

# **Redemption Purposed**

Ephesians 3:8-11



# God's Eternal Purpose

Christianity did not just happen

God had a plan before creation

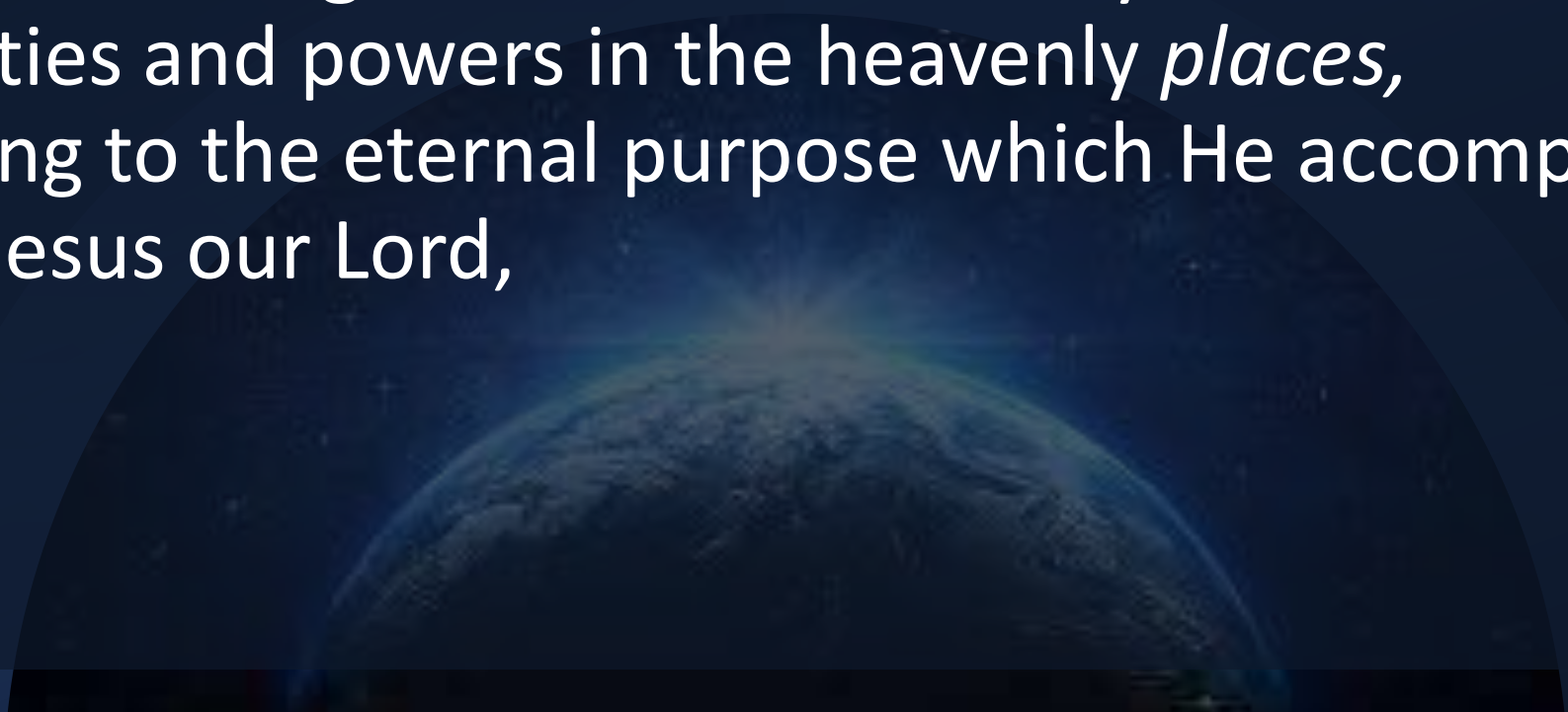
There was no time (only eternity)

- Isaiah 57:15 For thus says the High and Lofty One who inhabits eternity



# God's eternal purpose

Eph 3:8-11 that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ,... that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly *places*,  
<sup>11</sup> according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord,



