



# **A Biblical Partitioning of Human History**

# Ages of Man...

# Age of the Earth?

- 6 easy to remember steps
  - Jesus
  - Zerubbabel / Restoration / Return from Captivity
  - David
  - Moses
  - Patriarchs
  - Noah
  - Adam

# 2000

## Industrial Revolution

Coal ~ 1765

Gas / Electricity ~ 1870

Nuclear Fission ~ 1955

Nuclear Fusion ~ 2050(?)

# 2000

## Transportation Revolution

Horseless Carriage ~ 1803

Automobile ~ 1886

Atmospheric Flight ~ 1903

Supersonic Flight ~ 1947

Space Flight ~ 1961

# 2000

## Communication Revolution

Telegraph → Telephone

Radio → Television

Towers → Satellite

Library → Internet

# 2000

## Data Processing Revolution

Vacuum Tube

Semiconductors

Digital Computers

Quantum Computers

2000

Bible Availability



1500

Columbus ~ 1492

1500

Religious Reformation

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Printing Press ~ 1455

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Tyndale NT (MSS) ~ 1525

**1000**

**Middle Ages**

**Guido D'Arezzo**

**Musical Reformation**

500

Rome Fallen

Middle Ages Start

Catholic Church

Social / Political

0

Jesus

2000 years ago

500 BC

Zerubbabel

City is Rebuilt

Wall is Rebuilt

Temple is not Rebuilt



1000 BC

King David

1500 BC

Moses

2000 BC

Patriarchs

Abraham

Isaac

Jacob → Israel

2500 BC

Noah

Flood

4000 BC

Adam

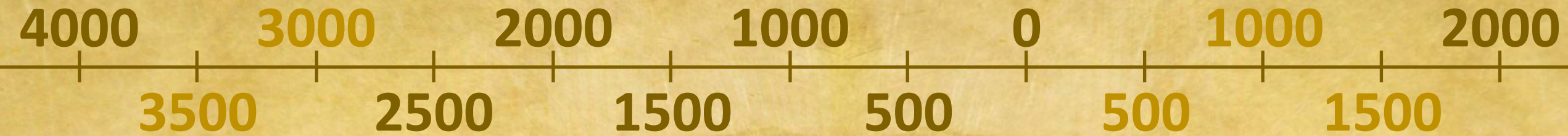
6<sup>th</sup> Day

6000 Years

Adam - Patriarchs - David - Jesus - Middle Ages - Today  
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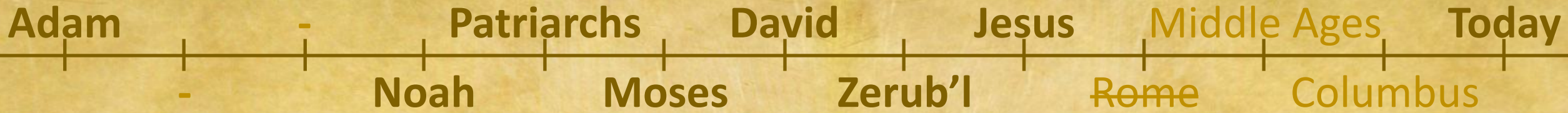
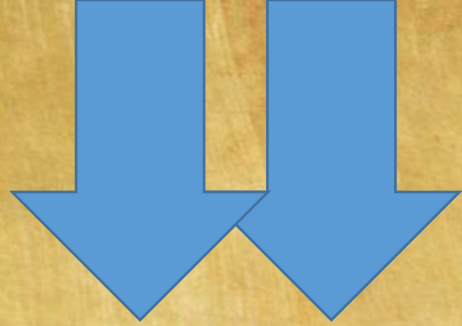


6000 Years



- 6 easy to remember steps...

0	Jesus
500	Zerubbabel / Restoration / Return from Captivity
1000	David
1500	Moses
2000	Patriarchs
2500	Noah
4000	Adam



## Patriarchs to Moses

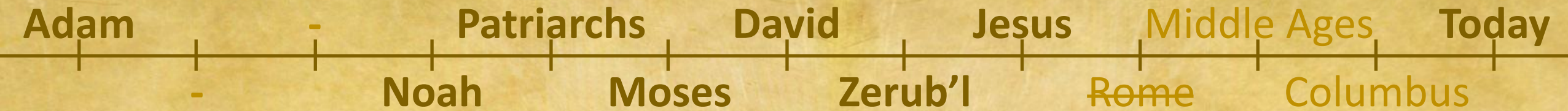
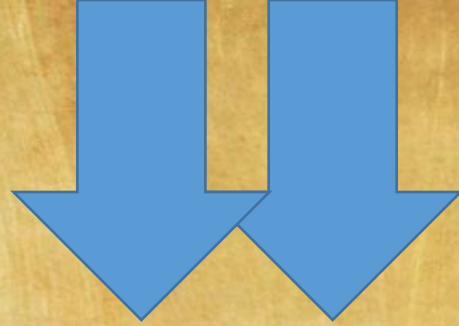
Genesis 15:13

Children of Israel  
will be afflicted for  
400 years

Exodus 12:40

Exactly 430 years  
the Children of Israel  
Lived in Egypt





## Moses to David

- Period of the Judges have challenges
- No longer detailed genealogical records
- 1 Kings 6:1 Solomon starts the temple 480 years after the exodus from Egypt.

