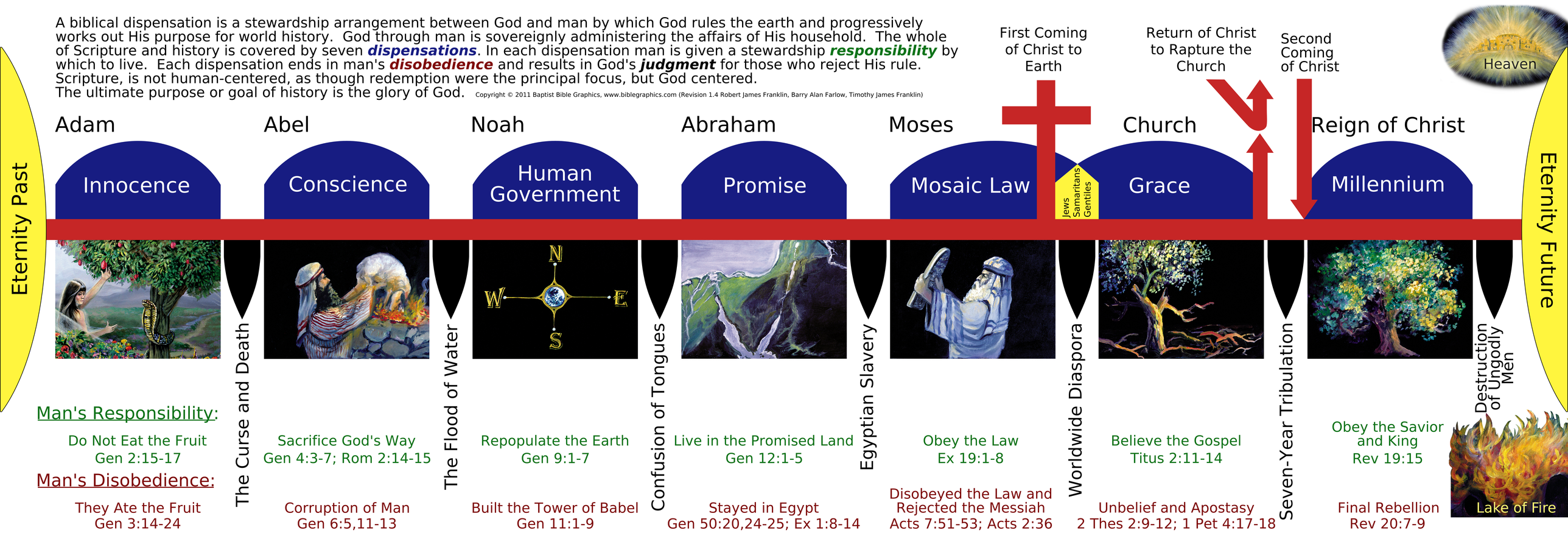
A biblical dispensation is a stewardship arrangement between God and man by which God rules the earth and progressively works out His purpose for world history. God through man is sovereignly administering the affairs of His household. The whole of Scripture and history is covered by seven ***dispensations***. In each dispensation man is given a stewardship ***responsibility*** by which to live. Each dispensation ends in man's ***disobedience*** and results in God's ***judgment*** for those who reject His rule. Scripture, is not human-centered, as though redemption were the principal focus, but God centered.
The ultimate purpose or goal of history is the glory of God.

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