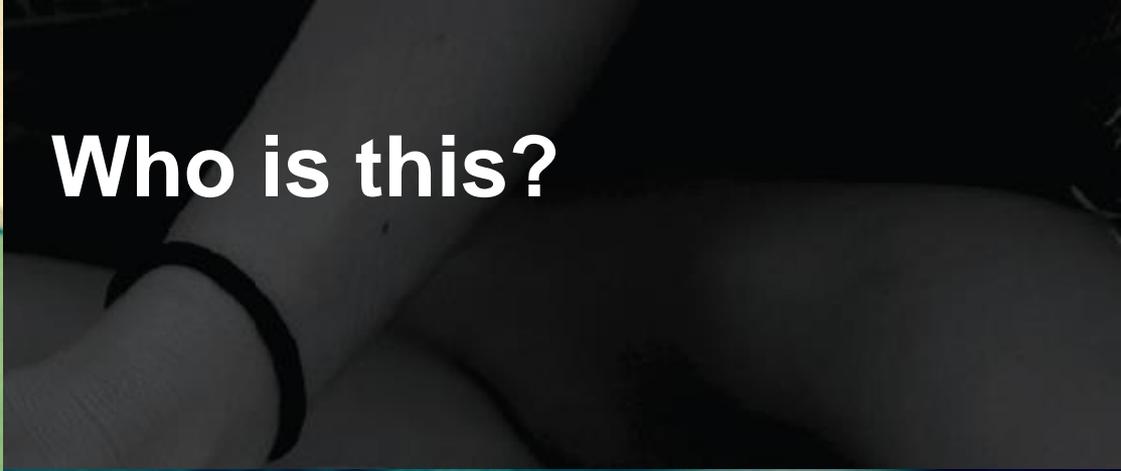




Overview of the Bible, Part 1.1

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Who is this?







Introduction

It's good to know parts of the Bible well, but if we don't understand the overall 'big picture' we're not seeing the forest for the trees.



'A nose is an important feature in the human countenance, but to paint a mans nose alone is not a satisfactory method of taking his likeness. A doctrine may be very important, but an exaggerated estimate of it may be fatal to an harmonious and complete ministry.'

– Charles Spurgeon

Summary of Biblical History

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Beginning - Person: God

Gen 1:1-2 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.



Period: Ancient

Person: Adam

Gen 3:8 And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.



Period: Patriarchal

Person: Abraham

Genesis 17:1-2

When Abram was ninety-nine years old the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.”



Period: Exodus

Person: Moses

Exodus 40:34-35 Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. And Moses was not able to enter the tent of meeting because the cloud settled on it, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.



Period: Judges

Person: Joshua

Joshua 19.51

These are the inheritances that Eleazar the priest and Joshua the son of Nun and the heads of the fathers' houses of the tribes of the people of Israel distributed by lot at Shiloh before the Lord,



Period: Judges

Person: Joshua

Josh 19.51

at the entrance of the tent of meeting. So they finished dividing the land.



Period: Kingdom

Person: David

2 Samuel 7:12-13

When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.



Period: Kingdom

Person: Solomon

2 Chronicles 7:1-2

As soon as Solomon finished his prayer, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the Lord filled the temple.



Period: Kingdom

Person: Solomon

2 Chronicles 7:1-2

And the priests could not enter the house of the Lord, because the glory of the Lord filled the Lord's house.



Period: Exile

Person: Daniel

Ezekiel 10:18

Then the glory of the Lord went out from the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubim.



Period: Exile

Person: Daniel

Ezekiel 37:26-27

I will make a covenant of peace with them. It shall be an everlasting covenant with them. And I will set them in their land and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in their midst forevermore.



Period: Exile

Person: Daniel

Ezekiel 37:26-27

My dwelling place shall be with them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.





Period: Exile

Person: Daniel

Isaiah 32:14-16

For the palace is forsaken, the populous city deserted... until the Spirit is poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness becomes a fruitful field, and the fruitful field is deemed a forest.



Period: Exile

Person: Daniel

Isaiah 32:14-16

Then justice will dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness abide in the fruitful field.

See also Isaiah 44:3-5; 59:20-21

Period: Return

Person: Ezra

Hagai 2:3-5

'Who is left among you who saw this house in its former glory? ...Work, for I am with you, declares the Lord of hosts, according to the covenant that I made with you when you came out of Egypt. My Spirit remains in your midst. Fear not.'



Period: Return

Person: Ezra

Ezra 6:14-16

And the elders of the Jews built and prospered through the prophesying of Haggai... And the people of Israel, the priests and the Levites, and the rest of the returned exiles, celebrated the dedication of this house of God with joy.



Period: Messianic

Person: Jesus

John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

(cf. 2:19)



Period: Church

Person: Paul

Acts 15:16-17

'After this I will return, and I will rebuild the tent of David that has fallen; I will rebuild its ruins, and I will restore it, that the remnant of mankind may seek the Lord, and all the Gentiles who are called by my name...'

See also Acts 6:13; 7:44-51



Period: End-time

Person: The Bride

Revelation 21:3-4

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.



Period: End-time

Person: The Bride

Revelation 21:3-4

He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”



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