

JESUS – THE PROMISED SEED

Christ Prefigured in the OT

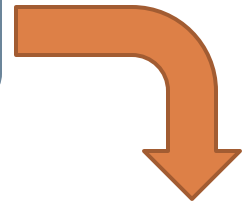
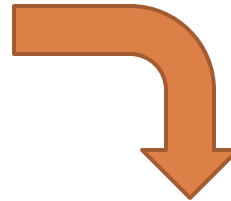
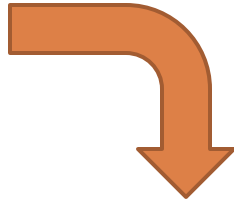
Theory

Deductive Method

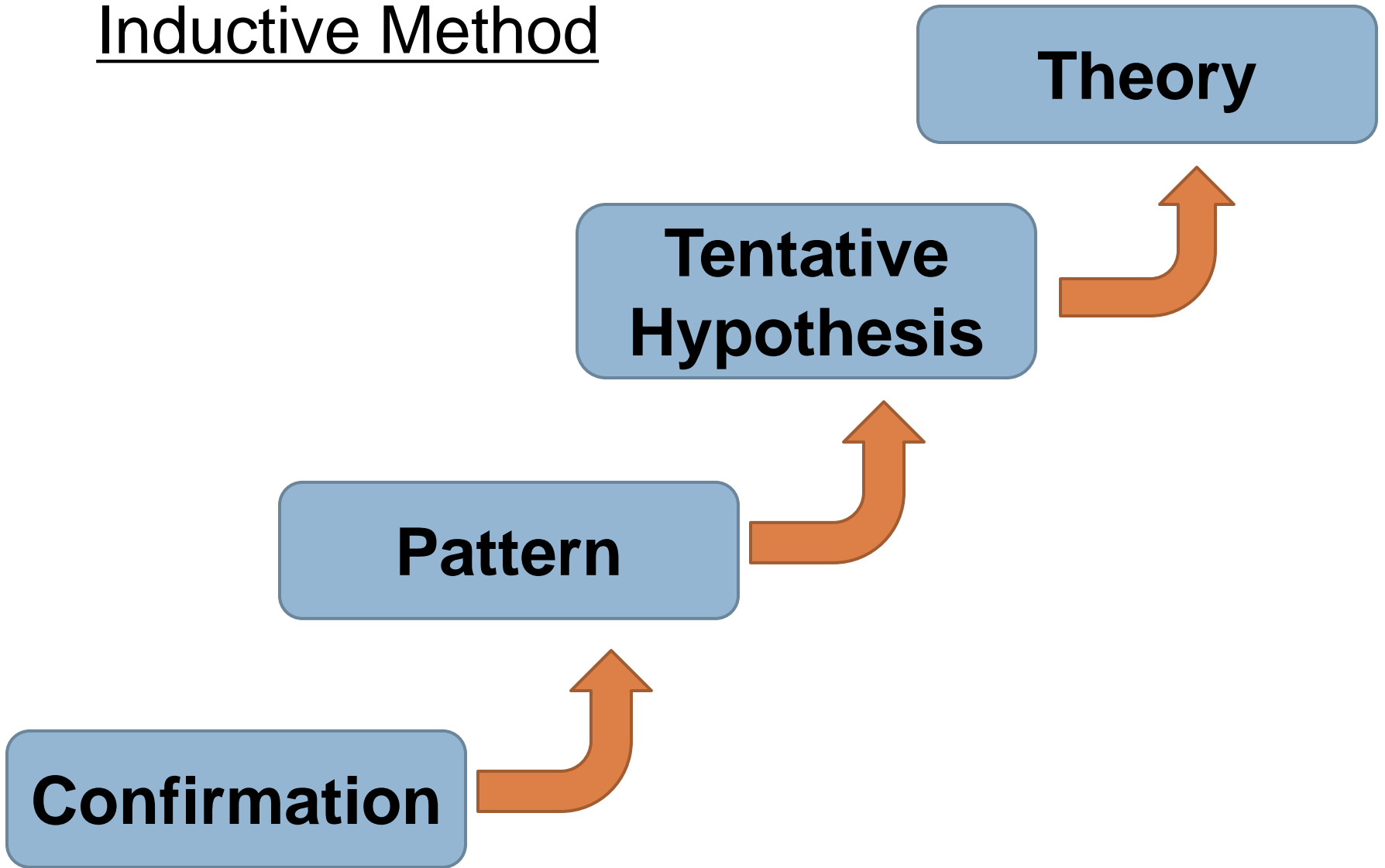
Hypothesis

Observation

Confirmation

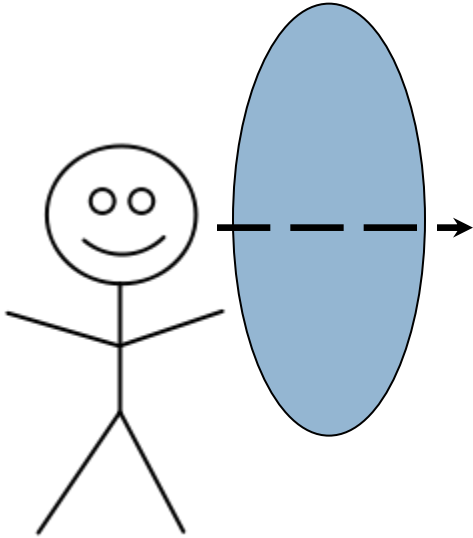


Inductive Method



**Genesis 3:15 is the “beginning
and germ of all prophecy” (A.W. Pink).**

**Lens of
Gen. 3:15**



Genesis

Malachi



The Message of Genesis 3:15

- **Message of hope for mankind:** Before pronouncing judgment on the man or woman, God promises a future deliverance.

The Message of Genesis 3:15

- **Message concerning two seeds or descendants or offspring.**
 - ▣ Seed is singular and can be understood as referring to an individual or, in the collective sense, to a group of descendants.
 - ▣ **Seed of the woman:** Children of God
 - ▣ **Seed of the Serpent:** Children of the devil (John 8:44)

The Message of Genesis 3:15

- **Message about the hostility that will exist between the two seeds:** The word “enmity” carries the idea of a life and death struggle between two fighters.

The Message of Genesis 3:15

- **Message of defeat for the Devil:** His head will be crushed. The location of the blow serves to emphasize the severity of the blow.

The Message of Genesis 3:15

- **Message about a MAN who will come through the seed (offspring) of the woman.**
The serpent targeted the woman and caused her to sin bringing ruin on the human race. God's plan is to reverse the effects of the fall by destroying the serpent through the woman's offspring.
- **Message about a MAN who through suffering will crush Satan's head.**

