

# God's Story: The Story Of The New Testament

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#### Major Developments During The Intertestamental Period:

**INTELLECTUAL Influence** - Philosophy from Greeks created a “true thirst for real meaning in life!”

**LINGUISTIC Influence** - Koine Greek became the universal language and also led to the “Septuagint” which was the Greek translation of the Hebrew Old Testament.

**POLITICAL Influence** - Golden Age of the Roman Empire led to the “Pax Romana” (the peace which existed within the Roman Empire between different nationalities) and extensive road construction.

- **J - JOHN THE BAPTIST**

**Isaiah 40:3**, A voice of one calling: “In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. 4 Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. 5 And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all people will see it together. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

**John 1:19**, Now this was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to ask him who he was. 20 He did not fail to confess, but confessed freely, “I am not the Messiah.” 21 They asked him, “Then who are you? Are you Elijah?” ... 23 John replied in the words of Isaiah the prophet, “I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way for the Lord.’” ... 29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!”

- **J - JESUS**

**Isaiah 7:14**, Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call Him Immanuel.

**Luke 1:26**, In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, 27 to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you." 29 Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. 30 But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. 31 You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call Him Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David, 33 and He will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; His kingdom will never end." 34 "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" 35 The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the Holy One to be born will be called the Son of God.

**John 1:14**, The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us.

**Hebrews 4:14**, Therefore, since we have a great High Priest Who has ascended into Heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. 15 For we do not have a High Priest Who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have One Who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet He did not sin.

**John 18:33**, Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked Him, "Are You the King of the Jews?" 34 "Is that your own idea," Jesus asked, "or did others talk to you about Me?" 35 "Am I a Jew?" Pilate replied. "Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it You have done?" 36 Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, My servants would fight to prevent My arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now My kingdom is from another place."

**Matthew 27:50**, And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, He gave up His spirit. 51 At that moment the curtain of the temple

was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split...

**Acts 1:7**, He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by His own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” 9 After He said this, He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid Him from their sight.

- **C - CHURCH**

**Ephesians 2:19**, ...you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of His household, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the chief cornerstone. 21 In Him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. 22 And in Him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by His Spirit.

- **G - GLORY**

**Revelation 4:2**, ... there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it.

3 And the One who sat there had the appearance of jasper and ruby. A rainbow that shone like an emerald encircled the throne... 8 ...Day and night they never stop saying: “**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come.**”

**Revelation 12:11**, They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.

**Revelation 21:1**, Then I saw “a new Heaven and a new earth,” for the first Heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of Heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and He will dwell with them. They will be His people, and God Himself will be with them and be their God. 4 ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of

things has passed away.” 5 He Who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then He said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” 6 He said to me: “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. **To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life.**

7 Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be My children.