# The whole purpose of God

- One great system of justice and love
- For the redemption of man in sin
- Through Jesus Christ and the church  
(The main purpose of the Bible)



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God's Purpose

Eph 1:4-11

Eph 3:10-11

1 Cor 2:6-7

Creation

Christ &  
Church

Christ Coming

Glory  
Eternal Life

Eternity Past

Eternity Future





# Redemption Promised

Genesis 3:14-15 So the LORD God said to the serpent:  
“Because you have done this, You *are* cursed more than all  
cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly  
you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life.  
<sup>15</sup> And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And  
between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head,  
And you shall bruise His heel.”

# The Seed of Woman

Galatians 4:4-5 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup> to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

Romans 16:20 And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.

# The Promise to Abraham

## The Nation/Land Promise (National)

- Gen 12:2-3 I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. 12:7 Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, “To your descendants I will give this land.” And there he built an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him.

## The Nation/Land Promise (National)

- <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.



# The Promises fulfilled

## The Nation Promise fulfilled

- Exodus 19:5-8 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth *is* Mine.  
<sup>6</sup> And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These *are* the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel."

# The Promises fulfilled

## The Land Promise fulfilled

- Joshua 21:43-45 So the LORD gave to Israel all the land of which He had sworn to give to their fathers, and they took possession of it and dwelt in it. <sup>44</sup> The LORD gave them rest all around, according to all that He had sworn to their fathers. And not a man of all their enemies stood against them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand. <sup>45</sup> Not a word failed of any good thing which the LORD had spoken to the house of Israel. All came to pass.

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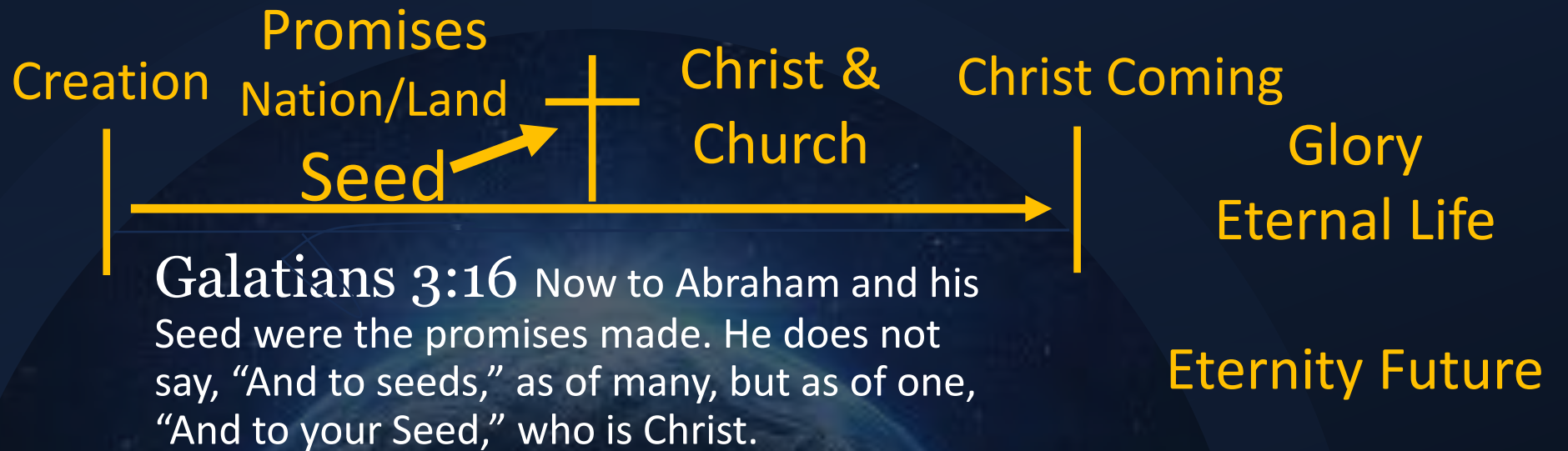
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