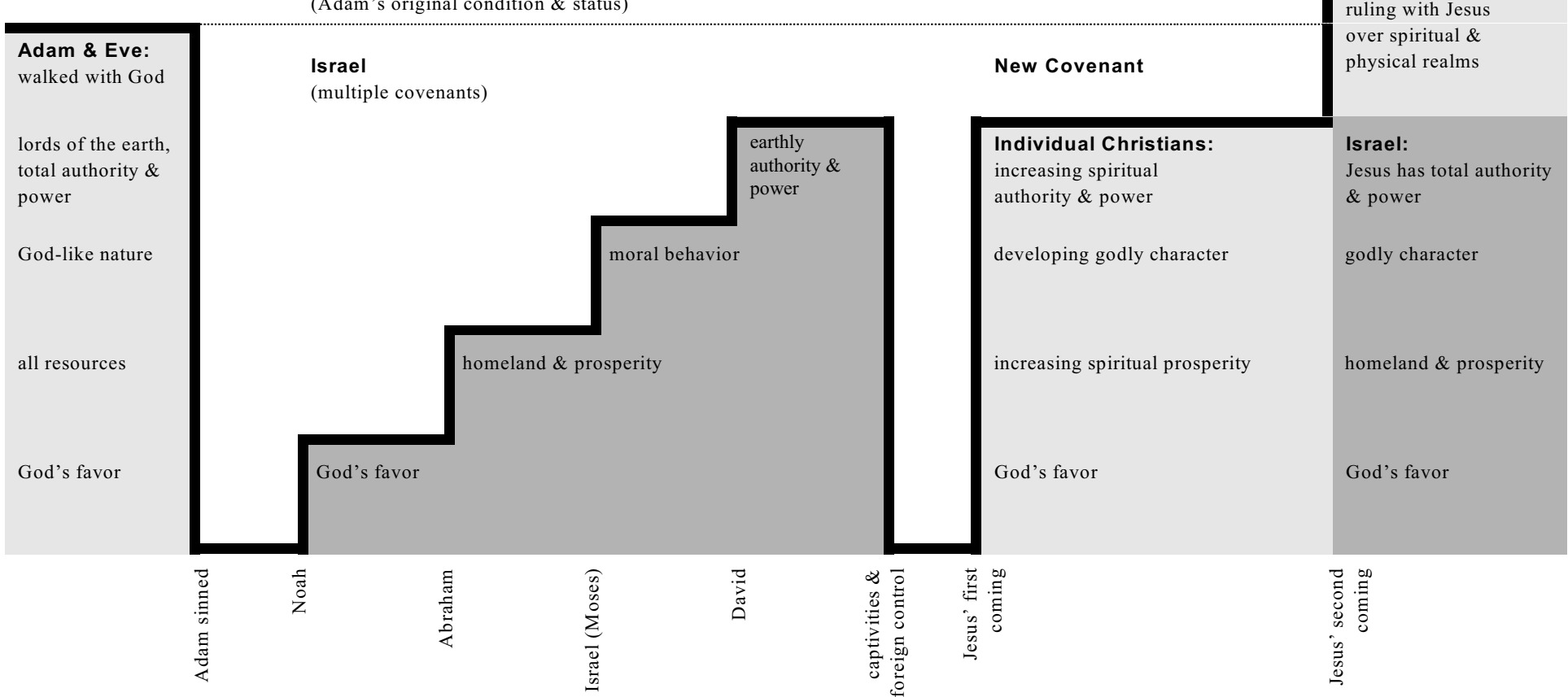


Chronology of the Kingdoms & the Covenants

Earth's Kingdoms



Man's Condition



General Notes

Man's Condition

- always related to covenants
- covenants are vehicles through which God establishes & restores relationship with man

Earth's Kingdoms and Man's Condition

- Adam's Kingdom
 - Adam & Eve walked with God, only a little lower than elohim (Godhead)
 - Adam & Eve lords of the earth (likely: "earth" included all physical creation)
 - man's kingdom a reflection of God's kingdom
 - Satan subverted man's authority through deceit when Adam failed to exercise authority (abdicated) and chose to submit to Satan instead of God
- Satan's Kingdom
 - when Adam sinned, Satan became lord of the earth
 - all mankind born into sin, enslaved to sin, separated from God
 - Holy Spirit came on Old Testament saints and/or Israel's leaders temporarily
 - from Adam's sin to Abraham
 - relatively few acknowledged God
 - Noah found favor with God
 - Israel (from Abraham to captivities)
 - nation is "God's people"
 - multiple covenants with the nation & national leaders
 - Israel (from captivities to Jesus)
 - spiritual silence from God

- Two Kingdoms — light & darkness
 - Jesus defeated Satan
 - as a man, Jesus satisfied the legal requirements of man's debt to sin, so men who accept salvation no longer enslaved to sin
 - as a man, Jesus recovered authority over earth; King of kings, Lord of lords
 - Satan's power nullified/abolished, exercises only influence & deception
 - Satan no longer lord of the earth, limited to prince of the age
 - all mankind born into sin (Satan's kingdom), free to choose God's kingdom
 - Christians (from Jesus' first coming to his second)
 - individual believers are born again, God's children
 - Holy Spirit resident within all believers
 - progressive individual experience of kingdom benefits, godly character, authority & responsibilities
 - use spiritual authority to impose God's kingdom in specific situations
- Jesus' Kingdom
 - Jesus returns, reigns from Jerusalem
 - full & universal experience of his kingdom
 - Satan's influence eliminated
 - Israel experiences full stature as God's people
 - believers are kings & priests
 - gentile believers rule with Jesus over spiritual realm, Israel and all creation
- God's Kingdom
 - new heaven, new earth, new Jerusalem
 - God's kingdom is universal, Jerusalem is his capital

Jesus' First & Second Comings

First coming
defeated enemy, broke his power
made redemption available
regained legal right to man's domain (ownership)
imparted limited authority over earth to the redeemed

Second coming
— remove enemy
— judge all who rejected redemption
— reign over man's domain as a man
— impart full authority to reign with Jesus over spiritual & physical realms