

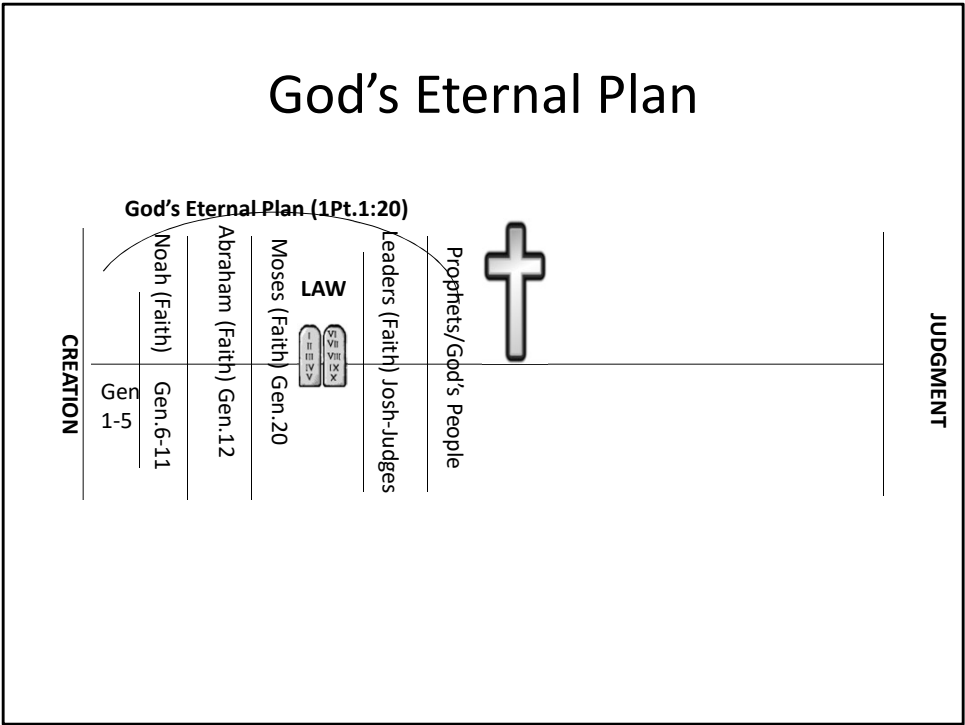
# The Eternal Plan

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Lesson #10

We have been looking at the or God's Eternal Plan.

A model that we have been using aids us in our quest to fully see God's Eternal Plan.



(Review it).

By the time we arrive at the “Divided Kingdom” we 19 dynasties in the north rise and fall. As a matter of fact, Israel falls to Assyria in 722 B.C. A small remanent of Jews were left behind, pagans began to infiltrate Samaria and the Jews and pagans married giving us the Samaritans.

The Southern kingdom consisted of 14 dynasties. Some good kings and others were wicked. By the time we come to the final chapters of Second Kings, we begin to see things unravel; especially in 2Kings 21. (Let’s read 2Kings 21:1-15). God is patient, but even God’s patience can be exhausted!

The spiritual condition in the south was horrible (2Chron.36:15-16 read). As a result of this decitent and deplorable wickedness, Judah would eventually be taken into captivity by the Babylonians. This leads to our next period (ns).

## The Babylonian Captivity

- Primary sources are the books of Ezekiel and Daniel (Post Exile Prophets)
- Daniel would taken captive around 605 BC (Dan.1:1; 2Chron.36:5-8)
- Ezekiel was taken into captivity 597 BC (2Chron.36:9-10)
- Jerusalem would fall in 586 BC

(Read all bullets).

(Begin reading notes at the bottom of page 62-65).

## God's Plan to Redeem Man

- Daniel 2:31-45 prophecy of the Church
- Daniel 9:25-26 prophecy of Jesus' death

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In this period of time were going to be looking at ...

## The Period of the Restoration of the Jews

- Until 539 BC the Jews were in Babylonian captivity
- In 539 BC, Cyrus, King of Persia conquered the Babylonians and allowed the Jews to return home (Ezra 1:1-4)
- The defeat was foretold by the prophet Jeremiah (Jer.25:12)

## The Jews Return Home

- First Return was 538/537 BC led by Zerrubbabel to rebuild the temple (Ezra 1-6)
- Jews who remained in Medo-Persia were subjugated to a plot having them annihilated. These events are seen in the book of Esther
- Ezra led a second group to Jerusalem in 458 BC to enforce the laws of God (Ezra 7-10)
- Nehemiah led a group back to the homeland in 444 BC to rebuild the walls (Neh.6:15)

## God's Plan to Redeem Man

- Key passages:
- Malachi 4:5-6
- Zechariah 3:8; Isa.11:1-5