## HIS STORY

The New Covenant (Exile & Return)

1) Death in exile

God's People	God's Place	God's Presence

• Severe wrath

(Lamentations 3:1-18)

(Lamentations 3:19-66)

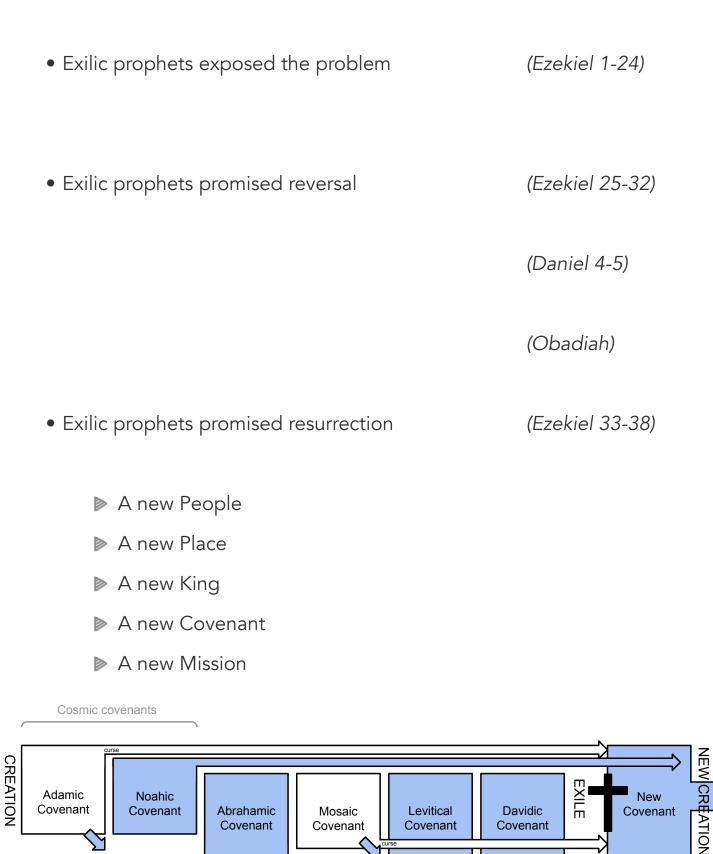
• Severe discipline

2) Life in exile

- The temptation to isolate (Jeremiah 29)
- The temptation to assimilate (Daniel 1)
- God will protect his remnant (Daniel 3, 6)
- God will use his remnant

(Esther)

## 3) Hope in exile





National covenants

• When will the Kingdom come?

## 4) Life after return

• Joy and disappointment

(Chronicles)

(Ezra-Nehemiah)

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• Post-exilic prophets pointed:

(Haggai, Zechariah)

(Malachi)

- Back to a disappointing past
- Around at a disappointing present
- ▶ Forwards to the appointed future

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- 5) Why should I care about this period?
  - Helps us lament
  - Helps us be grateful

(Romans 15:4)

• Helps us be patiently confident

