

Southeast Georgia SCHOOL OF THE BIBLE

OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY

please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you. And now please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your fathers. Joseph wept when they spoke to him, and said, "Behold, we are your servants."

Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for I am in the place of God? As for you, you have not grieved me, but God meant it for good to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear, for I will provide for you and your families. Thus he comforted them and said to them.

Joseph remained in Egypt, he and his sons. Joseph lived 110 years. And the children of the third generation also were born to him.

Israel Increases Greatly in Egypt

These are the names of the sons of Israel who came to Egypt with Jacob, each with his household: ¹Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, ²Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin, ³Dan and Naphtali, Gad and Asher. ⁴All the descendants of Jacob were seventy persons; Joseph was already in Egypt. ⁵Then Joseph died, and all his brothers and all that generation died. ⁶But the people of Israel were fruitful and increased greatly; they multiplied and grew exceedingly strong, so that the land was filled with them.

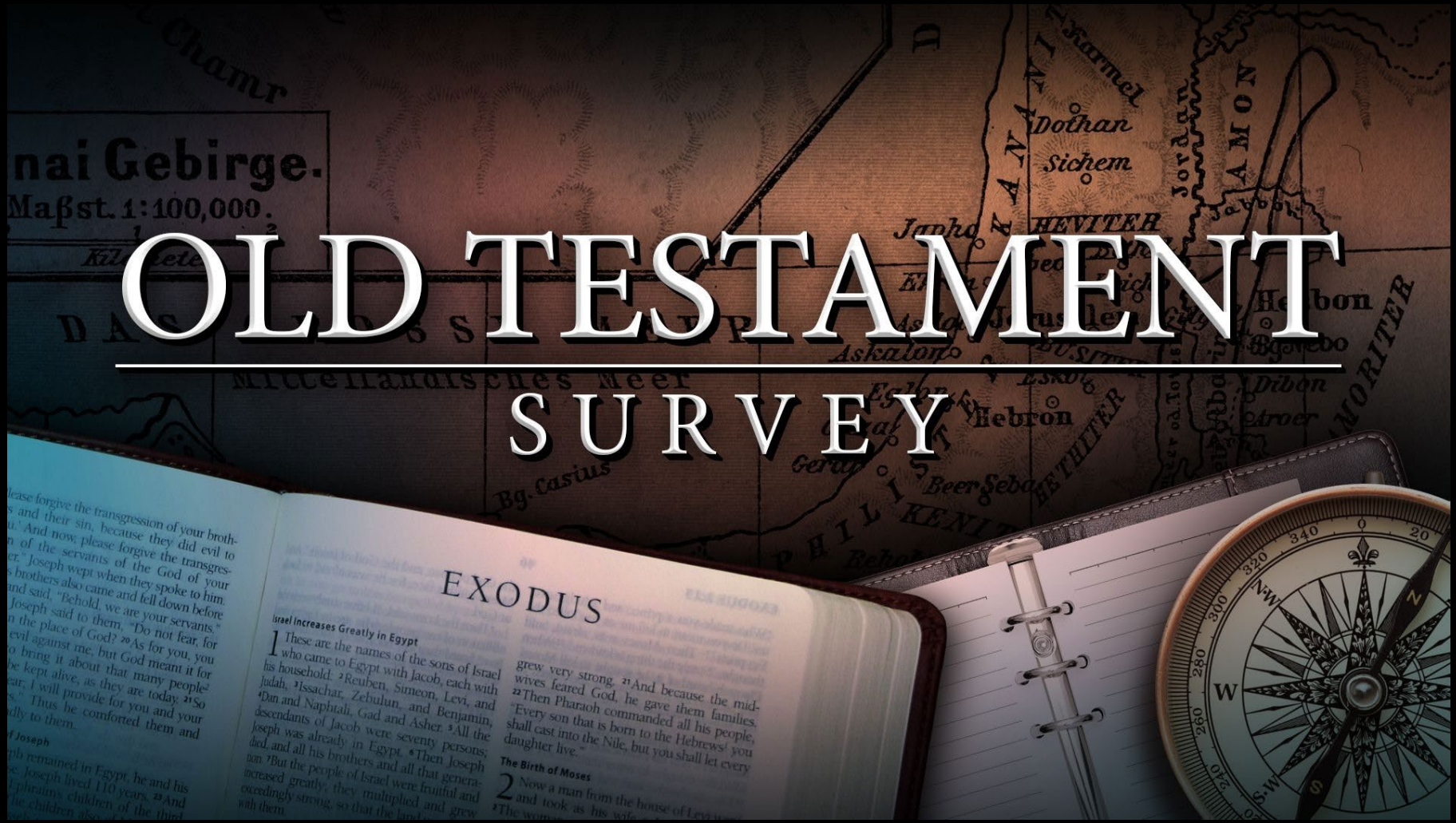
EXODUS

grew very strong. ²¹And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. ²²Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every son that is born to the Hebrews you shall cast into the Nile, but you shall let every daughter live."

The Birth of Moses

Now a man from the house of Levi, and took as his wife a woman of the house of Levi.

