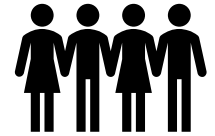
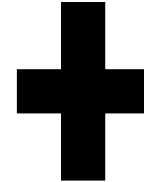
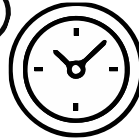



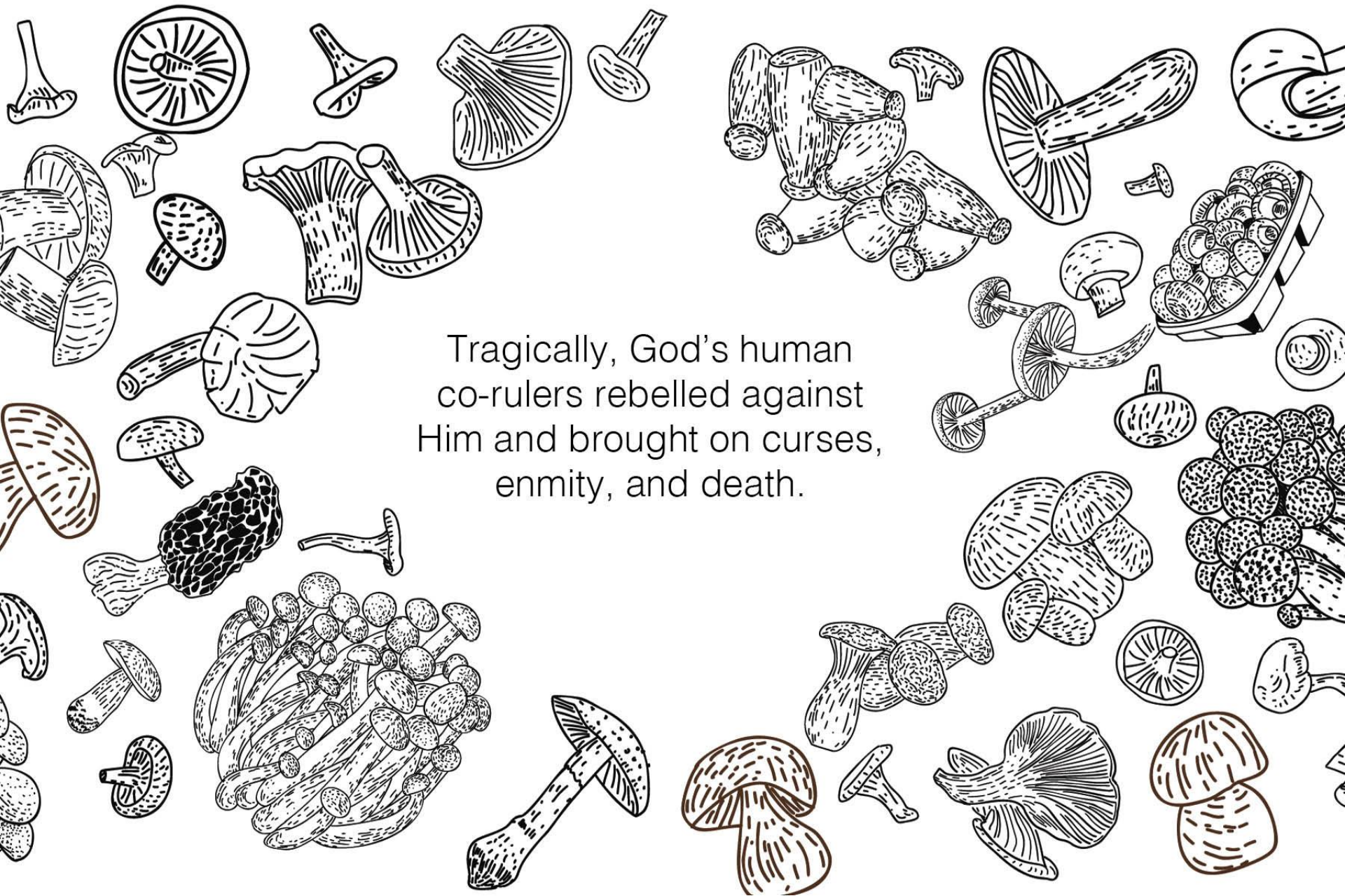
# Timeline of the Bible

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In the beginning, God created our garden-world with a plan. All-powerful and loving, He created humanity in His own image to share the task of ruling His kingdom.



