#### WHOLE HEARTED ADHERANCE TO THE BIBLE AS GOD'S WORD

Developing Strong and Deep Disciples of Jesus

SCF has a voice to share The Gospel of Jesus God's Big Picture – Week 7 The Proclimed Kingdom Ben Lees

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## **Aims for This morning**

- The Bible is One Book by God;
  - Seeds of Salvation in the Old Testament
  - God's Grace in the Old Testament
  - Man's response throughout the Old Testament





## **Aims for This morning**

- Look at the Establishment of the Church
  - The work of the Epistles to 'Keep The Faith'





#### **Next Week**

- Look at the Establishment of the Church for the work Evangelism
- The second coming of Christ





## The Kingdom of God





#### The Kingdom of God

GOD'S PEOPLE

GOD'S PLACE

GOD'S RULE & BLESSING

#### Adam & Eve

Garden of Eden

**Perfect Relationships** 



#### **The Snake**

Not True – you will not die Not clear – Did God really say... Not fair - God is holding back from you





#### These Are Still Satan's Tactics Today





#### What was so bad about eating fruit?

God said don't

They wanted to decide for themselves what was right and wrong



## **God Proclaims Judgements**

**Genesis 3:23-24 NKJV** - therefore the Lord God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken. So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.



#### **Themes – Seeds of The Gospel**

 Adam and Eve - Genesis 3:21 Also for Adam and his wife the Lord God made tunic of skin and clothed them

 Adam and Eve knew they were naked and were ashamed they tried to cover their same with leaves.





#### **Themes – Seeds of The Gospel**

Abraham – Genesis 15:6 And he believed in the Lord, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.

Issac – Genesis 22 The Lord wants to know of Abraham faith and asks him for his son as a sacrifice. Vs 22 Then He said, "Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you."



#### **Themes – Seeds of The Gospel**

Jacob

Genesis 27:33 Then Isaac trembled exceedingly, and said, "Who? Where is the one who hunted game and brought it to me? I ate all of it before you came, and I have blessed him—and indeed he shall be blessed



#### **Themes – God's Grace**

- God covers The Shame of Adam and Eve
- Noah
- Abraham and Sarah
- Moses
- The Israelites



# Theme's – Turning From God and doing Things *My way*

- Adam and Eve The Garden
- Abraham and Sarah Ishmael
- The Exodus Golden Calf
- The Book of Judges Sin Cycle
- Israel Demand for a King
- Solomon Marring foreign wives



#### **Turning to Jesus**

- The Serpent Crusher at last arrives
- Luke 9:20 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered and said, "The Christ of God."





When Jesus started his ministry he was speaking into a culture, historical and social context that was pregnant with the hope and expectation of the Messiah



## Establish God's Kingdom – Overthrow the Romans

- Matthew 10:7 Matthew 13 Matthew 24:14
- Matthew 4:17 Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand
- Matthew 5:1-10 Blessed are ... for theirs is the kingdom of heaven
- Matthew 6:9 Our Father in heaven ... Your kingdom come
- Matthew 6:33 Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness
- Matthew 7:21 Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven but he who ...



## Jesus' substitutional sacrifice changed everything





#### The Kingdom of God

GOD'S ΡΕΟΡΙ GOD'S PLACE GOD'S

Any one who comes to Jesus

In Jesus, He now longer resides in buildings, but in us

Through Jesus in giving resurrection life in those who

trust Him





#### The Kingdom Has Come – Now But Not Yet

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.



## **The Proclaimed Kingdom**

God has left His Church on His Earth To Proclaim Good News

Matthew 28:19-20 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and Io, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."



## The Pattern of The Proclaimed Kingdom

The Spirit is sent

The Gospel is proclaimed

Jesus Ruturns





## **Our Christian Life is a Journey**

2 Timothy 4:7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.





## There is a battle Going on

1 Peter 5:8 because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

There is a battle that wants to pull you back into old way of doing things



Ephesians 4: 22-24 - that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.



#### **The Epistles of Paul**

Romans

1 Corinthians

2 Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

1 Thessalonians

2 Thessalonians

1 Timothy

2 Timothy

Titus

Philemon





## Paul often is having to call them bac

Galatians 3:1-3 O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed among you as crucified? 2 This only I want to learn from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? 3 Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh?



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Colossians 2:8 - Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ.



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Corinthians – a Church really struggling

The Book of Hebrews – Written to Wavering Christians

Philemon – Don't do what you could do





## What Does This Mean For Us Today?

Hebrew 4:14 AMP - Inasmuch then as we [believers] have a great High Priest who has [already ascended and] passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession [of faith and cling tenaciously to our absolute trust in Him as Savior].

