



iPod



Phone



Internet

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God's Plan for Humanity

The Humans Rebel

God Chooses a People

God's People Rebel

Jesus the King

The Empowered Church

God's Mission Accomplished

The Story of the Bible (Part I)

- Humans as God's partner on a **mission** to run the world
- The human **rebellion**
- The humans in **exile**
- A broken world waiting for God's **salvation**

The Story of the Bible (Part II)

- Ancient Israel as God's partner on a **mission**
- A **covenant** people
- A people **saved** out of oppression.
- A people with God's **Law**
- A people with God's **temple**
- A people who **rebels**
- A people in **exile**, waiting for God's **salvation**

The Story of the Bible (Part III)

Jesus says, I will...

- Restore the people with a **new covenant**
- Empower them for the **mission**
- **Forgive** their sins
- **Save** them out of the power and control of Sin
- **Transform** this people
- Build a new **temple**

The Cross as Old Testament Sacrifices

1. **Covenant** Initiation Sacrifice — Relaunching God's people for the **mission**
2. Passover Sacrifice — **Salvation** from Sin, leading to **transformation**
3. Sin Sacrifice — **Forgiveness** and reconciliation
4. Day of Atonement Sacrifice — New **temple**

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"Covenant"



Greek:
διαθήκη (diathēkē)



(Old) Testament
(New) Testament



Latin:
testamentum

⁴ 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵ Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, ⁶ you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites."

Exodus 19:3-4 (NIV 2011)

⁷ Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it to the people. They responded, "We will do everything the LORD has said; we will obey."

⁸ Moses then took the blood, sprinkled it on the people and said, "This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

Exodus 24:7-8 (NIV 2011)

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1. Do you pledge allegiance to Jesus, not merely as your savior, but as your king?
2. Do you promise to pursue and maintain a relationship of love, loyalty, and friendship with God?
3. Do you promise to pursue growth in love for God and for others for the sake of God's mission to the world?