Narrative Review

What is the point of the story?

God has given us a single contiguous Story that:

- a) Explains Him
- b) Explains His desire to relate with us

What is His goal?

And remember His Goal to:

- a) Fill the whole Earth with His Glory
- b) By Reigning through His **Kingdom**
- c) With His Covenant People

What are the 5 scenes in Act 1?

Act 1

Scene 1 = Creation

Scene 2 = The Fall

Scene 3 = Cain's Sin

Scene 4 = The Flood

Scene 5 = The Tower of Babel

What is the first covenant?

1st of the 6 main covenants = Adamic Covenant - Genesis 1:28

- a) Be fruitful and multiply
- b) Fill the earth
- c) Subdue it and rule

We were <u>created to rule</u>, <u>kind of like a king</u> if you will – this will be very significant as we continue

What is the second covenant?

2nd Covenant - Noahic Covenant - Gen. 9:1-7

- a) Be fruitful and multiply
- b) Fill the earth
- c) Rule and subdue it
- d) God will never destroy creation again like this (i.e. flood)

God will Preserve the Earth until His redemption is complete

Sign will be a Rainbow (later with Abraham/Circumcision, and with Israel/Sabbath)

What is the second act?

Act 2 - God Building a Nation

Step 1 The Founding Fathers

What is the third covenant? Why is it significant to the story? What are the pieces to it?

Covenant # 3 – Abrahamic Covenant – Gene. 12:1-3

- o Land
- Nation descendents
- Bless Abraham
- o Curse those that curse Abraham
- Bless all Nations
- Step 2. The Tribal Framework
- Step 3. Formation of a People
- Step 4. The choosing of a Leader
- Step 5. The Deliverance of Israel
- Step 6. The Torah Given culture established

Covenant #4 – Mosaic Covenant (only conditional covenant)

Covenant people, kingdom of priests = sign is Sabbath

What is the main goal of the book of Joshua? How about Judges?

- Step 7. Conquering the Land (Numbers 13-36 & Joshua)
- Step 8. Occupying the Land Tribes established in the Land (Judges, Ruth & I Samuel 1-8)
- Step 9. Samuel the Prophet & Final Judge = I Samuel 1-7
- Step 10. Monarchy of Saul
- Step 11. The Great Theocracy I Samuel 16 II Kings 10

Covenant # 5 - Davidic Covenant - II Sam. 7:8-17

Establish an everlasting Kingdom thru David

Why is Solomon significant to the story?

Act 3 - Divided Kingdom - Post Solomon

Who are the 2 kings after the split? What is Israel's main sin (sinned like his father)?

Act 4 – Repairing the Kingdom

What are God's methods for repairing the kingdom?

Who was exiled first? How and by who? When?

Israel's Exile (722BC) - II Kings 17:7-41

The curse warnings of Duet 28 have come true as forewarned

- 1. Disease = 28:21-22; II Sam. 24
- 2. Drought = 28:23-24; I Kings 17-18
- 3. Cannibalism = 28:53-57; II Kings 6:24-30
- 4. Locusts = 28:29-30; Amos
- 5. Exile = 28:36-37, 49-52; II Kings 17, 25

Which prophets speak during this time?

What should you think when you read the prophets?

With Joel, it was some 130 years of waiting and pleading and pulling since the time of Solomon

With Amos, it was some 140 years

With Jonah, who knows, but probably some 150 years

With Hosea, it was some 180 years

With Micah = 190 Years since Solomon

With Nahum = 270 Years

With Zephaniah = 290 Years

When was Judah's exile?

Judah's Exile (587/586BC) - II Chron. 36

Habakkuk, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi

They are 3 Steps or Stages of Judah's exile

- 1. Isaiah Anticipation of the Exile
- 2. Jeremiah Transition into Exile
- 3. Ezekiel Participating in Exile

Ezra – the focus is the Temple

Nehemiah – the focus is the Wall

Esther – the focus is the people

Why does God go thru so much trouble to rebuild the Temple when it will fall again?

A RETURNED PEOPLE but one that is not yet FULLY REALIZING THEIR SALVATION THE HALF BUILT TEMPLE IS THE SYMBOL OF THIS STATE

Covenant # 6 – New Covenant – Jeremiah

Act 5 - Enter Jesus - The New Kingdom