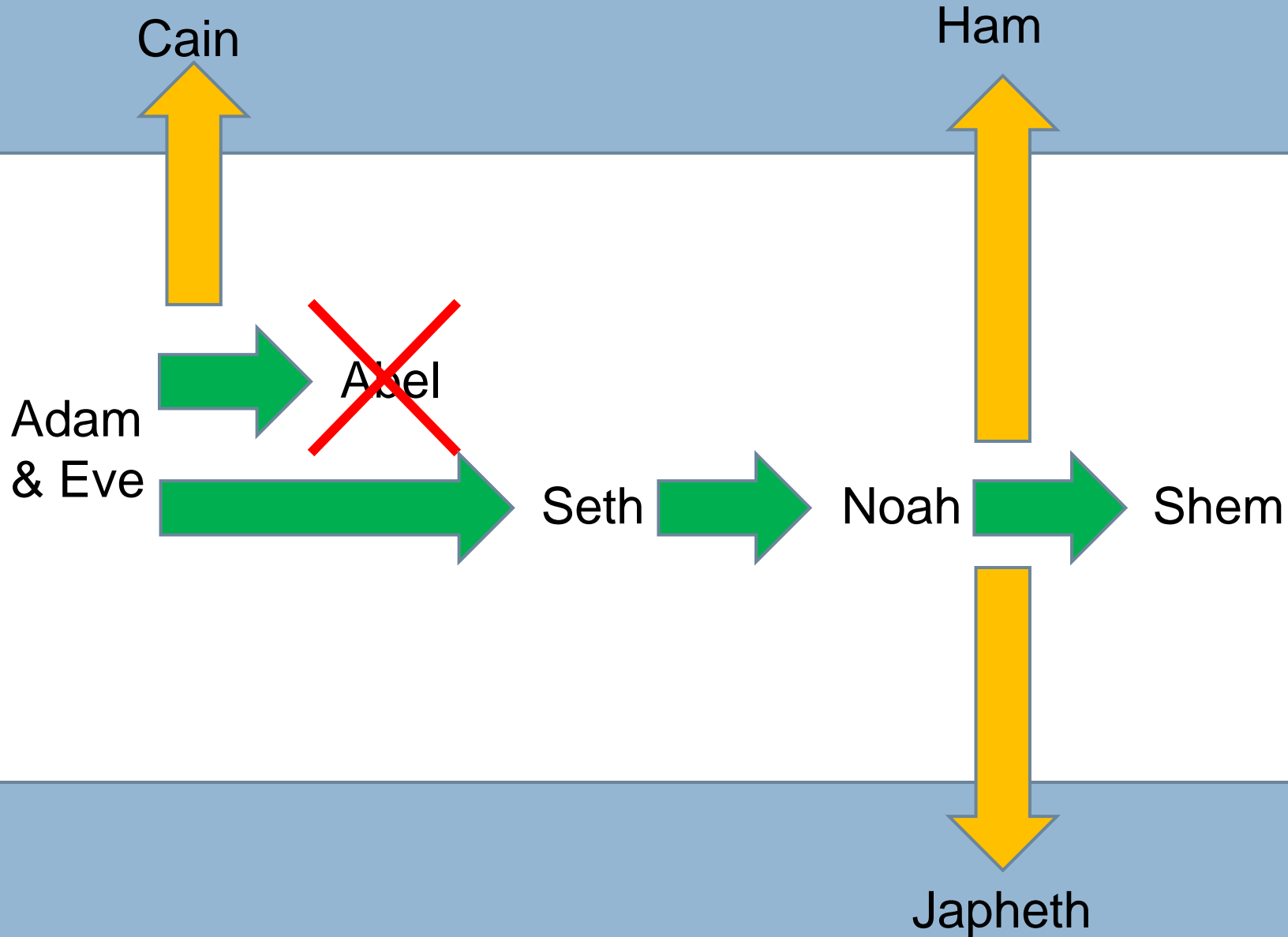
The Message of Genesis 3:15

□ ***Conclusion***

- The Bible invites us on a journey, a journey that traces the seed of the woman. The question should be asked, “Does God give any indication in his Word as to who is carrying the seed which will crush the serpent’s head?”

