do not serve their gods,***

for that will be a snare to you.

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1. **God Knows … Isa 46:10**
2. **God is NOT man :**

   God is Creator – Man is Created…

   Cannot ‘judge’ God by man’s standards

   Isa 55:8-9
3. **God is God …**

   – Good, Loving, Gracious, Merciful, Powerful….

   - RIGHTEOUS & HOLY ….

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Post-Note:

Because Saul DID NOT fully obey God ….

- **David was troubled by the Amalekites**
  - **1 Sam 30**
- **In book of Esther**
  - **Haman was an Agagite**
  - **an Amalekite Esther 3:1**

The God of the Old Testament and the God of the New Testament

The God of the Old Testament …

- **Fierce…**
- **Violent ….**
- **Vengeful…**
- **Judgmental…**

The God of the New Testament …

- **Loving…**
- **Forgiving…**
- **Merciful…**
- **Gracious…**

The God of the Old Testament and the God of the New Testament…

The God of the Old Testament …

Ezek 33:11 Say to them, 'As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign Lord , I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live."

The God of the New Testament …

1 Tim 2:3-4 This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

2 Peter 3: 9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

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From Genesis to Revelation….

From Creation to Consummation …

ALL ONE Continuous STORY…

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1. Creation
2. Fall
3. Flood
4. Nations
5. 4,000 years
6. Ur
7. Persian Gulf
8. “Salt”
9. Sarah
10. Abraham
11. Lot
12. Terah
13. Tigris-Euphrates
14. Haran – Terah dies
15. Sea of Galilee
16. River Jordan
17. Dead Sea
18. Mediterranean Sea
19. Israel
20. Ishmael-Isaac
21. Esau-Jacob
22. Joseph-Egypt
23. Jews-Egypt
24. 400yrs-Bondage
25. Moses
26. “Let my people go”
27. “No”
28. Ten Plagues
29. Passover
30. Red Sea
31. Mount Sinai
32. Law
33. Tabernacle
34. Levites & Priests
35. Offerings & Feasts
36. Counting the Faces

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37. Kadesh-Oasis
38. Twelve Spies
39. Wanders-Dies
40. Moab
41. Moses
42. Second Law
43. Dies
44. Joshua
45. Jordan
46. Jericho
47. Divide-Conquer
48. South-North
49. Divide-Settle
50. Twelve Tribes
51. Judges – 400 yrs
52. Deborah
53. Gideon
54. Samson
55. "Everyone did what was right in their own eyes" except
56. Ruth and
57. Samuel
58. United Kingdom 120yrs
59. Saul – 'No Heart'
60. David – 'Whole Heart'
61. Solomon – 'Half-Heart'
62. Divided Kingdom 400 yrs
63. North-South
64. Israel-Judah
65. 19-20

Walk Through The Old Testament - Review

66. 0-8
67. Prophets speak : ‘Shape up or Ship Out’
68. Assyria – Israel – Scatter
69. Babylon-Judah – Exile
70. 70 years
71. Persia – Judah-Return
72. Zerubbabel – Temple
73. Esther – Queen
74. Ezra – People
75. Nehemiah-Walls
76. 400 years Silence
77. Christ

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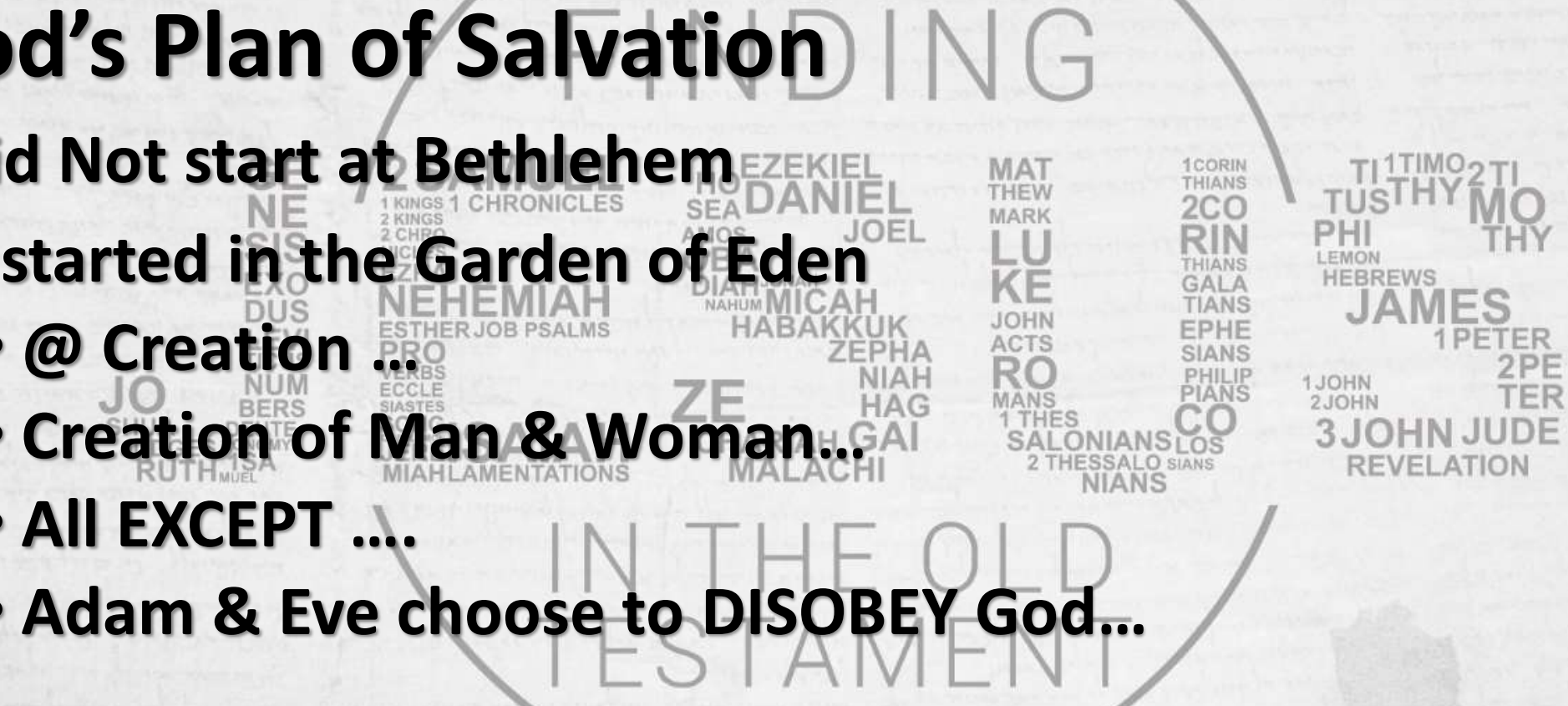