The woman conceived and bore a son, and she hid him for three months.



Introduction to the Old Testament

The Bible... A Book of Books

- Old Testament... 39 Books... (5-12-5-5-12)
 - 5 Books of Moses...The Law... The Torah...The Pentateuch
 - 12 Books of History... Joshua – Esther
 - 5 Books of Poetry... Job – Song of Solomon
 - 5 Major Prophets... Isaiah – Daniel
 - 12 Minor Prophets... Hosea – Malachi
- New Testament... 27 Books
 - Gospels (4)
 - Acts (1)... History
 - Paul's Epistles (14)
 - General Epistles (7)
 - James
 - 1st and 2nd Peter
 - 1st , 2nd , 3rd John
 - Jude
 - Revelation (1)... Prophecy

God gave us a BOOK of BOOKS...
-A LIBRARY of BOOKS-

NOT JUST...

Topics

Texts

Chapters

Verses

Words

They are all there, but He gave them to
us in BOOKS!

The Books of the Bible

Old Testament

GENESIS
EXODUS
LEVITICUS
NUMBERS
DEUTERONOMY

LAW

JOSHUA

JUDGES

RUTH

1 SAMUEL

2 SAMUEL

1 KINGS

2 KINGS

1 CHRONICLES

2 CHRONICLES

EZRA

NEHEMIAH

ESTHER

HISTORY

JOB

PSALMS

PROVERBS

ECCLESIASTES

SONG of SOLOMON

POETRY

ISAIAH

JEREMIAH

LAMENTATIONS

EZEKIEL

DANIEL

HOSEA

JOEL

AMOS

OBADIAH

JONAH

MICAH

NAHUM

HABAKKUK

ZEPHANIAH

HAGGAI

ZECHARIAH

MALACHI

New Testament

MATTHEW

MARK

LUKE

JOHN

GOSPELS

MAJOR PROPHETS

MINOR PROPHETS

ACTS

1 CORINTHIANS

2 CORINTHIANS

GALATIANS

EPHESIANS

PHILIPPIANS

COLOSSIANS

1 THESSALONIANS

2 THESSALONIANS

1 TIMOTHY

2 TIMOTHY

TITUS

PHILEMON

PAUL'S EPISTLES

HEBREWS

JAMES

1 PETER

2 PETER

1 JOHN

2 JOHN

3 JOHN

JUDE

REVELATION

GENERAL EPISTLES

God gave us the Bible...

-In TIME and SPACE-

WHEN ...and... WHERE

Chapters & Verses & Words – Yes

But in TEXTS & CONTEXTS

Understanding TIME & SPACE (place) will
UNLOCK the Bible for you...

The Bible has both...