Tracing the Seed of the Woman

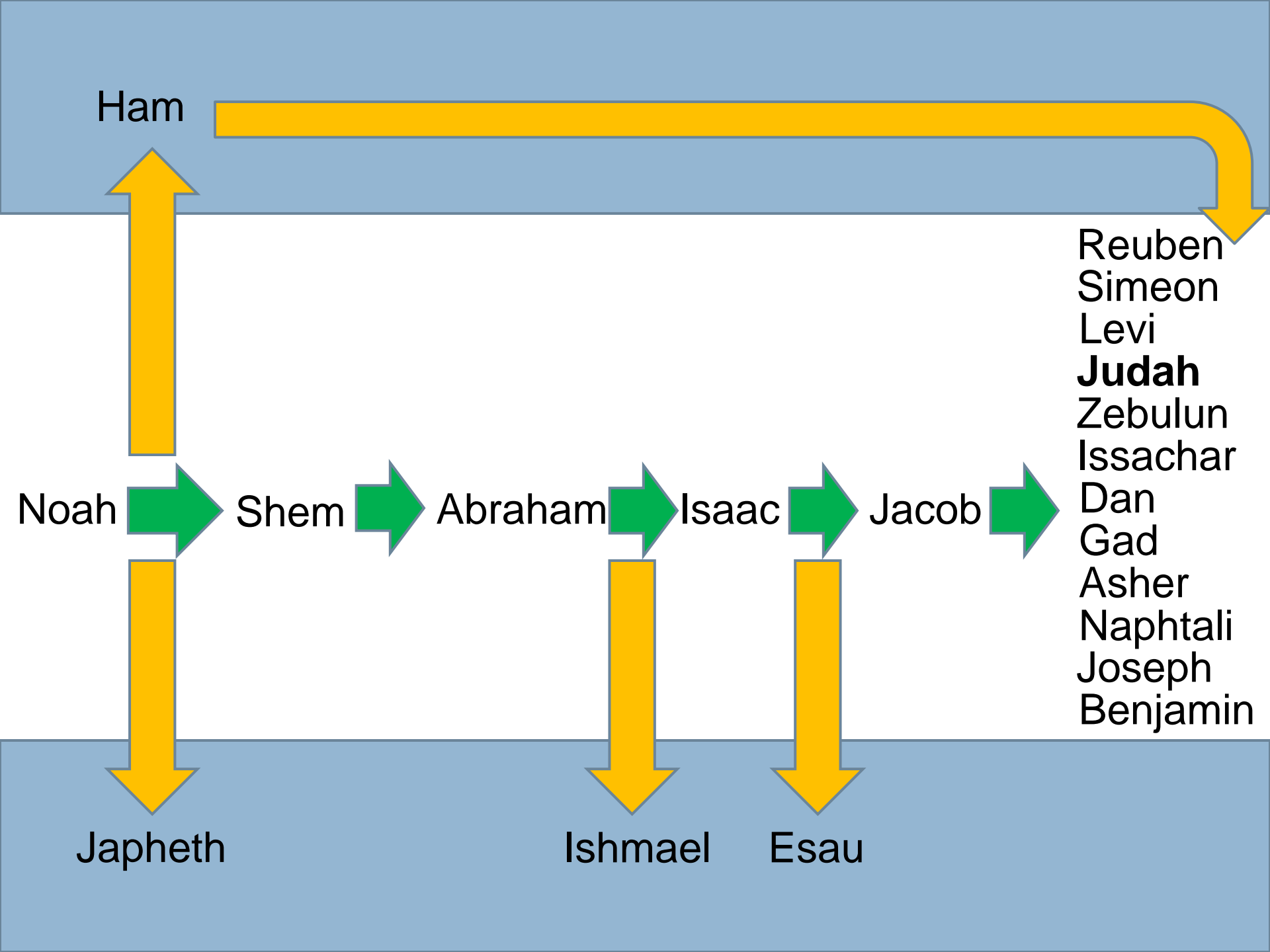
- **Genesis 4:1** not Cain
- **Genesis 4:25** but Seth
 - ▣ Genesis 5 gives Adam's genealogy tracing the seed of the woman down to Noah. This is one of the reasons why genealogies are so important. They are there to remind man that God is keeping His promise and will bring about the seed of the woman.
- **Genesis 9:18-27; 11:10-32** Shem, Ham, or Japheth



Tracing the Seed of the Woman

- **Genesis 12:3; 17:7-8** Abraham is chosen to carry on the “woman’s seed”. Not only is the seed traced, it is further explained. Not only will this seed crush Satan’s head but the seed will bring blessing to all nations.
- **Genesis 21:12** Ismael or Isaac
- **Genesis 25:21-23** Esau or Jacob
- **Genesis 49:8-10** Which of the twelve?

