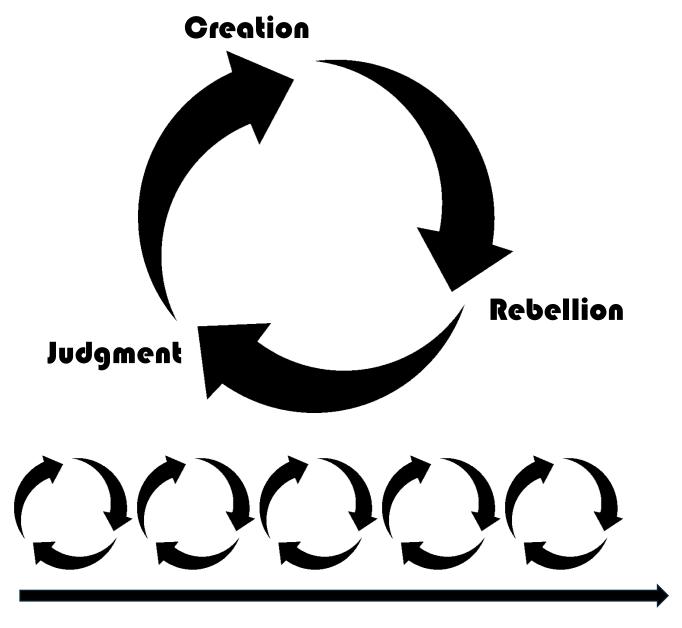
The Condensed History of the Bible and Salvation

The story of God dealing with the world is not only linear, it is also cyclical.

God's work in the past gives us perspective on the future.



History goes in repeating cycles as it moves towards its ultimate conclusion.

Adam

The First Creation—The Original Creation (Gen. 1:1, 26-28; 2:7)

The First Rebellion—Sin in the Garden of Eden

The First Judgment—Separation from God and Expulsion from the Garden (Gen. 3:8-24)

Adam and Eve

The Second Creation—Creation Without God (Gen. 5:1-5)

The Second Rebellion—Sin Runs Throughout the World (Gen. 6:5-8)

The Second Judgment—The Flood (Gen. 6:9-7:24)

Noah

The Third Creation — The Original Creation Re-Initiated (Gen. 8:1; 9:1-17)

The Third Rebellion—The Tower of Babel (Gen. 11:1-4)

The Third Judgment—The Dispersion (Gen. 11:5-9)

Abraham

The Fourth Creation — The Creation of God's People (Gen. 12)

Genesis 12 marks the transition from a worldwide focus to one man and how God worked through the family that came out of him. "... in you all the families of the earth will be blessed." (Gen. 12:4)

The Fourth Rebellion—Israel Continually Rebels Against God

The Fourth Judgment—The Exile for Assyria and Babylon

<u>Jesus</u>

The Fifth Creation — The New Creation (Matt. 1:1; John 20:1; 2 Cor. 5:17)

The Fifth Rebellion—The whole world has rebelled against God (Rom. 3:23)

The Fifth Judgment—Jesus took our judgment into Himself on the cross (Rom. 5:8; 2 Cor. 5:21)

The Millennium

The Sixth Creation — Reigning Over Creation (Rev. 20:4-6)

The Sixth Rebellion—Many Will Rebel Against Jesus After 1,000 Years (Rev. 20:7-9)

The Sixth Judgment—Satan is cast into the Lake of Fire forever (Rev. 20:10)

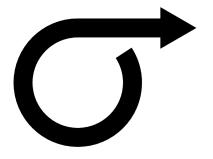
We will all stand before the judgment seat of Christ (Rev. 20:11-14)

The New Heaven and Earth

The Last Creation — Reigning Forever (Rev. 22:5)

Now God will dwell with us forever and there will be no more tears, death, or curses. Everything will make it new. He finished the job! (Rev. 21:1-6).

No more cycles of death.



The cycle is broken. There are only perpetual blessings forever!