

From Beginning to End

The Story and Themes of the Bible

A Study in Biblical Theology

Lesson 3: New Testament Overview
Part 1

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DEFINITION OF BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

Biblical Theology is
the **approach/discipline/framework**
of reading and understanding the Bible and
its parts as **one** coherent and cohesive story
written by **One** Divine Author.

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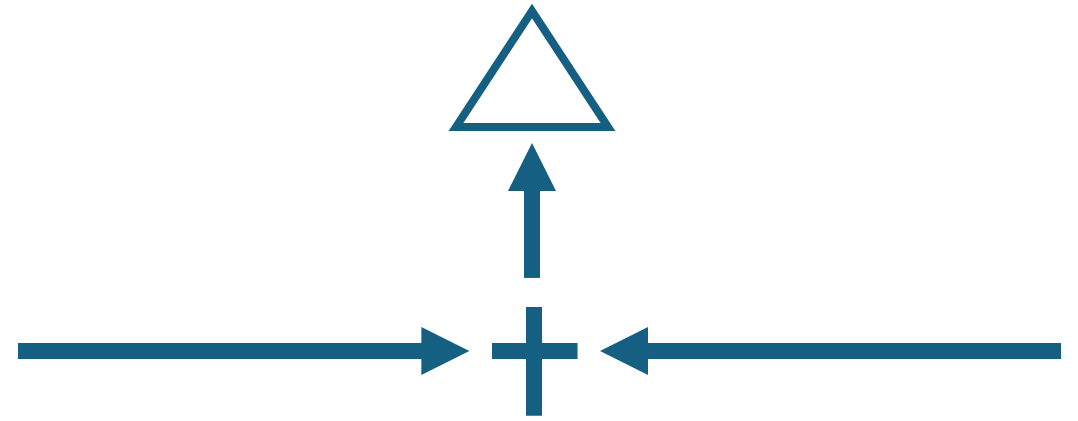
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HOW TO READ THE BIBLE

When we read the Bible we must read it
as **God-centered** *not* **man-centered**.

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We should read every part of the Bible
in light of **the gospel of Jesus**
and **the glory of God**.

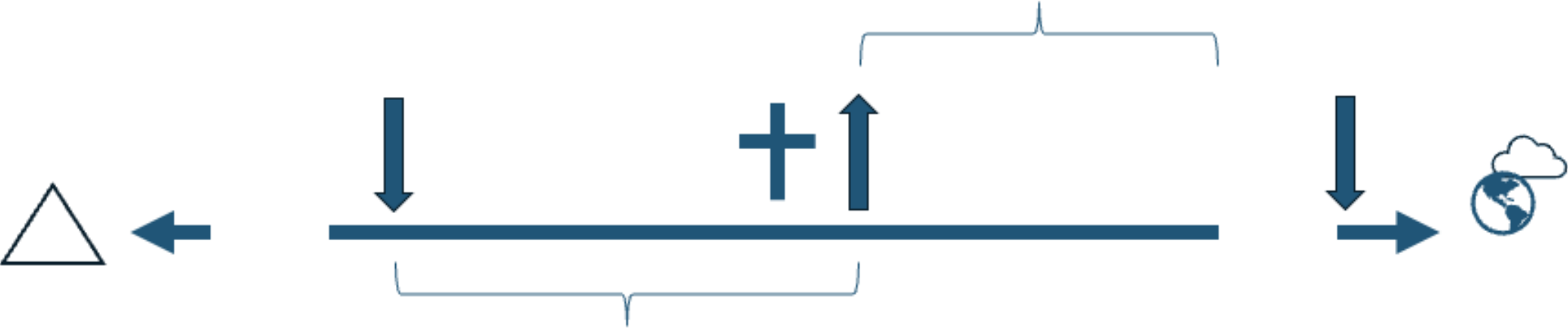
WHY BIBLICAL THEOLOGY IS IMPORTANT

Biblical theology helps us
to **read**, **understand**, **interpret**, and **apply**
the Bible rightly.

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If you don't understand the whole story,
you'll **miss the point** of the parts.