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- Shiloh literally means: “him to whom it belongs”



Tracing the Seed of the Woman

- **Ruth 4:18-22** It's not just a nice story but it gives a context in which the seed of the woman can be traced.
- **1 Samuel 9:1-2; 17** not Saul
- **1 Samuel 16:1-13; 2 Samuel 7:12-16** Again, the promise of Gen. 3:15 is expanded. God promises David a seed (offspring) whose kingdom and house will be established by God forever.

Northern Kingdom (Israel)

David

Solomon

Exile
Assyria
722 BC

Micah
Isaiah

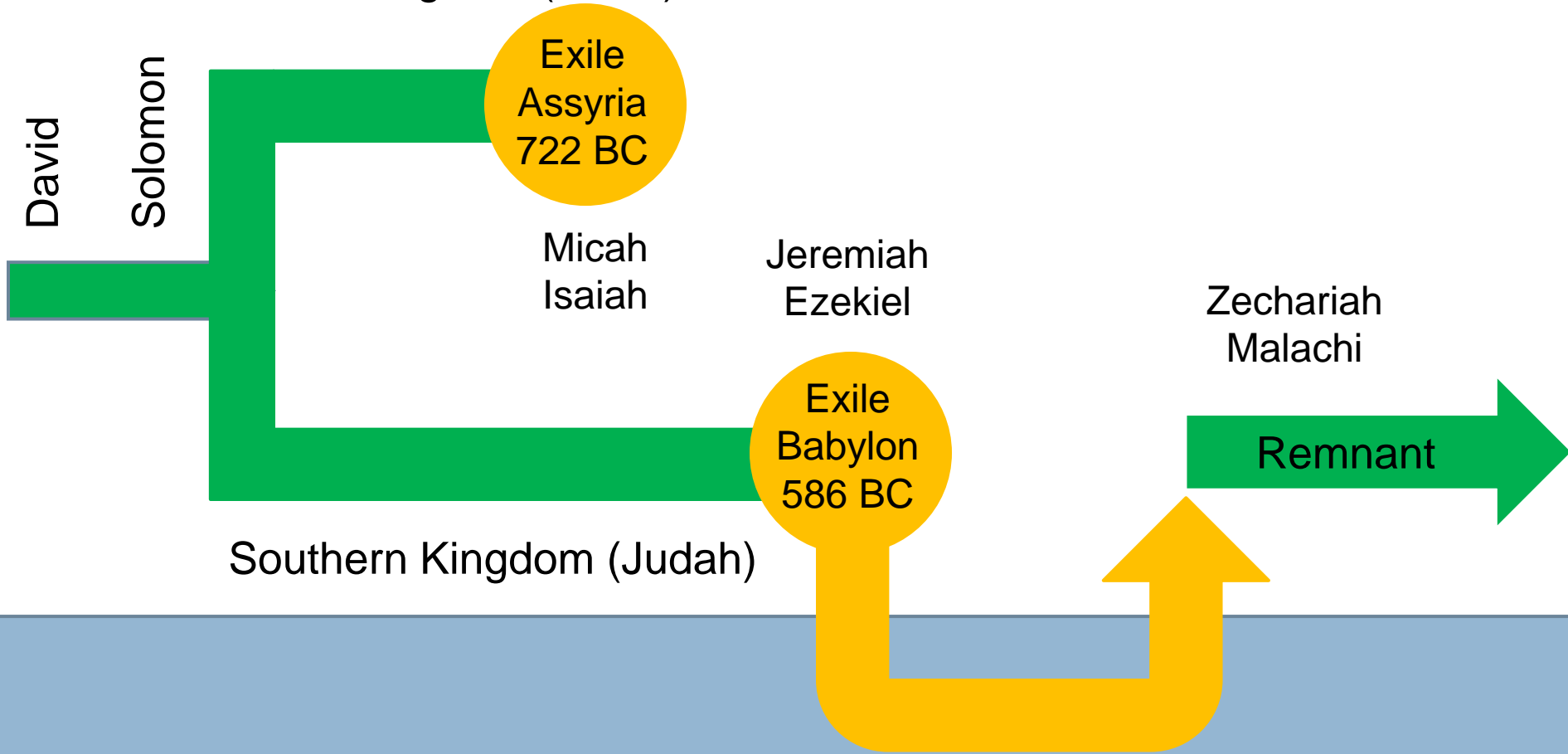
Jeremiah
Ezekiel

Zechariah
Malachi

Exile
Babylon
586 BC

Southern Kingdom (Judah)