6000 Years

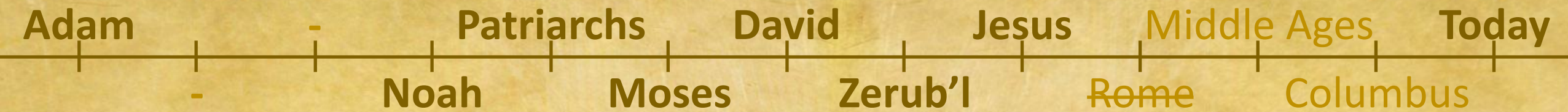
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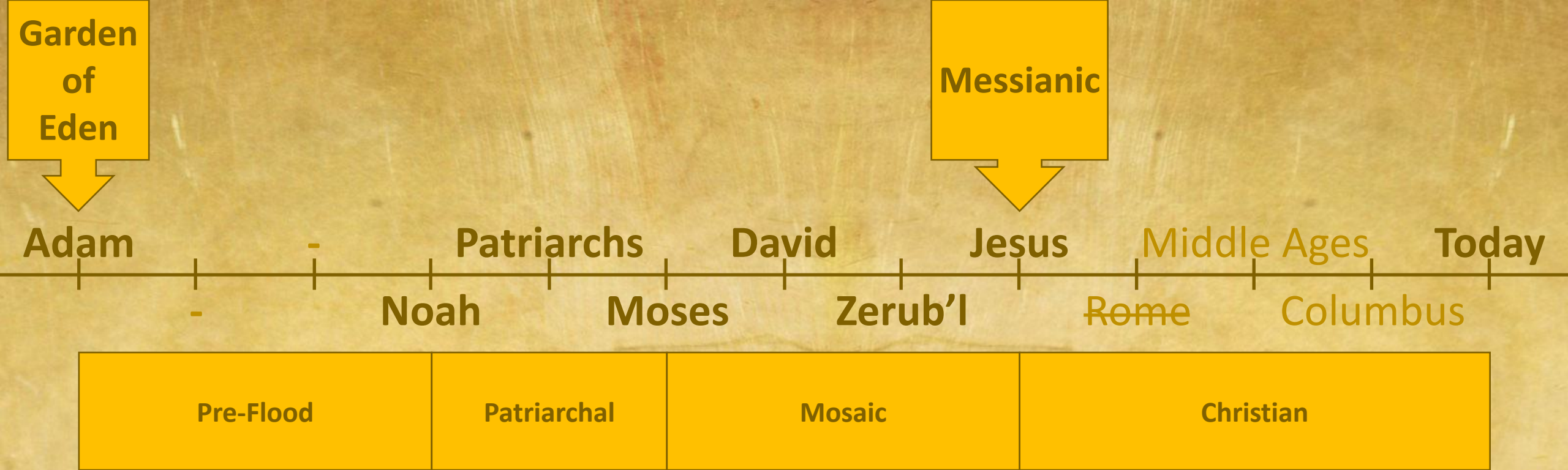
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- God's Law for Man
- God's Interaction during Transitions



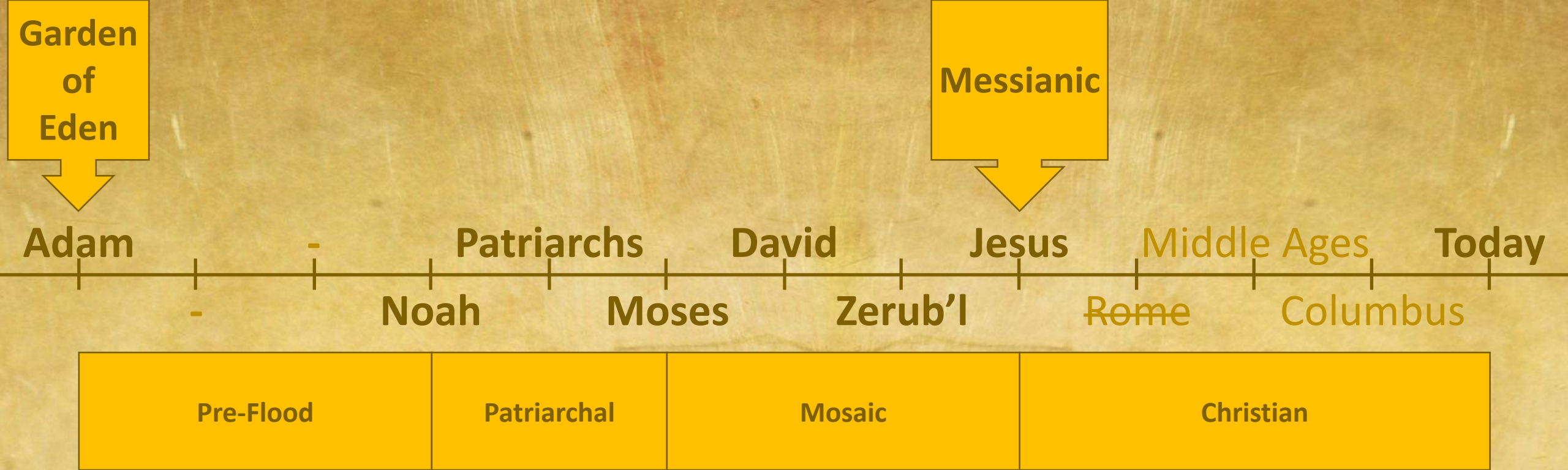
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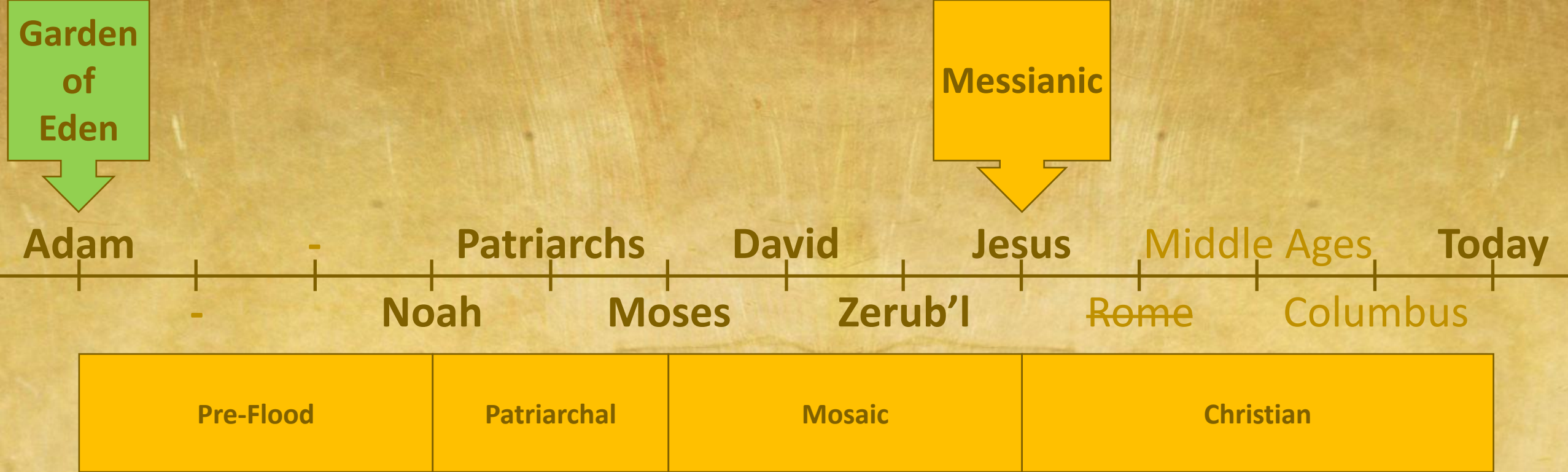


