

GENESIS

- God ELECTED his people
- Beginnings of world, Israel
- Abraham called, promised Father many nations (land, nations, blessing)
- 12 tribes saved from famine by sovereignty of God working through Joseph.
- Identity as God's people: circumcision, Abrahamic covenant

EXODUS

- God REDEEMED his people
- From bondage to covenant
- Law given at Sinai
- Tabernacle built, God dwells with man for first time since fall
- Israel sees the goodness of God in powerful ways ... plagues, Red Sea, manna
- Identity as God's people: Yahweh is redeemer, covenant (God comes down to man)

LEVITICUS

- God SANCTIFIES his people
- Sacrifices make way for atonement
- Identity as God's people: Set apart from others.
Holy unto the Lord.
They are to reflect the character of God in his holiness.

NUMBERS

- God DIRECTED/DISCIPLINED his people
- Led by pillar of fire, cloud through wilderness
- Census of 1st generation--they didn't trust the promises of God--unbelief
- God's disciplining for their murmuring, rebellion, unbelief and idolatry.

- 12 spies to Promised Land, 10 give bad report. Only Joshua and Caleb hold faith that God truly will be able to drive out their enemies.
- 40 years of wandering in the wilderness for their unbelief. (One year for every day the spies were gone).
- None of this unbelieving generation will enter the Promised Land but Joshua and Caleb, who had faith.
- Book of warning: How not to do it
- Census of 2nd generation - training 2nd generation---saw judgment, received renewal of covenant and rest (promise land)

DEUTERONOMY

- God RENEWS THE COVENANT with his people
- Motivation for second generation. Purpose-- 2nd generation needs to hear again
- Appeal for the heart of his people
- Final words of Moses. About to enter the land
- Call for total commitment to God

Overview of content:

Numbered

Unified

Murmured

Backed away/Balaam blessed

Enticed to idolatry

Renumbered

**Soil selected, survey of stroll, safe
cities**