

Fitting Acts into the BIG Picture
Israel: God Initiates His Plan
Selected Scripture

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A Good Garden Ruined! (Gen 2-11:9)

√ God provides a hint for future hope (Gen3:14-15)

√ Sin's progression: (Gen 5:1-11:9)

Grab it: Do I realize that God has a purpose for me that is much more significant than being occupied with my maintaining my own comfort?

Grab it: It reminds me that sin has affected all creation (and especially people) and that as a follower of Christ it is better to obey God than to rebel against Him.

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God initiates His plan to reverse the curse of sin
(Gen 12-50)

√ God makes a covenant with Abraham (Gen 12-22)

Grab it: Abraham reminds me that saying “YES” to God grants me the assurance of His presence and promises.

√ God builds a nation – Israel - whose mission was bigger than themselves.

➤ They were to be:

- The means of Divine revelation – the Scriptures

- An example of how we are to respond to God

- The channel through whom the promised “*offspring*” would come

- The people who would bring God to the nations

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