CHRIST: in Creation to New Creation

Genesis 1.1: "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

Revelation 21.1: "Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more."

CREATION … FALL … 'LONGING' … REDEMPTION … NEW CREATION

"ALL the arcs bend toward CHRIST!"

Old Testament
Luke 24.25-27, 44-45
1 Peter 1.10-11

New Testament
Revelation 19.10
Revelation 22.16
Revelation 21.5

CREATION

'CHRIST-markers in the Old Testament'

- **PRESENCE** of CHRIST
- **PURPOSE OF GOD** in CHRIST
- **PICTURES/Types** of CHRIST ['Pre-enactments']
- **PROMISES/PROPHECIES** of CHRIST
- **'PININGS'** for CHRIST [wistful and wishful 'longing' for a Redeemer to come **Lk 2.25, 38** … chiefly from the failures of man to fulfill their hopes]

CHRIST

- GOSPEL
- Cross
- Resurrection
- Redemption
- Reconciliation
- New Creation

Ephesians 1.9-10
Colossians 1.15-20
2 Corinthians 5.17-21
Revelation 21.1-7

Ephesians 1.9-10: "…to unite all things in Him, things in heaven and things on earth."

Colossians 1.20: "…and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven…"

NEW CREATION

Read the Bible:

- continuously (all the time)
- contiguously (connecting/adjoining all the parts to one another)
- contextually (literary [genre, language], historical, cultural, etc. – authorial intent)
- comprehensively (all of it)
- CHRISTOLOGICALLY (see above)

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