Remnant



Tracing the Seed of the Woman

- **Fall of Israel & Judah:** Yes God's judgment is coming on Israel & Judah because they have forsaken God's covenant. And yet for all of this judgment, God will keep his promise given in Gen. 3:15. There is a theology growing around this seed of the woman. He is beginning to take on personality and character. You find in the prophets a growing intensity concerning the coming Messiah, the seed of the woman.

Tracing the Seed of the Woman

- **Micah 5:2-5** He will come from Bethlehem & He will be from everlasting.
- **Isaiah 7:14** Virgin will conceive: The child will be “God with us”.
- **Isaiah 9:6-7** Name will be wonderful counselor, mighty God, eternal father, prince of peace. Again he will sit on David’s throne. God will do it!
- **Isaiah 11:1-5** A shoot will spring from the stump of Jesse - the Spirit of the Lord will rest on him.



Tracing the Seed of the Woman

- **Isaiah 42:1-3** He will bring justice to the earth. He will not cry out or raise his voice.
- **Isaiah 52:13-53** He will suffer and die for man's sins.
- **Jeremiah 31:31-37** The promised seed is as sure as the covenant with Noah.

Tracing the Seed of the Woman

- **Ezekiel 37:24-28** He will be a shepherd and make a covenant of peace.
- **Zechariah 9:9** He will present himself to Jerusalem as king by riding on a donkey. This passage in Zech. 9:9 was firmly connected in Jewish minds with the coming of the Messiah.
- **Malachi 4:1-3** He is still coming...

Applications

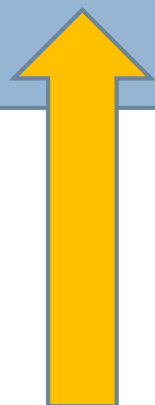
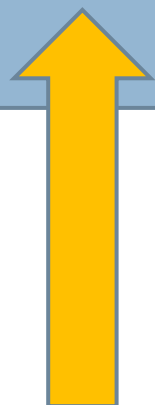
- ***God will always be true to his Word.***
 - Isaiah 40:8 The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Applications

- ***History from God's perspective centers upon his plan of redemption.***

Judas

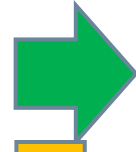
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11 Disciples



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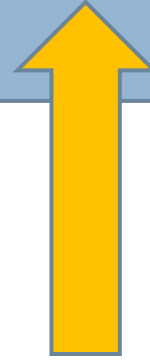
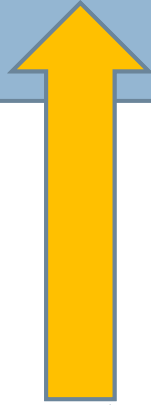
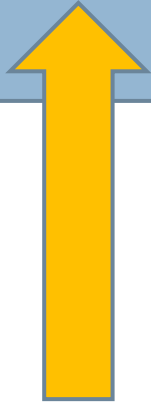
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- ***History from God's perspective centers upon his plan of redemption.***
 - ▣ The focus of God's activity and blessing is on the seed or offspring of the woman! If we want our lives to be lived in the center of God's purposes, then our lives must be focused on what God is focused on!

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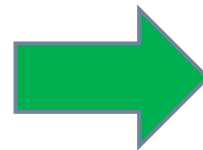
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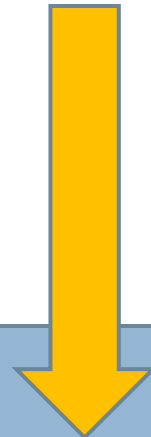
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Where are we living our lives?



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