Bible Top 5 Bible Top 40 Overview

Week 9

Welcome & Announcements

Prayer Requests and Opening Prayer

Old Testament Concepts

Top 5 Concepts - God Prepares His People

- 1. Creation = In the beginning...God...created...the heavens...and the earth, man crown of creation
- 2. Divine Intentions = Designed with perfect harmony with God, selves, others, nature
- 3. Disharmony = Man's revolt against limited freedom created disharmony, God calls back
- 4. Pronouncement of a Destiny (Selection) = Blessed to be a blessing, Not deserved, For a destiny
- 5. Ardent Dreams of a Destiny (Separation) = Destiny involved land, nation, separation as means, not end

Top 5 Concepts - God Empowers His People

- 6. United for a Destiny (Uniting Factors) = Experiences united Israel to enable them to fulfill destiny
- 7. Emerging Nation on the Way to Homeland = Wilderness events taught Israel to TRUST IN THE LORD
- 8. A Destiny Insured (Insuring Factors) = God instituted factors to ensure that Israel could fulfill the destiny
- 9. Empowered for A Destiny (Atonement) = God provided atonement through sacrifice to free Israel to serve
- 10. The Conquest = God fulfilled His promises of land and nation through divine conquest of Canaan

Top 5 Concepts - God's People Turn From Him

- 11. Judges Forestall Threats = Alliance, Cycle of Apostasy, Battered, Cry Out, Deliverer, Emancipate, Forget
- 12. The Philistine Menace = Failed to trust God in face of human power, longed for a king like the others
- 13. The United Kingdom = God permitted a king, Kingdom united under Saul, David and Solomon
- 15. The Crumbling North = Northern tribes turned from God under Jeroboam and stayed away, destroyed
- 16. The Crumbling South = Southern tribes cycled between faithfulness and rejection, exiled to Babylon

Top 5 Concepts - God Restores His Fallen People

- 14. Recalling a Destiny = God sent prophets to remind Israel of destiny. Factors are means not ends
- 17. Pointing Ahead = God sent prophets during crises to give hope through promises
- 18. The Exile = Israel was surprised & devastated when God permitted Babylonians to destroy & exile them
- 19. History Itself is the Judgment of God = God's judgment & involvement can be seen throughout His Story
- 20. The Restoration = God retrieved a remnant who brought a fresh zeal for Him

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New Testament Concepts

Top 5 Concepts - God Sends the Savior

- 1. In the Fullness of Time = In the fullness of time God sent His Son Galatians 4:4-5
- 7. A Light in the Darkness = God sent His light into the world and the sin-filled darkness tried to shut it off
- 8. The Empty Tomb = God conquered the power of death by raising Jesus
- 9. Christ the Lord = you'll receive power, witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, ends of earth Acts 1:8
- 20. Revelation = We have hope in God's promise that Christ will come again

Top 5 Concepts - God's Roles for His Son

- 2. The Word Became Flesh = Jesus was fully God, The Word was God ... the Word became flesh
- 3. Jesus the Man = Jesus was fully man, showed us how to realize fullness of life
- 4. Jesus Spokesman to Distortion = Jesus brought the truth and spoke against human distortions
- 5. Jesus the Teacher = Jesus taught truths of God, humanity and living in relationship with God
- 6. Jesus the Savior = God's saving act in Jesus saves us from inevitable spiritual, temporal & eternal death

Top 5 Concepts - God's Lessons to His People

- 10. Reversion = NT letters spoke against efforts to revert Christians to law-based self-salvation
- 13. 1 & 2 Thessalonians = NT letters clarified truths of Jesus' return and how to live in preparation
- 14. 1 & 2 Corinthians = NT letters addressed specific issues of living as Christians in a sinful world
- 16. 1 & 2 Timothy = NT letters taught people how to lead other Christians
- 18. False Teaching = NT letters spoke against efforts to infuse pagan beliefs into Christianity

Top 5 Concepts - God's Lessons to His People

- 11. Justification = Only faith in God's Son will justify us before God for salvation not personal efforts
- 12. Faith = Faith includes knowledge, belief and trust, as these grow faith grows and purifies
- 15. The Church = God wants His people to join together in Christ's body, the Church, to fulfill the destiny
- 17. 1 Peter = The road to life is narrow and Satan wants to divert us with obstacles and temptations
- 19. Sanctification = As our relationship with Christ grows, we are sanctified through fullness of life

Closing Prayer