Pre-Flood

Patriarchal

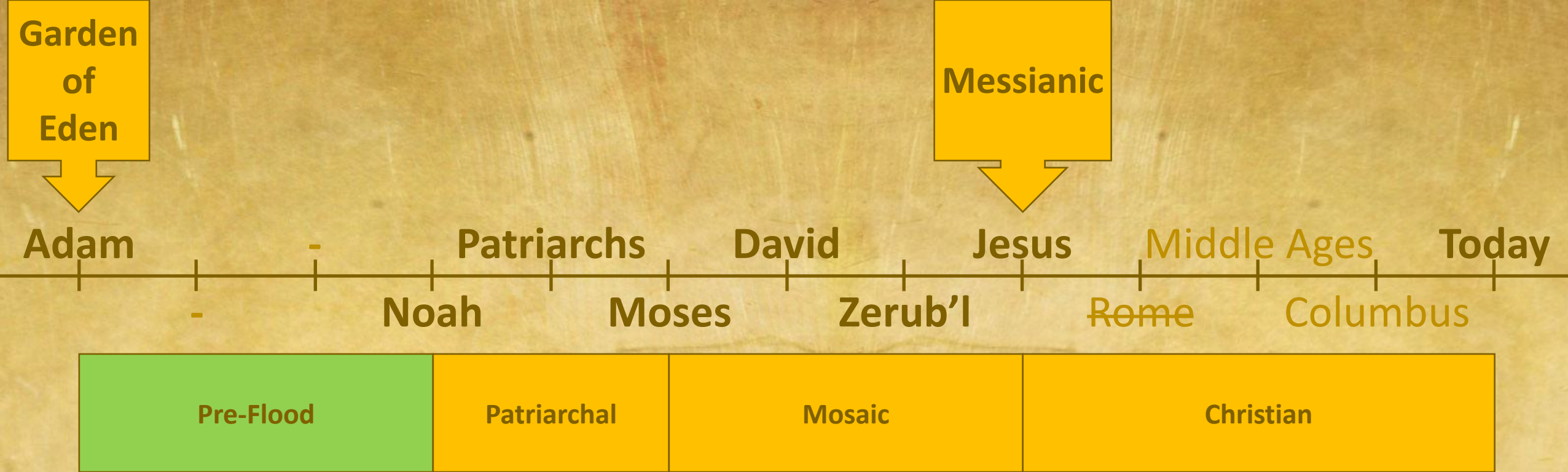
Mosaic

Christian



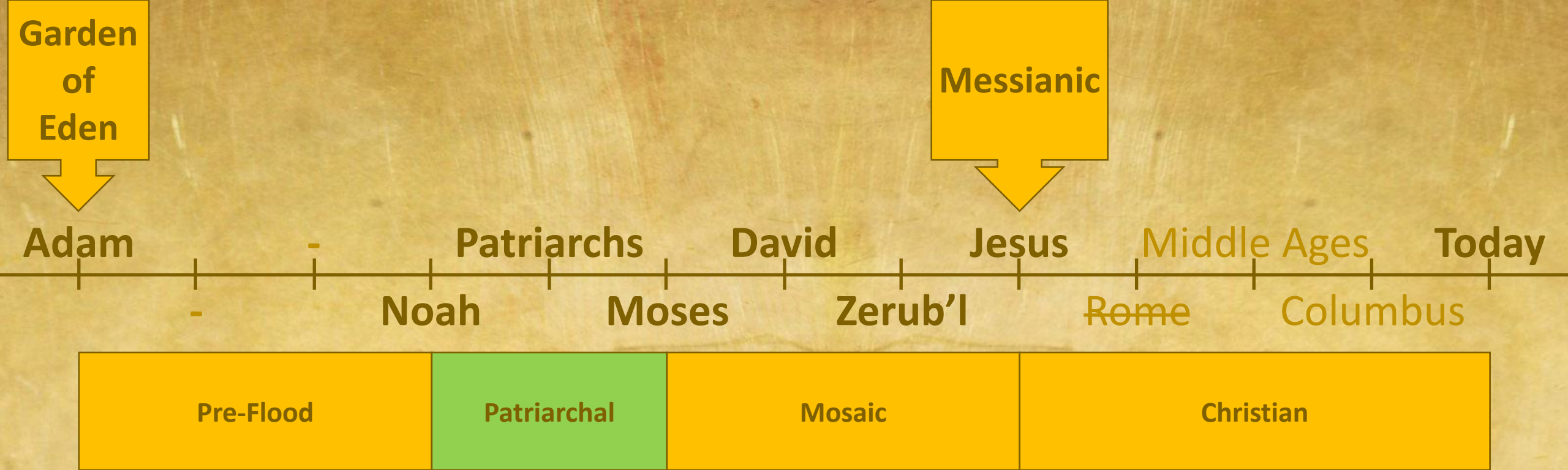
# Garden of Eden

- Direct Access to God
  - Gen 3:8 → God walked in the garden
- Direct Access to the Tree of Life
  - Gen 2:9 → In the midst of the garden
- Man hid from God
  - Gen 3:8 → Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of God.
- God removes man from his presence.