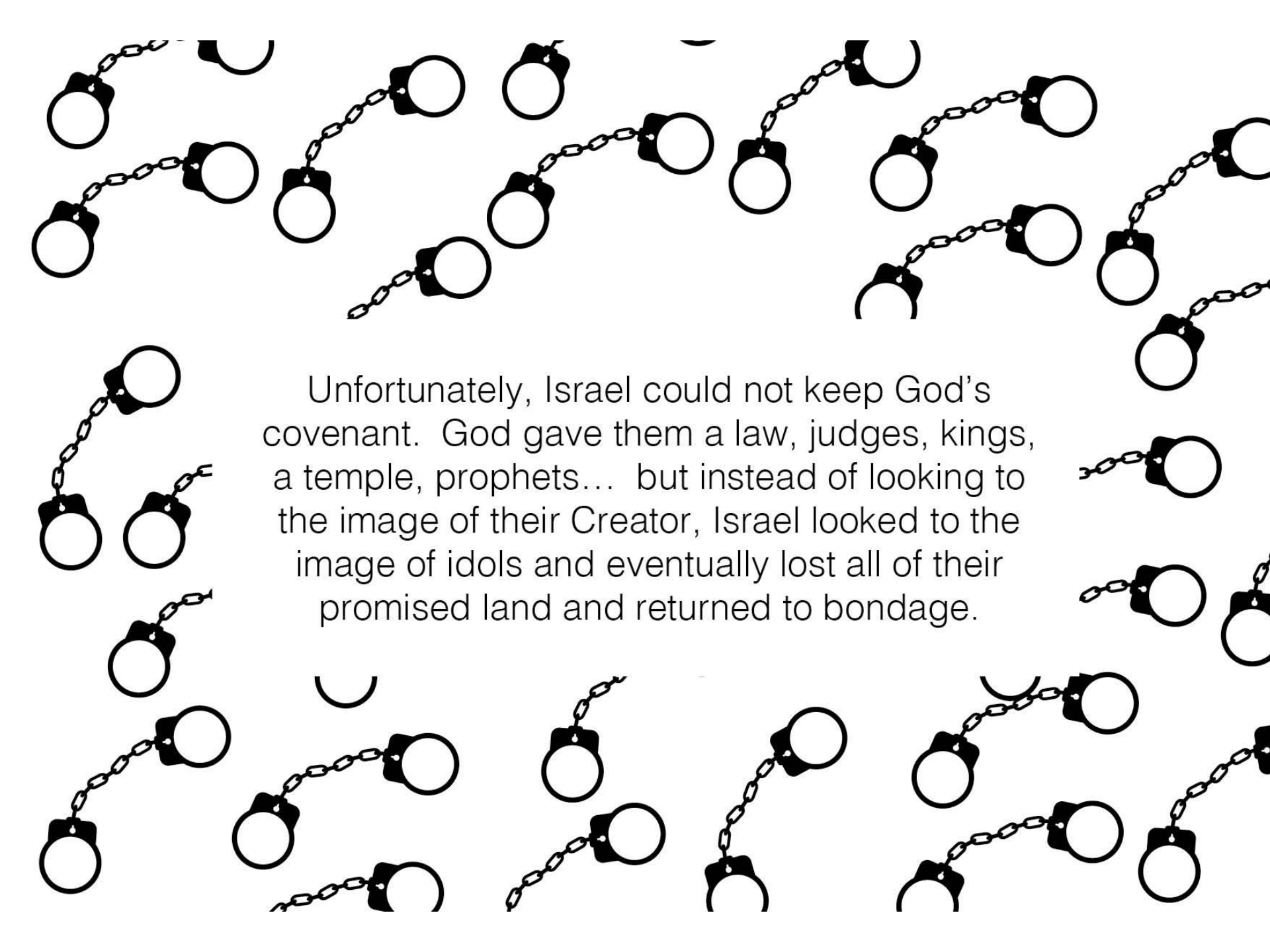
Tragically, God's human  
co-rulers rebelled against  
Him and brought on curses,  
enmity, and death.

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But God's good plan was only beginning.  
He chose a special covenant people,  
Israel, through whom He would redeem  
both humanity and the earth.

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After rescuing them from Egyptian  
bondage, God gave Israel a land for  
their own, a land flowing with milk  
and honey.



Unfortunately, Israel could not keep God's covenant. God gave them a law, judges, kings, a temple, prophets... but instead of looking to the image of their Creator, Israel looked to the image of idols and eventually lost all of their promised land and returned to bondage.



After many years, God's plan brought Israel back to their land where they waited and waited... and waited....




Until... one night God himself entered the world. As a human baby! Jesus! Finally He is here: The world's True King! Jesus embodied selfless love and showed humanity what the image of God really is. He began to heal the curses, enmity, and death.



Sadly, the humanity he came to save rejected His good plan. Meekly accepting death on a cross, this King demonstrated the true essence of godly rule: selfless love. After three days, Jesus conquered death and rose from the grave.





The subjects in Christ's kingdom -the church-  
now wait again for Him to return. We wait  
for a new creation, where all peoples will  
acknowledge their King, whose image we  
bear, and with whom we will reign forever and  
ever - just like God planned in the beginning.

