The Gospel in the Old Testament

You Shall Surely Die!

Genesis 2-3

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In the Bible, a kingdom has 3 elements

- O King
- **2**Realm to rule over
- **13** The King exercises His rulership

God Creates His Kingdom

- The Creation of the Universe by the Word of God (1:1-2:3)
 - A. On days 1-5, God creates the realm to rule over (1:1-23)
 - B. On day 6, God creates mankind to rule over the Earth (1:24-31)
 - 1. God created animal life (1:24-25)
 - 2. God created human life (1:26-31)
 - **○Let man rule over all animal life (1:26)**
 - OLet man subdue the earth (1:28)
 - C. God blessed and sanctified the 7th day (2:1-3)

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 - 2. Man has the responsibility to keep God's commandments in order to enjoy life (8-17)
 - ○God makes a bountiful provision for the man (8-14)
 - Man rules over and subdues the earth by cultivating and keeping the garden (15-17)
 - 3. The LORD God provided a helper for the man (18-25)

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The Effects of Sin (3:7-24)

- ▶ Man experiences guilt and shame over their sin (7)
- ➤ Man hides from God (8-10)
 - Hebrews 4:16 Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace
- Man refuses to confess and repent (11-13)
 - Matthew 5:4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

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A curse opposes a blessing. A curse is God's punishment and judgment against sin.

- ➤ Man's relationship to God is cursed as there would be perpetual conflict between good and evil (14-15)
- Woman's relationship to man is cursed (16)
- **►** Man's relationship to the earth is cursed (17-18)
- > Physical death (19)

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 - ○God makes a gracious provision for sinners (20-21)
 - ○God graciously expels the couple from the garden (22-24)

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 - C. The Horrendous Escalation of Sin (4:1-26)
 - D. The Descendants of Adam (5:1-6:8)
 - 1. Adam's line to Noah was corrupted by sin and death (5:1-32)
 - 2. On a universal scale, all are corrupted by sin and depravity (6:1-8)

The Penalty of Sin

- 1. The suffering of life: weakness and disease
- 2. Spiritual death: sin separates man from God. Sin affects all aspects of man's being.
- 3. Physical death: the separation of the body and soul
- 4. Eternal death: eternal torment in the lake of fire

There will no longer be any curse (Rev. 22:3)

- ➤ Millennial conditions will be similar (not identical) to those in Eden. **Ezekiel 36:35** "They will say, 'This desolate land has become like the garden of Eden.'
- >Acts 3:21 the period of restoration of all things
- ➤ Colossians 1:20 and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven.

The Messiah brings the blessing of redemption by becoming a curse