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God’s rule and blessing	God’s word: perfect relationship	Disobedience and curse	Blessing to Israel and the nations.	The law and the king	New covenant; new king; great blessing

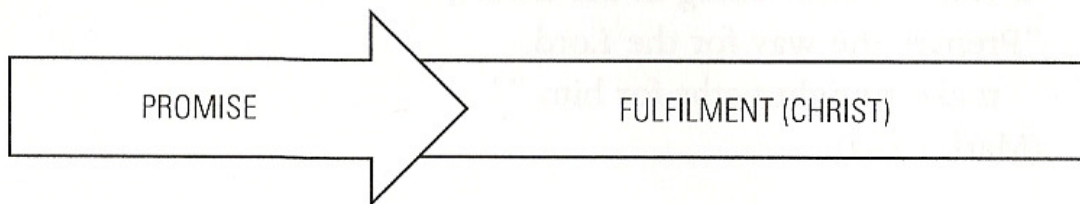
The Time Has Come.

- **Matthew 1:1-17**
- **Mark 1:1-15**
- **Luke 1**
- **John 1:1-14**

> ‘No matter how many promises God has made, they are “yes” in Christ.’ (2 Cor 1v20)
 > ‘.....blessed are your eyes because they see, and your ears because they hear. For I tell you the truth, many prophets and righteous men longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it.’ (Matthew 13v16-17).
 > ‘These are the Scriptures that testify about me’ (John 5v39)

Fulfilment in Christ

- **Horse => Car**



“to look for direct fulfilment of say Ezekiel in the 20th Century Middle East is to bypass and short-circuit the reality and the finality of what we already have in Christ as the fulfilment of those great assurances.” P.109

God’s People

- **Jesus is the true Adam**
 “...just as through the disobedience of one man (Adam) the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man (Christ) the many will be made righteous” (Rom 5v19)
- **Jesus is the true Israel**
 “Out of Egypt I called my son” (Matt 2v15)

“.. the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring-not only to those who are of the law but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us.” (Romans 4v16)

God's Place

- **Jesus is the true tabernacle: John 1:14**
- **Jesus is the true temple: John 2:19-21**

“If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.” (John 7v37-38)

God's Rule and Blessing

- **Jesus introduces the new covenant**
- **Jesus is the new king**
- **Jesus is the source of God's blessing**
- **The cross: salvation through substitution**

The four gospels

- Matthew: Jesus is the Christ of the OT Scriptures
- Mark: Jesus is the Suffering Servant who calls us to suffer too
- Luke: Jesus is the Saviour of the world.
- John: Jesus is the Son of God who gives eternal life.

The Conductor Returns

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