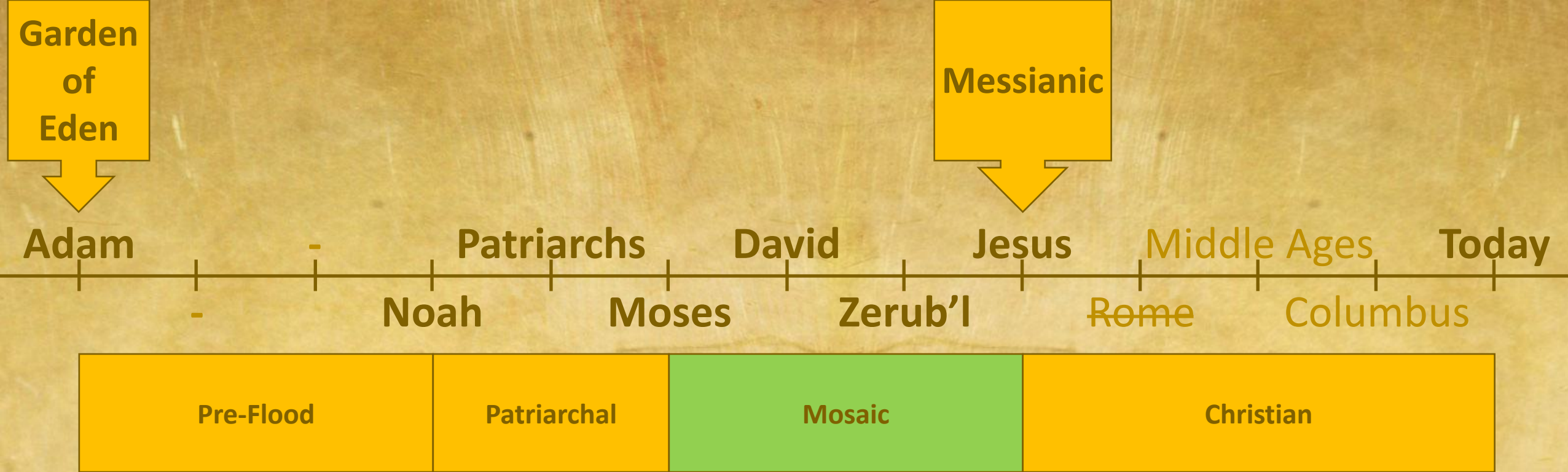
## Pre-Flood Era

- Consequences of Man's Sin was the curses.
- Man still "walked with God"
  - Gen 5:22 → Enoch
  - Gen 6:9 → Noah
- Sacrifices to God
- Mankind continued to separated himself from God.
- God looked at his creation and he was sorry
  - Gen 6:3 → God's shall not strive with man



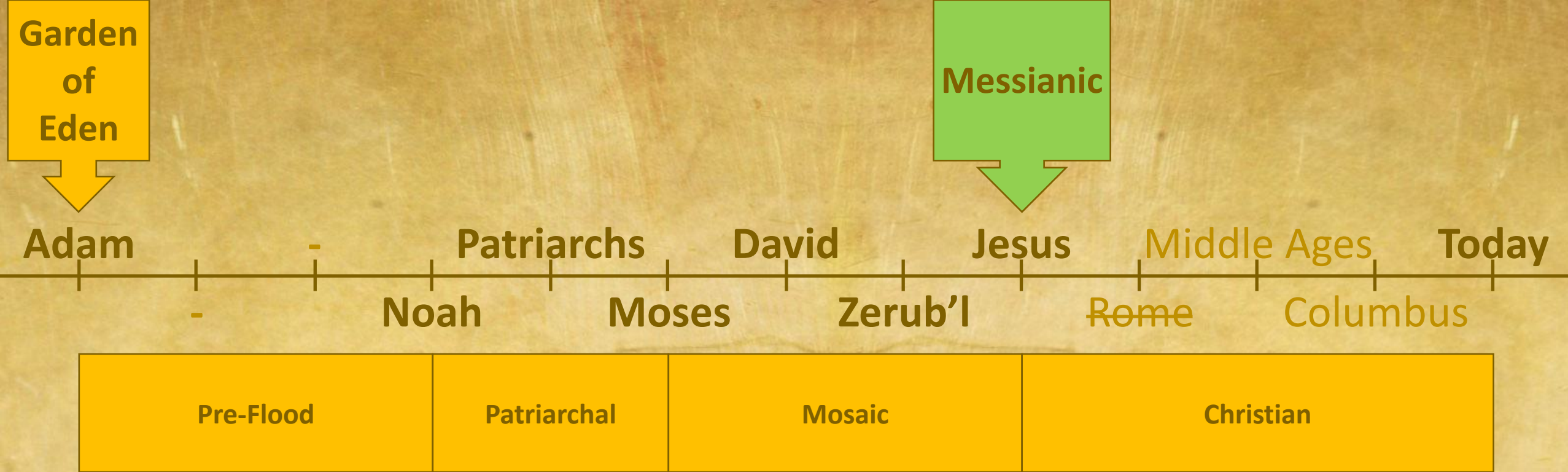
# Patriarchal Era

- Sacrifices continue to God
- Priests are needed
- Man “walked before God”
  - Gen 17:1 → Abraham
- God would visit man
  - Angels to Abraham



