

THE KINGDOM STORY

PART 2 THE JOURNEY

From Part 1: *What God Originally Intended In The Beginning He Will Get In The End*

Summary of **Genesis** 1-3

God gave man the earth
God gave man the authority over the earth
God was in perfect relationship with man.
(serpent, sin, curse etc.)

to **Revelation** 20-22 (restoration)

Man again the earth, ruling forever, God with them

Part 2 - The Kingdom Journey: How does God move from original plan in Genesis to restoration in Revelation?

Step 1 – Return The **Land** Through **Abram/Abraham**: A Man Who Loved God

Genesis 12:1-4, 7 - great nation, blessing, land

Genesis 13:14-18 - “all the land you see”

Genesis 15:5-7, 18 - stars of the sky, land: “Nile to Euphrates”

Genesis 17:1-8 - “multiply exceedingly, nations & kings, land of Canaan”

Genesis 22:15-18 - (post Isaac) - bless, multiply, descendants as stars/sand, possess gates of their enemies. God swears by himself that this will happen!

Land. Descendants. Blessing. (Opposite of cursing)

Step 2 – Return The **Rulership** Through **David**: A Man Who Loved God

1 Chronicles 17:1-14 - Davidic Covenant: Son of David, Son of God, King Forever

Jeremiah 33:14-26 - **Sureness of God’s covenant promise**

God’s promise to David continues as long as sun and moon endure!

These two promises are realized in Jesus

Matthew 1:1 - son of God, son of David, son of Abraham

Luke 1:26-35 - son of God, son of David, king forever

Galatians 3:26-29 - Abraham's children through faith in Christ.

But something is missing....

- God's original intention: man, on earth, with authority, IN **RELATIONSHIP** with him

Step 3 – Return The Relationship Thought Jesus: The Son Of God

Romans 5:10-11 – Reconciliation

Merriam-Webster's (via m-w.com)

- 1: the act of causing two people or groups to become friendly again after an argument or disagreement.
- 2: the process of finding a way to make two different ideas, facts, etc., exist or be true at the same time.

Ephesians 2:12-13, 17-22 - Jesus brought us into the family of God, extends to us promises

Revelation 5:9-10 - Jesus buys us back! Makes us kings & priests to our God

- NAU: "*purchased*" ESV: "*ransomed*" KJV: "*redeemed*"

In Christ, the Abrahamic & Davidic Covenants are realized and the new covenant is made - bringing us back into right relationship with God!

To those who turn to Christ & follow him, he extends this Kingdom invitation to:

Revelation 2:7 – access to tree of life

Revelation 2:11 – not hurt by second death

Revelation 2:26-28 – Jesus shares authority to rule the nations

Revelation 3:5 – not erased from book of life, confessed before the Father and angels

Revelation 3:12 – pillar in the temple of God, part of the new city

Revelation 3:21 – sit on throne with Jesus and the Father

Summary:

What God Originally Intended In The Beginning → He Gets In The End.

He gives the land back through Abraham

He gives the rule back through David

And our relationship is restored through Jesus, who is the son of Abraham, son of David, son of God

- Who is extending this chance to be in the Kingdom to those who follow him!

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Next Week: The Kingdom Vision. What is the kingdom of God going to be like?