God’s Plan of Salvation

- **Did Not start at Bethlehem**
- **It started in the Garden of Eden**
  - **@ Creation …**
  - **Creation of Man & Woman…**
  - **All EXCEPT ….**
  - **Adam & Eve choose to DISOBEY God…**

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God’s Plan of Salvation

Gen 3:15 **God in judging the ‘serpent’….**

- ***“And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and***
- ***between your offspring and hers (descendant; seed) ;***
- ***he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."***

1st Gospel message…

There will be a ‘hostility, war’…

God will ultimately WIN…

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God’s Plan of Salvation

The “seed of the woman” Vs the “seed of the serpent”

Abel, Enoch,
Noah, Abraham,
Isaac, Jacob,
Joseph, Moses,
Joshua, Ruth,
David ….
Jesus Christ.

Cain…
Esau…
Ishmael…
Herod…
Judas…

The struggle continues to this present hour.

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God’s Plan of Salvation

Gen 3:15 **God judging the ‘serpent’**

- ***Temporary Defeat : ‘you will strike his heel’***
  - ***Temporary set-backs…***
  - ***Jesus on the cross….***
  - ***Nail thru his ?’heel’…***
- ***Ultimate Victory : ‘he will crush your head’***
  - ***Decisive …. Complete…***
  - ***Already defeated …***

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John the Baptist in John 1:29 declared

"Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

Again in John 1:36 *"Look, the Lamb of God!"*

Jesus as the Lamb of God….

Going back 1500 years ….

- **To Egypt…**
- **Jews in captivity as slaves for about 400 yrs… Exo 1**
- **The people cried out to God …. Exo 3:7…**
- **God raised up Moses as ‘deliverer’**

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Moses confronted Pharaoh ….

Pharaoh refused ….

- **First Nine Plagues ….**
- **10th Plague….**

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10th Plague…. Death of the 1st born
Jews had to ….

- **1yr old Male Lamb**
- **Without blemish…**
- **Slain at ‘twilight’ …**
- **Blood painted on the doorframe…**
- **Roasted …**
- **With Bitter Herbs & Unleaven bread…**
- **No bone broken…**
- **Totally consumed…**
- **Curfew…. Silence….**
- **Eaten in haste ….**

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Ex 12:12-13 ***"On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn — both men and animals — and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord . The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. …***

- **Pharaoh’s family was not spared…**
- **Pharaoh finally relented ….**

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Passover Lamb ….

- Without Blemish
- Observed for 4 days
- Blood shed
- Body broken
- Killed at ‘twilight’
- Eaten in haste
- No bones broken

Jesus as our Passover Lamb…

- Sinless, No defect (1 Pet 1:19, Heb 4:15)
- Observed & tested…
- Blood shed (Lk 22:20, 1 Cor 11:25)
- Body broken (Lk 22:19, 1 Cor 11:24)
- Died at ‘twilight’
- Tried, Judged & Crucified in haste
- No bones broken
- On Passover week (Mk 14:12)

PASSOVER	OT Passover	NT Passover
1. Instructions To Sacrifice	Take a Lamb and kill it (Ex 12,3,6)	Behold the lamb of God (Jn 1:29)
2. Condition Of Sacrifice	Lamb without blemish (Ex 12:5)	Lamb without blemish (1 Pet 1:19)
3. Reason For Sacrifice	I will execute judgment (Ex 12:12)	Appt. for man to die once…judgment (Heb 9:27)
4. Application Of Sacrifice	Everyman his own lamb (Ex 12:3)	There is salvation in no other name (Act 4:12)
5. Result Of Sacrifice	The Lord will pass over (Ex 12:23)	No condemnation for those…(Rom 8:1)

Walk Thru The Old Testamemt

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QUESTION:

Is JESUS CHRIST our PASSOVER LAMB ?