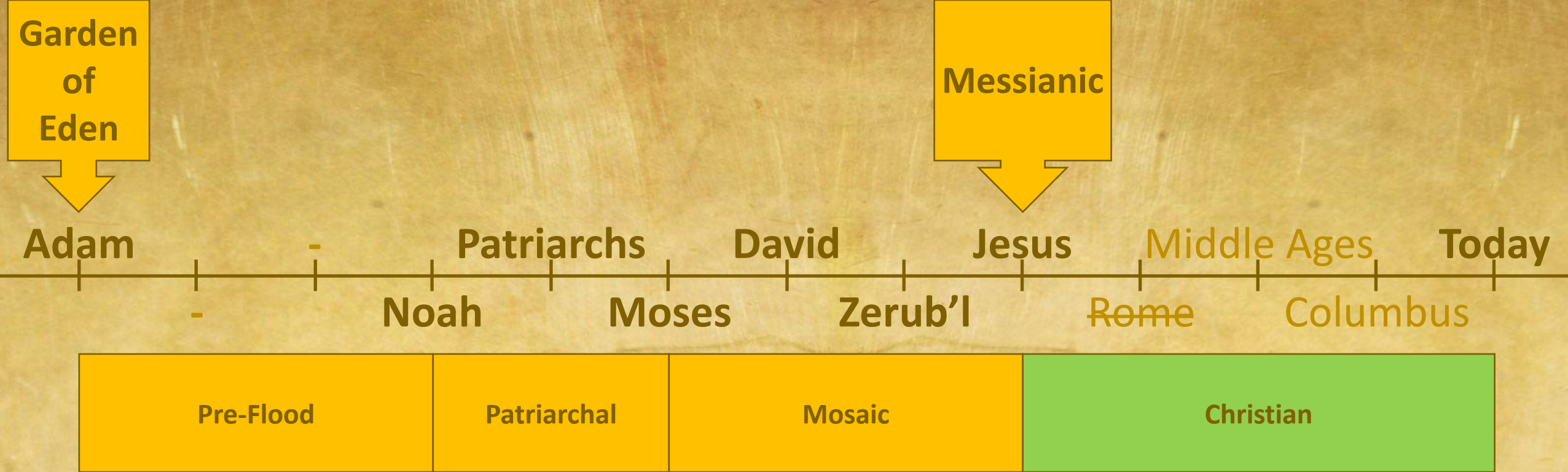
## Mosaic Era

- Priests and Sacrifices are associated; also types.
- Reverent presence of God is before the Nation.
- Man continues to “walk before God”
  - 1 Kings 9:4 → David
  - 2 Chr 6:16 → Solomon
- God continues to visit man
- God sends prophets
  - 5 fold message



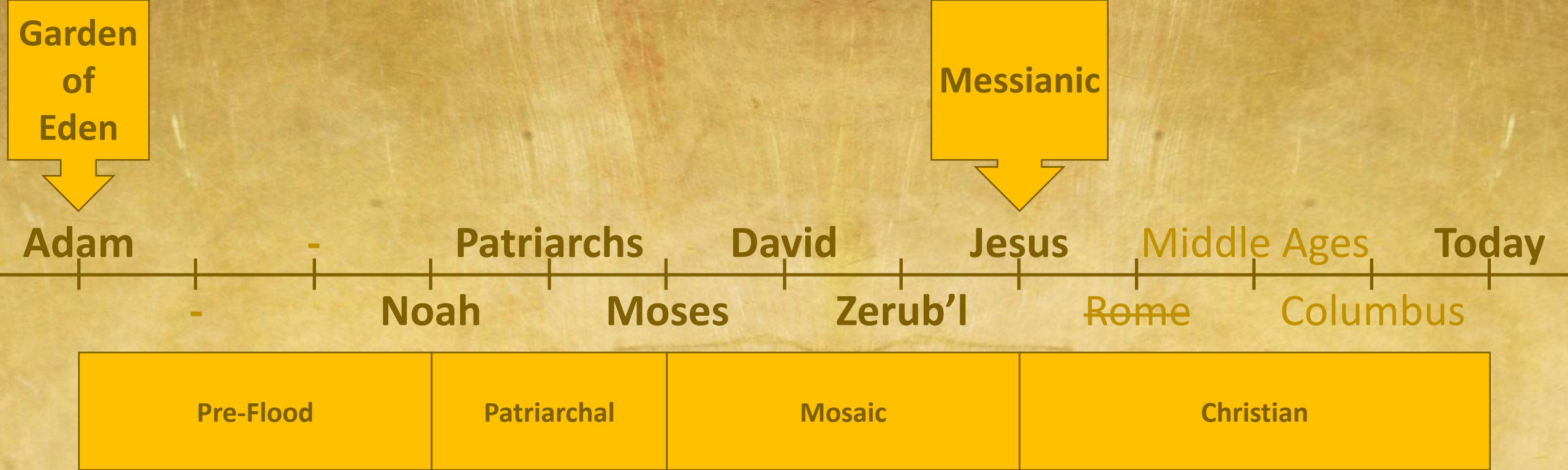
## Messianic Era

- Born of a virgin, Emmanuel means “God with Us”
- Man again has Direct Access to God, albeit temporary
  - God walks with Man (Emmanuel), preaches repentance
- Man separates himself from God again.
  - Ultimate Sacrifice is freely presented and offered
  - God would send the helper



## Christian Era

- Animal sacrifices are no longer required
- God dwells in man
  - Man is adopted through confession and baptism
  - Man is separated through sin
  - Man is restored through confession and repentance
- The helper, the Holy Spirit, guides man to a complete understanding of salvation
- Jesus will remove Names and “Candlesticks”.



