

FROM 10,000 FEET

Israel's Story (1 of 2) *Abraham Through The Judges - 1,000 Years* **Luke 24:27 (1 of 2)**

Luke 24:27 "Beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself."

- A **CHRIST-CENTRIC** view of the Old Testament.
- We did Genesis 1-11 last week. Here's what comes next.

The Patriarchs: Genesis (and its follow-through)

Abraham & Sarah, Genesis 12-25. God called Abram to follow Him and ultimately promised him a people, a place, life under God's rule, experiencing God's blessing. **≈ 2000 BC. Genesis 12:1-3, 7**

Isaac & Rebekah, Genesis 21-27

Jacob & Leah/Rachel (or Rachel/Leah,) Genesis 25-35

Joseph & his brothers, Genesis 37-50 & Exodus 1

- **Joseph**
- **12 Tribes of Israel**
- **Migration to Egypt**, where they were oppressed and enslaved.

Moses: Exodus - Deuteronomy

Moses' story & significance

- **Burning Bush & early story**, Exodus 2-4
- **Deliverance/Exodus** with signs, wonders, miracles. Exodus 5-18
- **Mount Sinai**, Exodus 19-40, Leviticus, Numbers 1-9
 - The 10 Commandments, God's Law, Mosaic Covenant.
 - The Sacrificial system, beginning with the first Passover.
 - The Tabernacle.
- **Wandering in the wilderness for 40 years**. Numbers 10-36
- **Moses → Joshua**, East of the Jordan river. Deuteronomy – Joshua 1

Conquest of Canaan Life in the Land of Promise: Joshua & Judges

Joshua leads Israel in the conquest of the land promised to Abraham ≈ 600 years earlier, The battle of Jericho, etc.

The Judges followed Joshua, which brings us to 1030 BC.

Summary

Abraham - Joshua ≈ 1000 years. King Saul - Birth of Jesus ≈ 1000 years.
Genesis 12:1 - Matthew 1:1 ≈ 2000 years. Birth of Jesus - us ≈ 2000 years.

True and Better —Tim Keller

Jesus is the true and better Adam who passed the test in the garden and whose obedience is imputed to us.

Jesus is the true and better Abel who, though innocently slain, has blood now that cries out, not for our condemnation, but for acquittal.

Jesus is the true and better Abraham who answered the call of God to leave all the comfortable and familiar and go out into the void not knowing where he went to create a new people of God.

Jesus is the true and better Isaac who was not just offered up by his father on the mount but was truly sacrificed for us. And when God said to Abraham, "Now I know you love me because you did not withhold your son, your only son whom you love from me," now we can look at God taking his son up the mountain and sacrificing him and say, "Now we know that you love us because you did not withhold your son, your only son, whom you love from us."

Jesus is the true and better Jacob who wrestled and took the blow of justice we deserved, so we, like Jacob, only receive the wounds of grace to wake us up and discipline us.

Jesus is the true and better Joseph who, at the right hand of the king, forgives those who betrayed and sold him and uses his new power to save them.

Jesus is the true and better Moses who stands in the gap between the people and the Lord and who mediates a new covenant.

Jesus is the true and better Rock of Moses who, struck with the rod of God's justice, now gives us water in the desert.

Jesus is the true and better Job, the truly innocent sufferer, who then intercedes for and saves his stupid friends.

Jesus is the true and better David whose victory becomes his people's victory, though they never lifted a stone to accomplish it themselves.

Jesus is the true and better Esther who didn't just risk leaving an earthly palace but lost the ultimate and heavenly one, who didn't just risk his life, but gave his life to save his people.

Jesus is the true and better Jonah who was cast out into the storm so that we could be brought in.

Jesus is the real Rock of Moses, the real Passover Lamb, innocent, perfect, helpless, slain so the angel of death will pass over us. He's the true temple, the true prophet, the true priest, the true king, the true sacrifice, the true lamb, the true light, the true bread.

The Bible's really not about you—it's about him.