HISTORY (when) & GEOGRAPHY (where)

Divisions of Old Testament Books

LAW

- Genesis
- Exodus
- Leviticus
- Numbers
- Deuteronomy

The Torah

The Law

**The Law of
Moses**

*All 5 books
written by Moses*

HISTORY

- Joshua
- Judges
- Ruth
- 1 Samuel
- 2 Samuel
- 1 Kings
- 2 Kings
- 1 Chronicles
- 2 Chronicles
- Ezra
- Nehemiah
- Esther

POETRY

- Job
- Psalms
- Proverbs
- Ecclesiastes
- Song of Solomon

PROPHETS

MAJOR

- Isaiah
- Jeremiah
- Lamentations
- Ezekiel
- Daniel

MINOR

- Hosea
- Joel
- Amos
- Obadiah
- Jonah
- Micah
- Nahum
- Habakkuk
- Zephaniah
- Haggai
- Zechariah
- Malachi



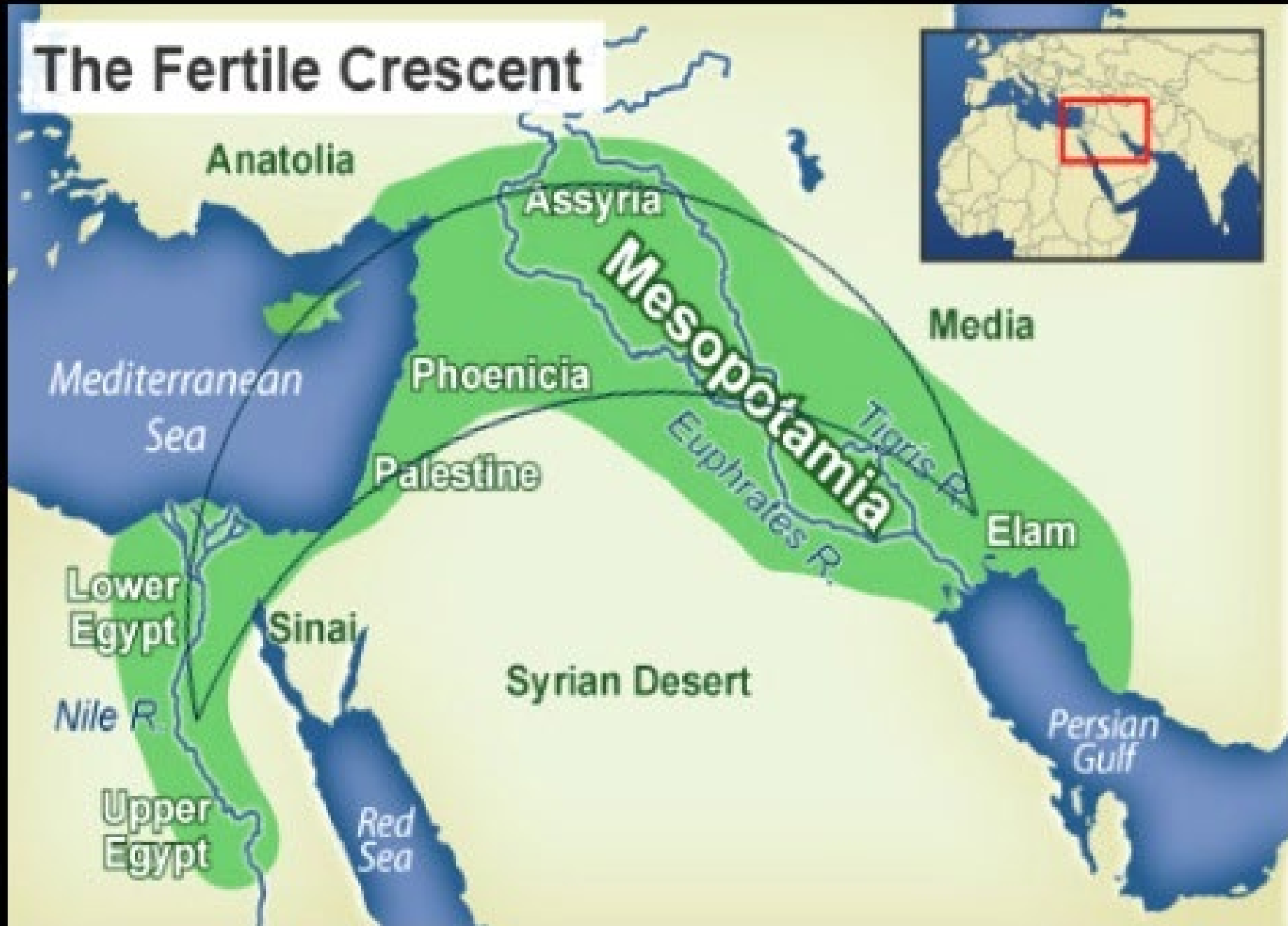
One of the Most Ignored Parts of Your Bible



