

The Gospel Concealed: The Old Testament

Week 1: God Is – Introduction

The new is in the old concealed; the old is in the new revealed. -St. Augustine

Class Overview

- Week 1 (6/6) – God Is – Introduction
- Week 2 (6/13) – God Relates – Covenant
- Week 3 (6/20) – God Rules – Kingdom
- Week 4 (6/27) – God Blesses – The People of God
- Week 5 (7/4) – God Speaks – Prophecy
- Week 6 (7/11) – God Guides – Psalms and Proverbs
- Week 7 (7/18) – God Commands – The 10 Commandments
- Week 8 (7/25) – God Saves – Salvation in the OT

Discussion

- What is your relationship with the Old Testament like?
- What questions do you have about the Old Testament?
- Who has been your favorite Old Testament teachers? Who has taught you to read the Old Testament well?

The Content of the Old Testament

- 3 Insufficient views of the OT
 - A Book(s) of Quotations
 - A Collection of Books
 - Character Stories for Emulation
- The Old Testament is **part** of the story of God's creation and redemption...

OT - Promise (Concealed)

NT - Fulfillment (Revealed)

- The primary author of the OT is _____. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- The primary subject of the OT is _____. (Luke 24:13-27)

The Structure of the Old Testament

Grand Story	Genre	Covenant	Kingdom	Book
Creation	Proto-History	Covenant of Works (Adam)	The Pattern of the Kingdom	Genesis 1-2
Fall		Noahic Covenant	The Perished Kingdom	Genesis 3-11 (9)
	History	Abrahamic Covenant	The Promised Kingdom	Genesis 12
			The Partial Kingdom	
		Mosaic Covenant		Exodus 19-24
(Redemption promised)		Davidic Covenant		2 Samuel 7
	Poetry			Job - Song of Songs
	Prophecy	(New Covenant Prophesied)	The Prophesied Kingdom	Isaiah - Malachi

The Gospel Concealed – Case Study #1

The Fall of Adam in the Garden (Genesis 3:1-7)

- Ate the forbidden fruit. (Failed to trust God's **provision**) v. 6
- Tempted to take more dominion – “you can be like God” (Failed to trust God's **rule**) v. 5
- God's word tested → “Did God actually say...” (Failed to trust God's **word**) v.1

Israel in the Wilderness (Exodus 16, 17, & 32)

- Took more manna than needed, and tried to collect on the Sabbath (Failed to trust God's **provision**) 16:4-30
- Crafted and worshipped the golden calf idol (Failed to trust God's **rule**) 32:1-35
- Tested the Lord's Word when complaining of thirst. (Failed to trust God's **word**) 17:1-7

The Wilderness Temptation of Jesus (Luke 4:1-13)

- 1st Temptation – Stone into bread (**provision**) v. 4
 - Jesus resisted: “Man shall not live by bread alone” (Deut. 8:3)
- 2nd Temptation – Dominion of the world (**rule**) vv. 5-7
 - Jesus resisted: “You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve” (Deut. 6:13)
- 3rd Temptation – Put God's Word to the test (**word**) vv. 9-10
 - Jesus resisted: “You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.” (Deut. 6:16 → referring to Exodus 17)

Gospel Application

- Adam, tempted by the serpent, failed to trust God's provision, rule, and word. Likewise, Israel, the blessed people of God, failed to trust God's provision, rule, and word while wandering in the wilderness. Jesus Christ, second Adam (Rom. 5:12-21) and faithful Israel (Matt. 2:13-15) trusted in the Father's provision, rule, and word on our behalf.