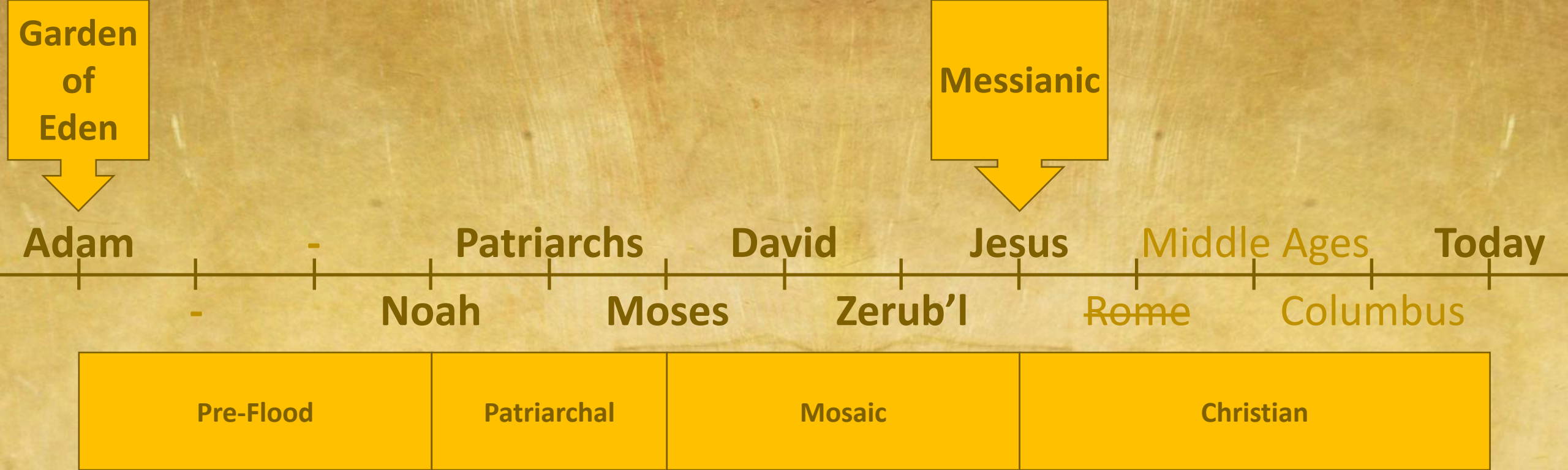
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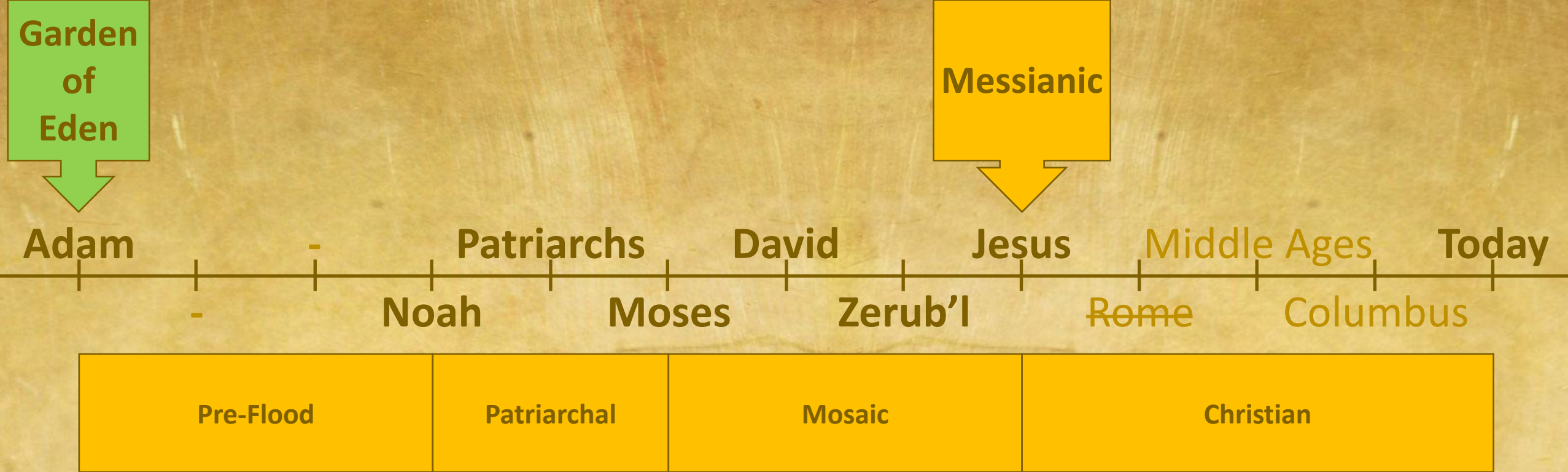
- Man has always had access to God in varying degrees.
- Man loses access to God when man sins.
- Man regains access to God when man repents.
- God desires a relationship with man.





# God's Law for Man





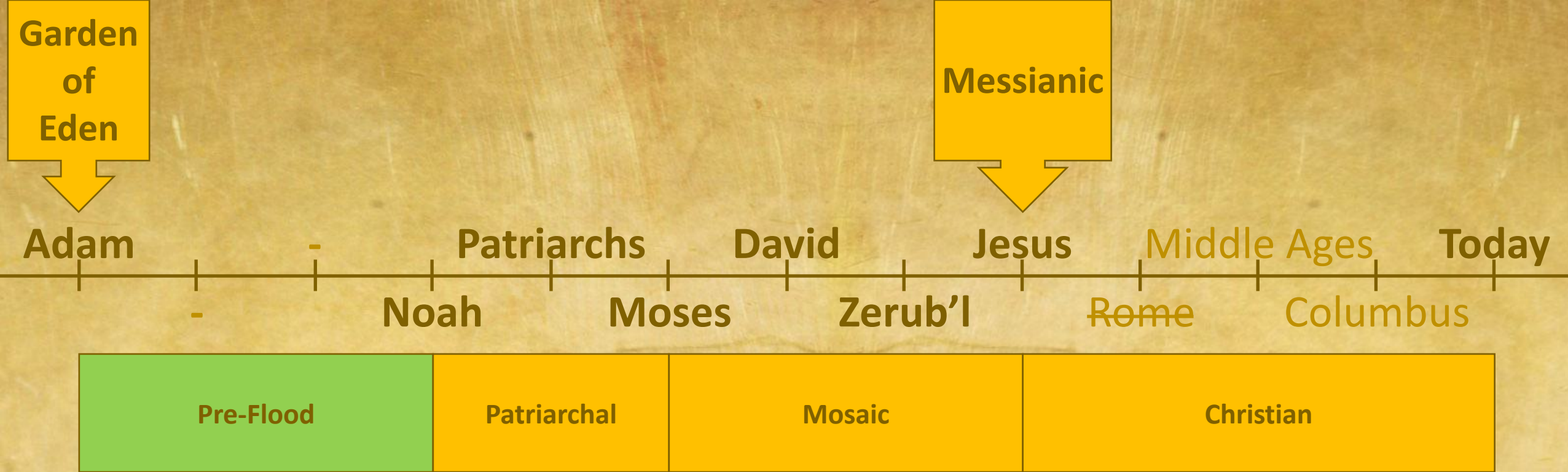
# Garden of Eden

## • God's Law

- Dominion (1:26)
- Procreate (1:28)
  - Be fruitful and multiply
  - Fill and subdue the Earth
- Food (1:29)
  - Herbs and Trees
  - Tree of Knowledge (2:9,17)
- Family Equality (2:20,3:16)