The Fertile Crescent



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Old “Testament”

- The word means “covenant,” referring to an agreement between men or between God and men.
- As far as the Bible is concerned, the Old Testament is the record of the Old Covenant, the covenant God made with the Jews at Mt. Sinai; and the New Testament is the record of the New Covenant that Christ made through His blood.

I. The Revelation of the Old Testament Scriptures

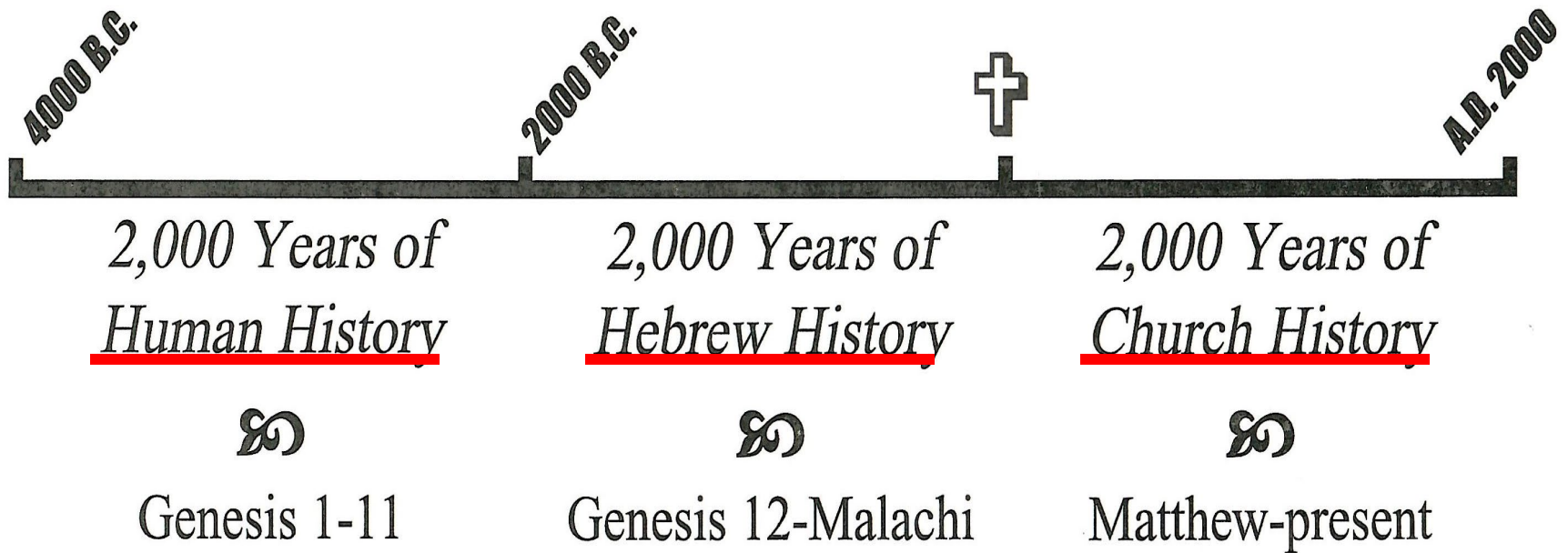
A. Its Purpose

- The Bible is the written revelation of God.
- It is not merely about people and events but about the true and living God Himself.