NEW TESTAMENT TIMELINE



GEOGRAPHY OF THE GOSPELS



Bodies of Water

1. Mediterranean Sea
2. Sea of Galilee
3. Jordan River
4. Dead Sea

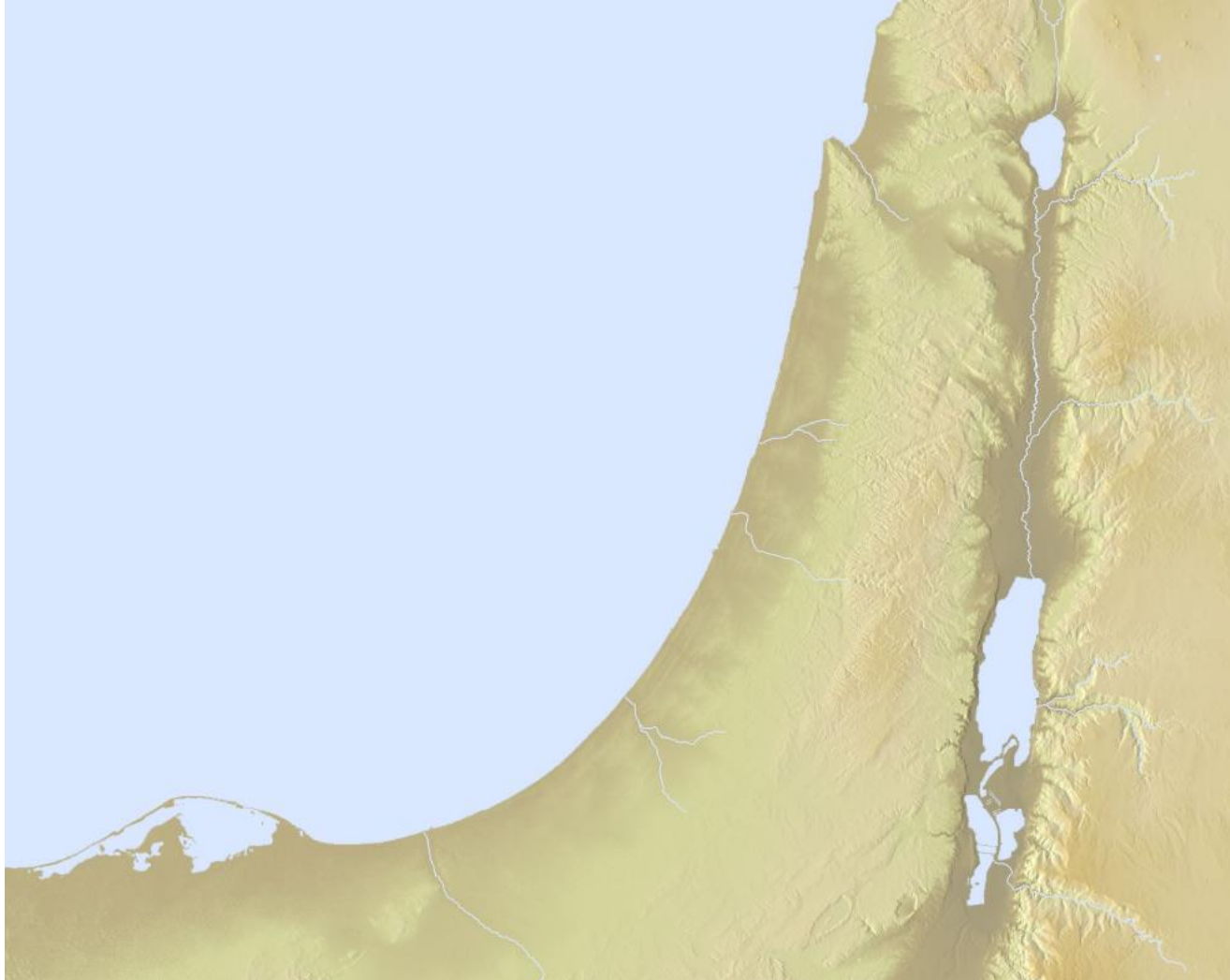
Regions

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FOUR MAJOR TIME PERIODS IN THE GOSPELS

1. Jesus's Birth & First 30 Years
2. Jesus' Public Ministry
3. Jesus' Last Week
4. Jesus' Resurrection + 40 Days

FOUR MAJOR TIME PERIODS IN ACTS

1. The Church at Jerusalem (Acts 1-7)
2. The Church Scattered Everywhere (Acts 8-12)
3. Paul's Missionary Trips (Acts 13-20)
4. Paul's Arrest & Trip to Rome (Acts 21-28)

RESOURCES

Capitol Hill Baptist Church. *Core Seminar on Biblical Theology*.

<https://www.capitolhillbaptist.org/resources/core-seminars/series/biblical-theology/>

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