## • Man's Work

- Procreate (1:28)
- Till the ground (2:5)
- Cultivate the Garden (2:15)
- Freely eat in the Garden (2:16)
- Name the Animals (2:19)
- Family Unity (2:25)



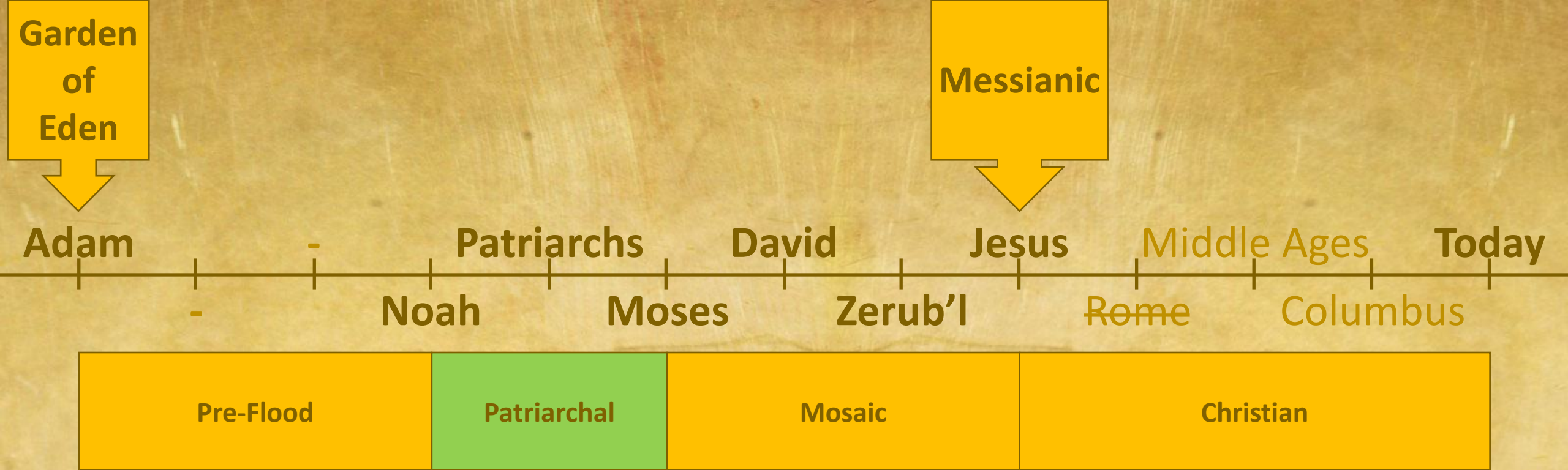
## Pre-Flood Era

- God's Law

- Family Hierarchy (3:16)
- Modesty (3:21)
- Worship (4:3-5)
- Control over Sin (4:7)
  - Murder (4:10)
  - Wickedness / Evil (6:5)
  - Violence (6:11)

- Man's Work

- Rule the family (Gen 3:16)
- Till the Ground (2:6,3:22)
- Labor for food (3:19)
  - Work the Ground (4:2)
  - Livestock (4:2, 4:20)
  - Entertain (4:21)
  - Metalwork (4:22)
- Procreate (4:1)
- Quality Sacrifices (4:4-5)



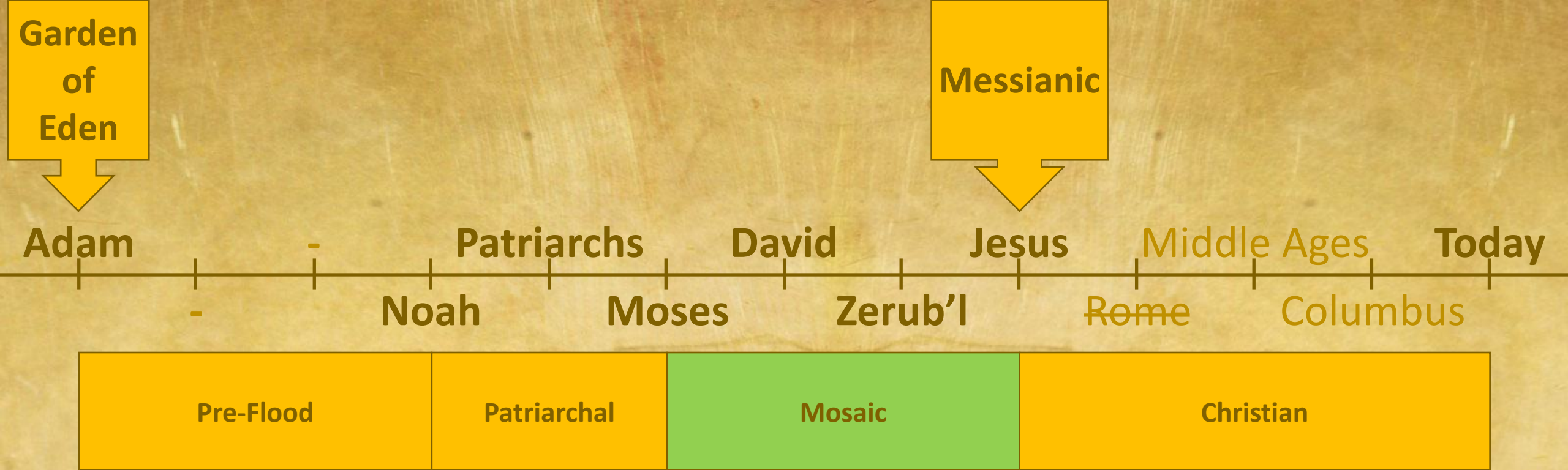
# Patriarchal Era

- God's Law

- Procreate (9:1,9:7)
- Dominion (9:2)
- Food (9:3)
  - Herbs, Trees\*
  - Animals, Blood
- Control over Sin (9:23)
  - Murder (9:6)
  - Modesty (9:21-25)
- Rainbow (Covenant)
  - Water will not destroy the earth

