

FAITH OVER FEAR

How God Wins



THE BEGINNING

God Creates Everything

- *Genesis 1-2*

Satan and 1/3 of the angels rebel

- *Isaiah 14.12-14; Ezekiel 28.11-17*

Satan deceives man

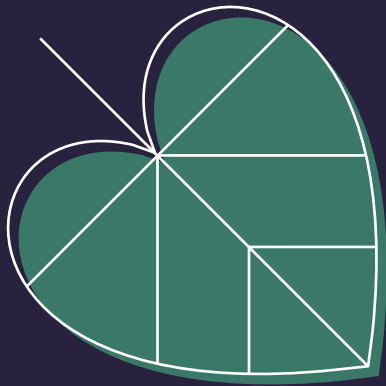
- *Genesis 3*

Man's sin has far ranged consequences

God tells us all that He is going to rescue mankind

- *Genesis 3.15*

THE TWO VEINS OF HISTORY



The first is God's Kingdom

The second is satan's kingdom

There were two lines of attack

- *to try and destroy the members of God's Kingdom*
- *to try to pervert the witness of God's Kingdom with apostasy and heresy*

This conflict will rage until satan is finally thrown into the lake of fire

- *Revelation 20.7-10*

ADAM'S THREE CHILDREN



Adam and Eve had two boys

- *Cain and Abel*

One was Godly, the other was not

- *Cain killed Abel*

Satan was the catalyst behind the murder

- *1 John 3.12*

God overruled and gave them another son - Seth

- *Seth is in the Godly line in Genesis 5*





THE FLOOD

Satan by this time had corrupted almost the entire population

- *Genesis 6.5-7*

Noah and his family, however, were not tainted by the corruption

- *Genesis 6.8*

God stopped the corruption, and gave mankind a new start

- *Genesis 7.20-23*



NOAH'S THREE CHILDREN

After the flood,
Ham disgraces his
father

Genesis 9.22

Shem and Japheth
honor their father

Genesis 9.23

Noah curses
Canaan (Ham's
son) but blesses
Shem and Japheth

Genesis 9.24-27

The Messiah would
come through the
line of Seth

*Genesis 11.10-
12.3; Luke 3.36*

THE CREATION OF THE NATIONS

God commanded the people to disperse over the entire world

- *Genesis 9.1*

Satan moved the people to disobey and stay in the same place

- *Genesis 11.1-4*

During this time, many false religions began

Nimrod was one of the keys satan used to create the mystery religions

- *Genesis 10.8-10*

God confused the languages and dispersed the people

- *Genesis 11.6-8*



THE CREATION OF GOD'S NATION

God then called a
man named
Abram

Genesis
12.1-3

God would make
of Abram a great
nation

*The Messiah
would come
through this
nation*

Satan's attack
would be two-
pronged

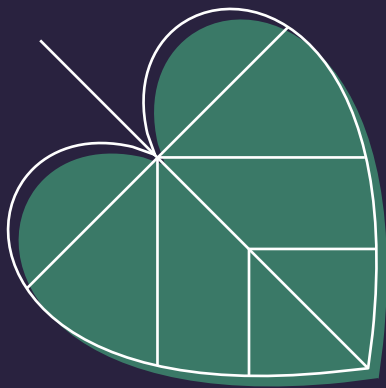
*The first would be
through Slavery in
Egypt*

Exodus
1.8-14

*The second would
be through the
death of all the
male children*

Exodus
1.15-22

THE BOY AND THE EXODUS



Amidst the turmoil God saved a boy named Moses

- *Exodus 2.1-10*

God used Moses to bring the 10 plagues upon Egypt and rescue the nation

- *Exodus 7-14*

Pharaoh chased the nation, but God destroyed them

- *Exodus 14*

Satan tried to destroy the nation through starvation and drought

God both gave them water and provided quail

- *Exodus 15-17*

THE COVENANT AND THE APOSTASY



God, at Mt. Sinai, gave Moses the Law

- *Exodus 19-20*

While Moses was on the mountain, Satan stirred up the people into idolatry

- *Exodus 32.1-6*

God told Moses to destroy the golden calf, and punished those that were involved

- *Exodus 32.7-35*
- *About 3000 were killed - verse 28*





THE TABERNACLE AND THE WANDERING

God gave instructions to build the tabernacle so the nation could worship Him

• *Exodus 25-31*

As they wandered through the wilderness, Satan attacked in many ways

Most spies were afraid of entering Canaan

• *Numbers 13.31*

God sent them back out in the wilderness for 40 years, killing off the complainers