Jesus as our Passover Lamb…

1 Cor 11:24-26

"This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

"This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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For Israel as a Nation…
For the Jews as a People…
God gave the…

- **Law on Mt Sinai…**
- **Sacrifices…**
  - **Priests & Levites**
- **Tabernacle …**
  - **Ark of the Covenant**
- **Temple…**

1. **SIN Offering**
2. **TRESPASS Offering**
3. **BURNT Offering**
4. **GRAIN Offering**
5. **PEACE Offering**

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Old Testament Sacrifices…
- Limited ….
- Blood of animals…
- Repeatedly….

Heb 9:6-7

…the priests entered regularly into the outer room to carry on their ministry.
But only the high priest entered the inner room, and that only once a year, and never without blood, which he offered for himself and for the sins the people had committed in ignorance….

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Old Testament Sacrifices…

- Limited ….
- Blood of animals…
- Repeatedly….

Heb 10:1-4

The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming — not the realities themselves. For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship. … But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins, because it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

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Old Testament Sacrifices…
- Limited ….
- Blood of animals…
- Repeatedly….

Col 2:17 “These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ.”

Christ’s Sacrifice…

Heb 9:12 Christ …entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, having obtained eternal redemption….

Heb 9:15 “… Christ is the mediator of a new covenant,…”

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Heb 10:19-22

19 Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus,

20 by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body,

21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

22 let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

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- ***Genesis – He is the 'seed' of the woman***
- ***Exodus – He is the Passover Lamb of God without blemish***
- ***Leviticus – He is our High Priest***
- ***Numbers – He is the one who is lifted up in the wilderness of sin***
- ***Deuteronomy – He is the prophet like Moses***
- ***Joshua – He is the Captain of the Army of the Lord***
- ***Judges – He is God's appointed deliverer***
- ***Ruth – He is our kinsman redeemer***
- ***1 Samuel – He is God, rejected as the king***
- ***2 Samuel – He is the heir of David's throne***

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- ***1 Kings – He is the one who is greater than Solomon***
- ***2 Kings – He is the one like Elijah, not accepted in his own country***
- ***1 Chronicles – He is the "son of David"***
- ***2 Chronicles – He is the only perfect king who reigns eternally***
- ***Ezra – He is the Priest proclaiming freedom***
- ***Nehemiah – He is the rebuilder***
- ***Esther – He is our providential protector***
- ***Job – He is our advocate to plead our case to God***
- ***Psalm – He is our song in the morning and in the night***
- ***Proverbs – He is the wisdom of God, and the founder of the Earth***

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- ***Ecclesiastes – He is the one who will bring meaning to life***
- ***Song of Solomon – He is the Author of true love***
- ***Isaiah – He is the virgin-born suffering servant***
- ***Jeremiah – He is the branch and weeping Messiah***
- ***Lamentations – He assumes God's wrath for us***
- ***Ezekiel – He is the Son of Man***
- ***Daniel – The Stranger in the fire with us***
- ***Hosea – He is the faithful redeeming husband***
- ***Joel – He is sending His Spirit to his people.***
- ***Amos – He Delivers justice to the oppressed***
- ***Obadiah – He is the Deliverer and Judge***

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- ***Jonah – He like Jonah - 3 days in the fish***
- ***Micah – He is the blessing of Bethlehem***
- ***Nahum – He is the stronghold in the day of wrath***
- ***Habakkuk – He is the justifier of those who live by faith***
- ***Zephaniah – He is the channel through whom all nations can worship***
- ***Haggai – He is the shaker of heaven and earth***
- ***Zechariah – He is the one betrayed for 30 pieces of silver***
- ***Malachi – He is the Son of righteousness***

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‘The Old Testament points forward in time, preparing God’s people for the work of Christ in the New Testament’

‘The key to understanding the New Testament in its fullest is to see in it the fulfillment of those things that were revealed in the background of the Old Testament.’

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APPLICATION :

1 Cor 15:45-49

- ***"The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. The spiritual did not come first, but the natural, and after that the spiritual. The first man was of the dust of the earth, the second man from heaven.***
- ***As was the earthly man, so are those who are of the earth; and as is the man from heaven, so also are those who are of heaven.***
- ***And just as we have borne the likeness of the earthly man, so shall we[f] bear the likeness of the man from heaven.***

APPLICATION :

Rom 5:12-19

- ***Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned— …***
- ***But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!***
- ***Again, the gift of God is not like the result of the one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification.***

APPLICATION :

Rom 5:12-19

- ***For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.***
- ***Consequently, just as the result of one trespass was condemnation for all men, so also the result of one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men.***
- ***For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.***

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