

## What Was Started

## The Plan Realized

We began with creation. That's where it all begins. God created us. We are uniquely different from the rest of creation.

- You are not a mistake. You are here for a reason. God made you on purpose for a purpose

Creation—Relationship—Heart (character) like God

- The sin in the garden broke the plan of God
- God established a way to bring man back to Him
  - Man nearly ruined everything (Gen 6:5-8)  
God started a new creation (2 Pet 3:5-7)
  - The promise of reconciliation was revealed through Abraham (Gen 12:3)

One Man: Adam—promise \_\_\_\_\_  
One Man: Noah— promise \_\_\_\_\_  
One Man: Abraham— promise \_\_\_\_\_  
One Man: Jesus— promise \_\_\_\_\_

### The Promised Realized in Jesus Christ (Eph 1:1-14)

- In Christ there is \_\_\_\_\_ (7)
- In Christ are all the spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ (3)
- In Christ we have an \_\_\_\_\_ (11)
- In Christ there is the seal of the \_\_\_\_\_ (13)

Relationship to a broken world: \_\_\_\_\_ (1)  
Relationship to a loving God: \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

### This is by design

Before the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world that we should  
be holy and blameless (4)  
Predestined us according to His \_\_\_\_\_ (5, 11)

### Transformation of heart and character takes place

Rom 12:2  
2 Pet 1:4  
Rom 8:29  
Eph 5:1

Accomplished through  
faith

### Conclusions:

- God \_\_\_\_\_ His promise (2 Pet 3:9)
- God can literally do anything to make this promise \_\_\_\_\_ true (Jer 32:27; Dan 2:21; Rev 11:1-7)
- What seems like a long time in the history of civilization, was all \_\_\_\_\_ to the plan of God (Gal 4:4; Rom 5:6; Rev 2:7; 22:14)

To sum up, what is the story of the Bible?

What are man-made substitutes for God's eternal plan?