• *Numbers 14.11-35*

Satan cause the nation to grumble, complain and turn against their leaders

God countered these things by making the nation victorious in battle

Satan tried to get Balaam to curse Israel

God caused Balaam to bless Israel

• *Numbers 22-24*

THE LAND

After the wandering, God brought the people into the land of Canaan

First, Egypt gave up control of the land

Second, God opened the waters of the Jordan so they could cross over

- *Joshua 3*

Third, Jehovah showed himself to Joshua and gave him encouragement

- *Joshua 5.13-15*

The people were to take all the land, and destroy all the inhabitants

- *This would keep them from falling into idolatry and intermarrying with the other nations*



THE BATTLE OF JERICHO AND AI



God gave them Jericho

- *Joshua 6*

God told them not to keep anything, but one man did

Satan put it in the heart of Achan to keep some of the loot

- *Joshua 7.1*

Because of this sin, the Israelites lost the battle at Ai

- *Joshua 7.2-5*

God had Joshua burn all the possessions of Achan, and they stoned him with stones

- *Joshua 7.25*

THE LAND AND THE LEVITES

After the Israelites had taken the land, the Levites were given cities in each section

In this way, each tribe would have God's influence, and would keep them worshipping Him

After the death of Joshua, Satan saw an opportunity...

First, the people did not rid the land of all the Canaanites

Second, the Israelites adopted the worship of Baal and Ashtaroth

Third, God's people married Canaanites in violation of God's Command

Joshua 14.4

Judges 1.1-2.5; esp. 27-36

Judges 2.6-3.4

Judges 3.5-6; Deuteronomy 7.1-5



THE JUDGES

The 350 years after the death of Joshua were marked by spiritual decline

- *Judges 21.25*

There were breakouts of apostasy in various areas of the nation, but not all at once

- *Satan tried to make it like a flame that would catch on and grow*

God raised up foreign nations to punish His people

Every time they would repent and return to God

- *Judges 3.7 - 16.31*

God also used the judges - like Deborah, Gideon, and Sampson



SAMUEL AND THE KINGS



God then raised up a very strong leader named Samuel

- *1 Samuel 1-3*

When Samuel was old, he placed his corrupt sons as judges

- *1 Samuel 8.1-4*

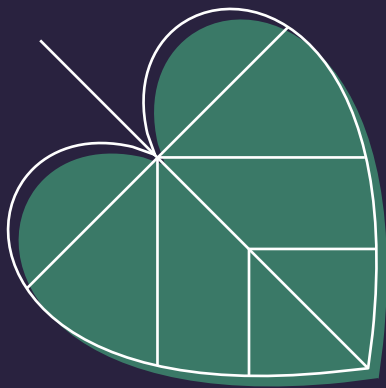
This caused the people to clamor for a king

- *1 Samuel 8.5-9*

The people had not rejected Samuel, but they rejected the LORD

- *1 Samuel 8.7*

KING SAUL



Saul was the first king, and he was good
- at first

*Satan turned his heart away from the
LORD*

- *Abnormal self interest, insane jealousy and full apostasy*
 - *1 Samuel 16.14-28.2; 29-30*
- *Saul consulted a spiritist*
 - *1 Samuel 1 Samuel 28.3-25*
- *Lastly, he and his sons died in battle (Saul killed himself - 31.4)*
 - *1 Samuel 31*

Thus, God ended the apostasy that
could have grown from Saul

KING DAVID

David was then crowned King

He united the kingdom, made Jerusalem its capital, and put an end to Philistine domination of Israel

- *2 Samuel 1-6*

God established the Davidic Covenant

- *David would have someone from his line on the throne forever*
- *David's kingdom would be forever - the earthly kingdom*

Satan would now attack David

KING DAVID

The kingdom of David had their golden age

2 Samuel 8, 10

David committed adultery, and then murder

2 Samuel 11

Because of these sins, God brought severe trouble for David

2 Samuel 12-20

David took a census of the nation - against God's command

1 Chronicles 21

70,000 men were struck with a pestilence and died



KING SOLOMON

God gave Solomon legendary wisdom

God allowed Solomon to build the Temple

- 1 Kings 5-6

Satan attacked and Solomon sinned:

Solomon built a large army - against God's command

- Deuteronomy 17.15-16

He had 700 wives and 300 concubines - against God's command

- 1 Kings 11.3

He married foreign women - against God's command

- 1 Kings 11.1-2

He made places to worship the foreign God's

- 1 Kings 11.4-8

This would split the kingdom in two:

- Jeroboam would take over 10 of the tribes
- Rehoboam would take the last 2 tribes - those that the Messiah would come through

THE MID-TERM

God has an overarching plan for His people

Satan has an under-arching plan to destroy God's plan and God's people

It does not matter what Satan throws at you

Faith is diametrically opposed to Fear

- *1 John 4:18*
- *There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.*
- *2 Timothy 1:7*
- *...for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.*