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

1. King
2. Realm to rule over
3. The King exercises His rulership
God Creates His Kingdom

I. 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)
         ○ Let man subdue the earth (1:28)
   C. God blessed and sanctified the 7th day (2:1-3)
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   1. God creates the first man (4-7)
   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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- 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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      ○ God declares punishments for sin (14-19)
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