B. Its Overview

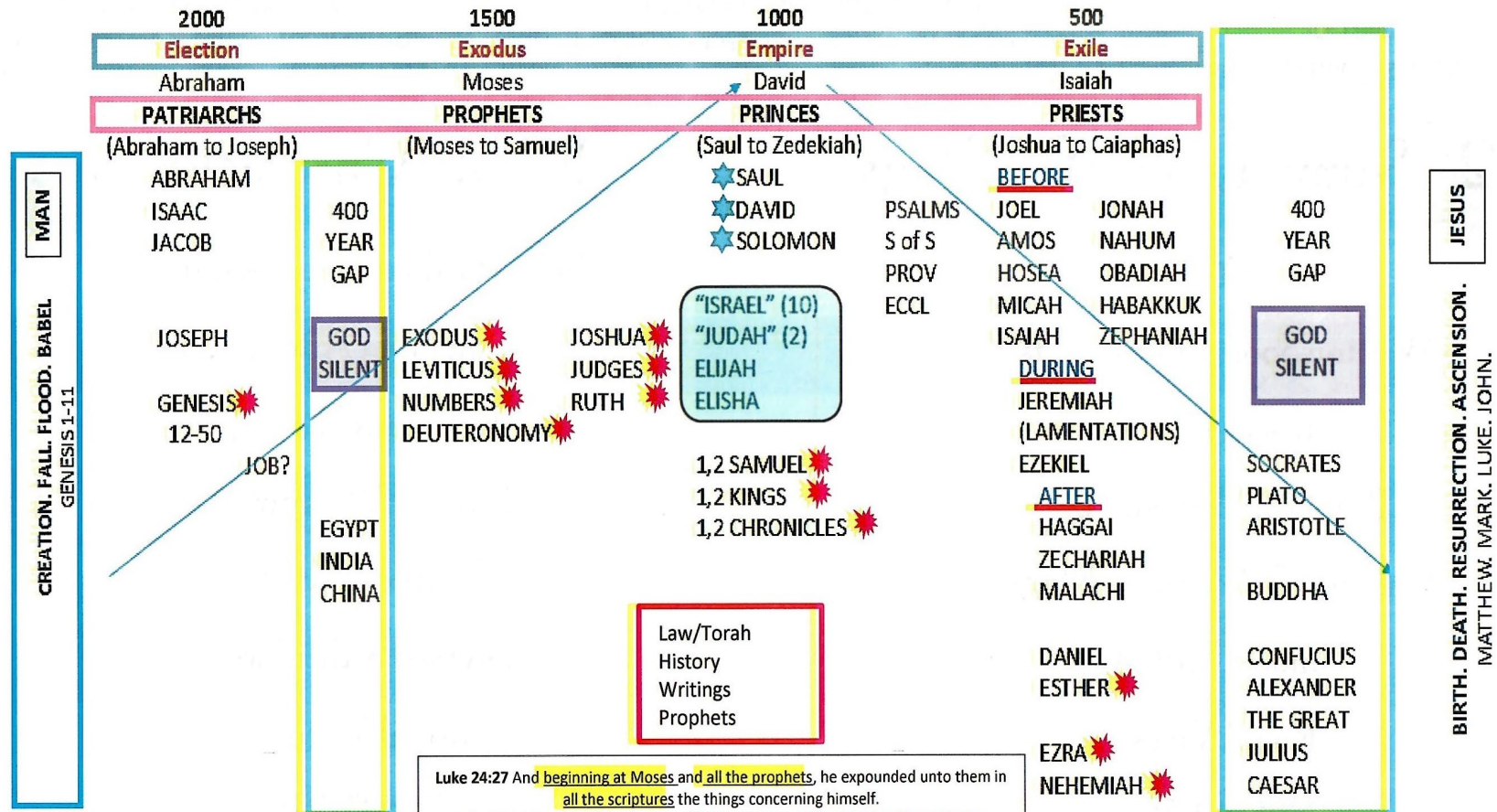
- Written by over 30 human authors during a period of some 1,200 years.
- Makes up approx. 2/3 of the Bible.
- Covers 4,000 years of history
- Contains more than 300 specific prophecies of Jesus Christ.

