



Outline – Friday Bible Study, 13, 2018

Sermon Title: **The Structure of Scripture: “The Old Testament According To God’s Design**

The Structure of Scripture & The Message of the Gospel

1. Genesis is the Bible’s _____ Revelation is the Bible’s _____
2. “Old Testament” means the Old _____ “New Testament” means the New _____
3. What are the main sections of Jesus’ original Hebrew Old Testament? (Luke 24:44) [“*TaNaK*”]
First section: _____ Middle section(s): _____ Final section: _____
4. How does the first section reveal the gospel?
5. How do the middle sections reveal the gospel?
6. How does the final section reveal the gospel?
7. The former prophets are _____
8. The latter prophets are _____
9. How does each section of the Old Testament relate to 2 Tim 3:16?
10. **2 Tim 3:16** All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for **doctrine**, for **reproof**, for **correction**, for **instruction** in righteousness.

What was Israel’s number one duty and failure (“the evil”) the prophets focus on repeatedly?
“Number One Duty”: _____ “Number One Sin”: _____
11. What is the number one covenant blessing and covenant curse?
12. What is God’s answer to the problem of our exile from his presence? (Ps 22:1/Matt 1:23)

(Overview) 2 Kings 17 and the Downward Spiral

2 Kings 17:1–2 In the twelfth year of Ahaz king of Judah, Hoshea the son of Elah became king over Israel in Samaria and *reigned* nine years. **He did *the* evil in the sight of the LORD**, only not as the kings of Israel who were before him

2 Kings 17:6–8 In the ninth year of Hoshea, the king of Assyria captured Samaria and carried Israel away into exile to Assyria . . . Now *this* came about because the sons of Israel had sinned against the LORD . . . and they had **feared other gods** and walked in the **customs of the nations** . . .

2 Kings 17:13 **Yet the LORD warned Israel** and Judah through all His prophets *and* every seer, saying, “**Turn from your evil ways and keep My commandments**, My statutes according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you through My servants the prophets.”

2 Kings 17:15 They **rejected His statutes and His covenant** which He made with their fathers and His warnings with which He warned them.

2 Kings 17:16–17 They forsook all the commandments of the LORD their God and made for themselves **molten images**, two calves, and made an Asherah and worshiped all the host of heaven
And served Baal.

2 Kings 17:17 Then they made their sons and their daughters pass through the fire, and practiced divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the LORD, provoking Him.

2 Kings 17:18 So the LORD was very angry with Israel and removed them from His sight; none was left **except the tribe of Judah**.

2 Kings 17:20 The LORD rejected all the descendants of Israel and afflicted them and **gave them into the hand of plunderers**, until He had **cast them out of His sight**.

2 Kings 17:21–22 When He had **torn Israel from the house of David**, they made Jeroboam the son of Nebat king. Then Jeroboam drove Israel away from following the LORD and made them commit a great sin. The sons of Israel **walked in all the sins of Jeroboam** which he did; they did not depart from them

2 Kings 17:23 until **the LORD removed Israel from His sight**, as He spoke through all His servants the prophets. So Israel was carried away into exile from their own land to Assyria until this day.

2 Kings 17:28 So one of the priests whom they had carried away into exile from Samaria came and lived at Bethel, and **taught them how they should fear the LORD**.

2 Kings 17:29 **But every nation still made gods of its own** and put them in the houses of the high places which the people of Samaria had made, every nation in their cities in which they lived.

2 Kings 17:33–34 **They feared YHWH and served their own gods** according to the custom of the nations from among whom they had been carried away into exile. To this day they do according to the earlier customs: they do not fear YHWH, nor do they follow their statutes or their ordinances or **the law**.