AN OUTLINE OF 6,000 YEARS OF HISTORY



OLD TESTAMENT OVERVIEW

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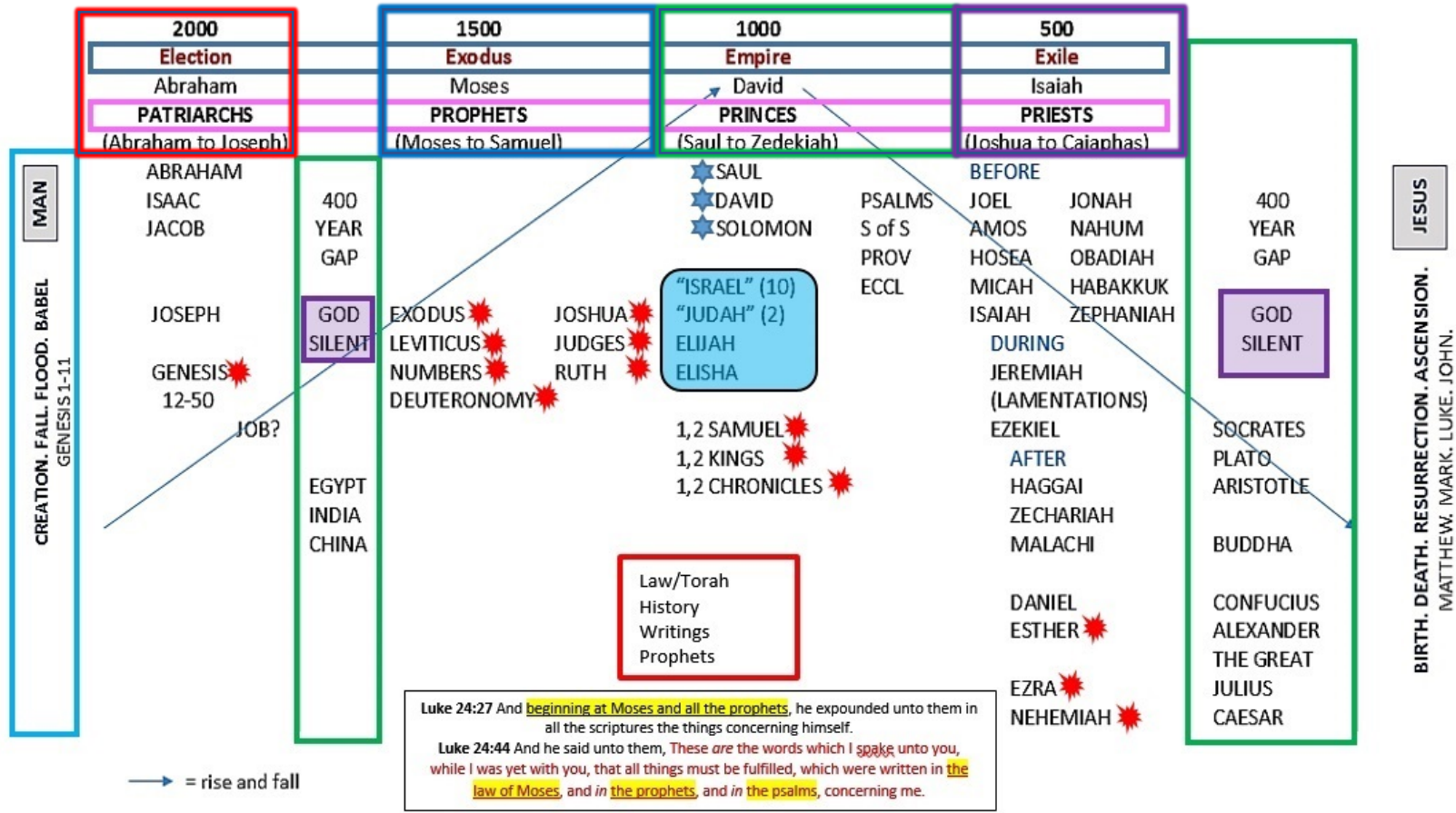
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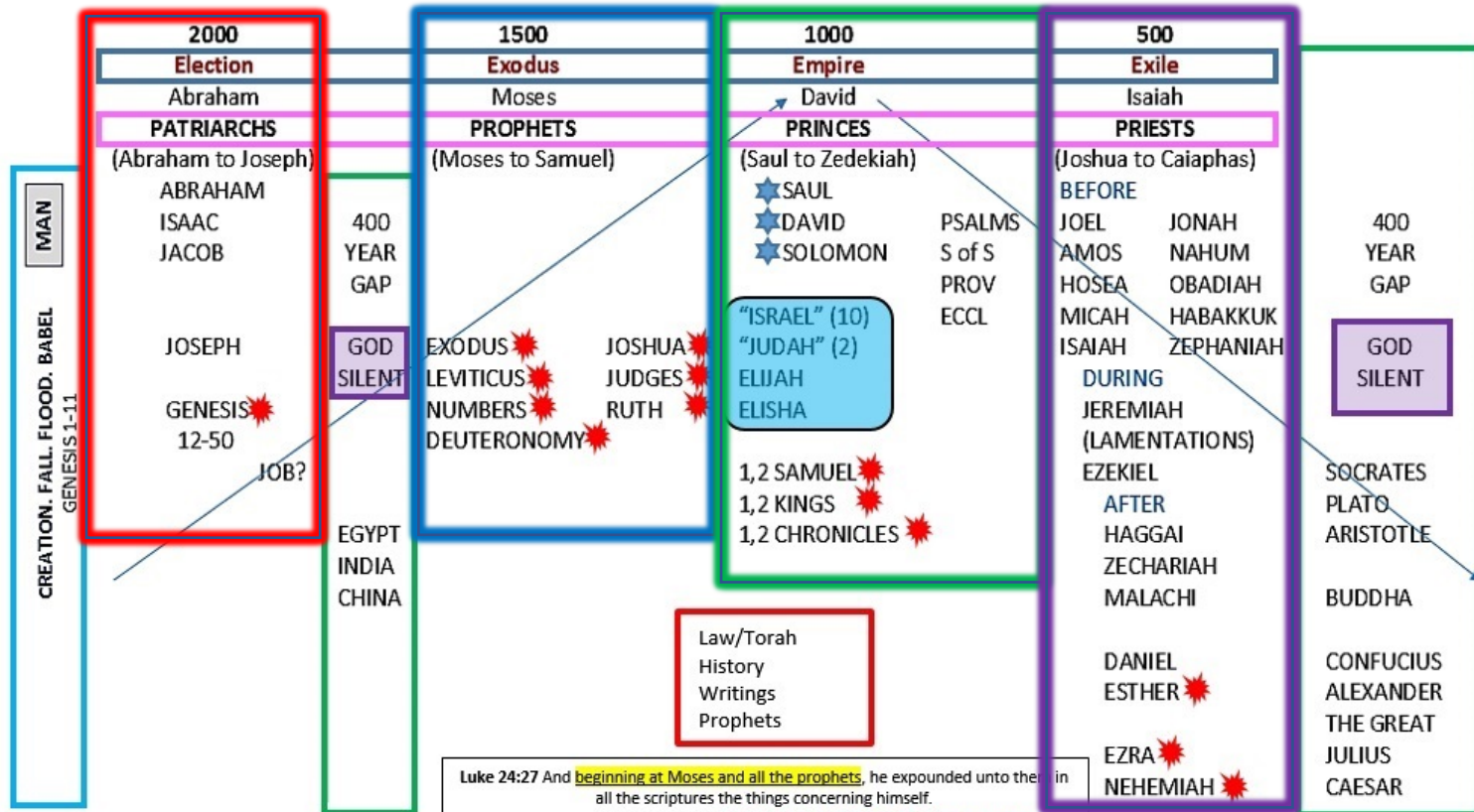
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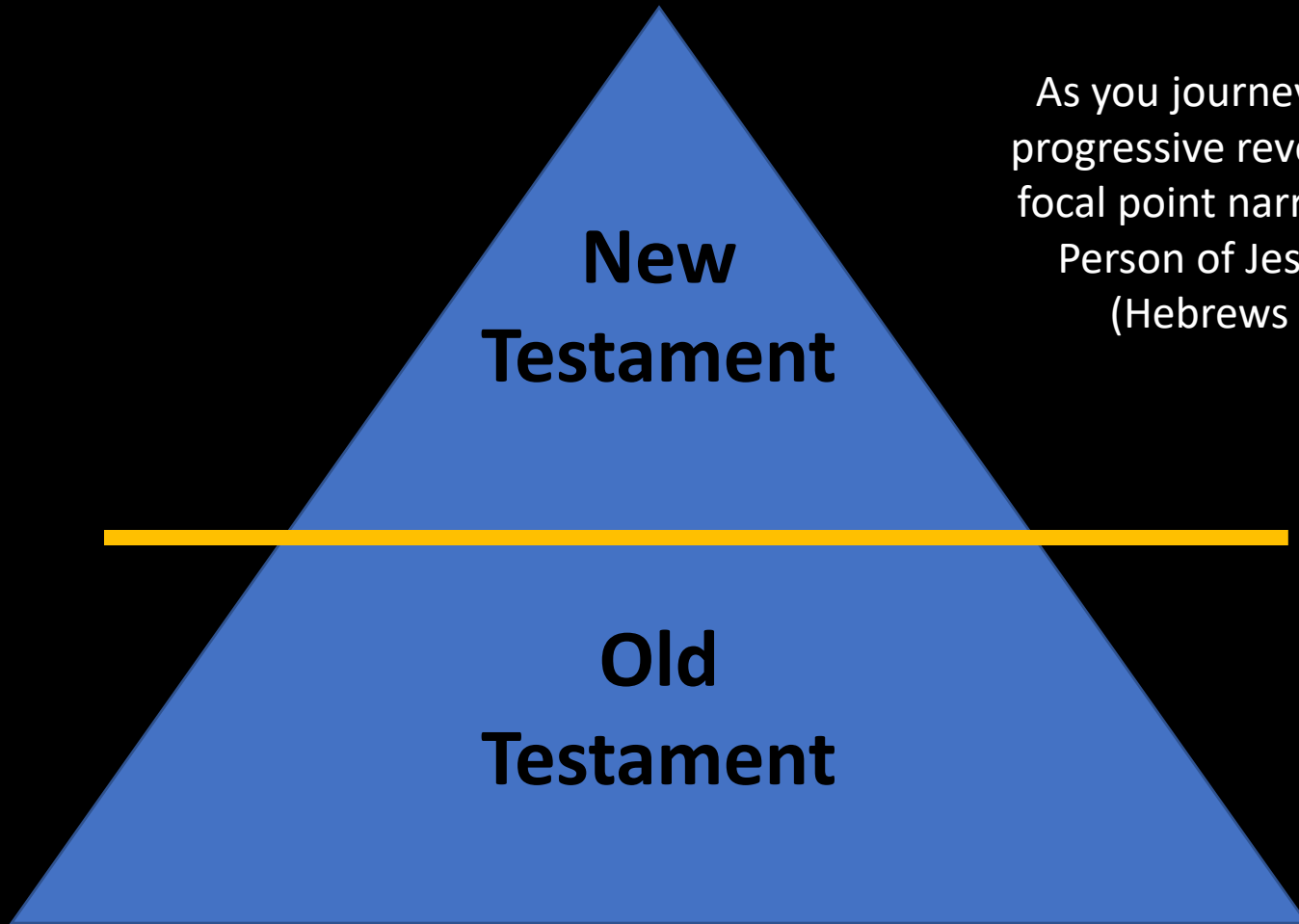
II. The Reasons for Studying the Old Testament Scriptures

- A. It provides the background for Christ's work.
- B. It reveals eternal principles that never change
- C. It foretells future events that are fulfilled in the NT.
- D. It provides amplified commentary on NT passages.
- E. It gives a detailed history of the nation of Israel.
- F. It reveals the heart of our God.

III. The Relationship Between the Old and New Testaments

- A. The Bible is one Book, yet it naturally divides itself into the Old (former) Testament (“covenant”) and the New Testament.
- B. We find truths in the OT in seed form; we find the same truths in the NT in fully-developed form.
- C. The OT and NT complete one another.
- D. The OT is a broad base upon which the NT builds.

The Lord Jesus Christ



As you journey thru this progressive revelation, the focal point narrows to the Person of Jesus Christ (Hebrews 1:1-3)

End of Lesson 1