- Man's Work

- Quality Sacrifices
  - Noah (8:20-21a)
  - Abram (12:8, 13:4)
- Procreate (8:17, 9:1, 9:7, 9:21)
- Labor for food (8:22)
  - Curse removed (8:21b) (Covenant)
  - Work the Ground (9:20)
  - Hunt (10:9)
  - Bricks / Mortar (11:3)
  - Livestock (13:2)
- Priests
  - Melchizedek (14:18)
  - Jethro (2:18)



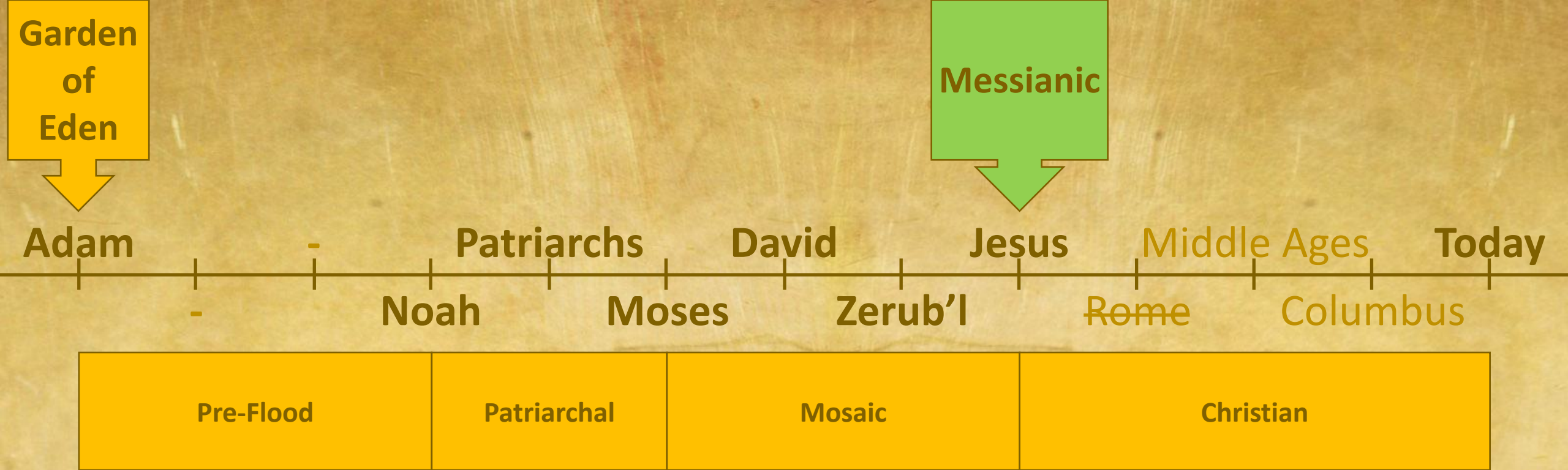
# Mosaic Era

- God's Law

- Ten Commandments (What)
  - Receiving (Ex. 20: 1-17)
  - Review (Duet. 5: 6-21)
- Pentateuch (Who, Why, How)
  - Genesis ~ Corrective Text
  - Exodus ~ Redemption
  - Leviticus ~ Sanctification
  - Numbers ~ Purification
  - Deuteronomy ~ Preparation

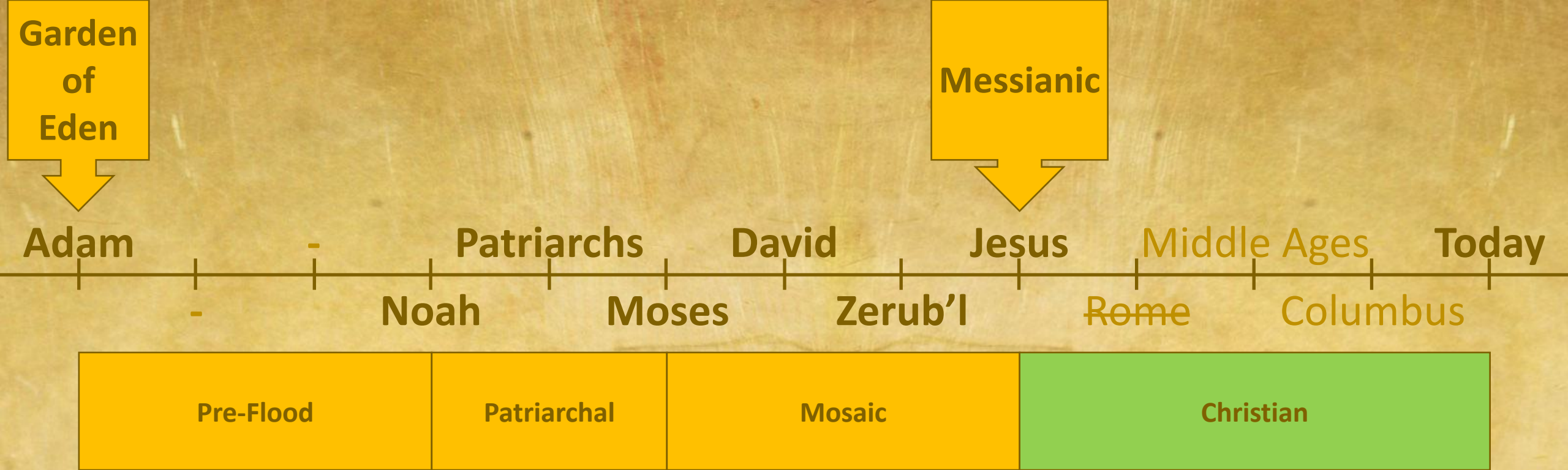
- Man's Work

- Priests
  - Levites
- Quality Worship
  - Tabernacle / Temple
  - First Fruits / Free Will Offerings
- Purge the Land (Judges)
- Cultivate the Land (failed)
- Teach the Children (failed)
- Teach the Foreigners (failed)
- Fear God / Keep Commandments
- Repentance / Prophets



# Messianic Era

- God's Law (Tanakh)
  - Pentateuch (Torah)
  - Prophets (Nevi'im)
    - Repentance
  - Poetry (Ketuvim)
- Man's Law
  - Oral Traditions (Mishnah)
  - Written Traditions (Talmud)
- Man's Work
  - Priests
    - Levites
  - Quality Worship
    - Tabernacle
    - Temple
  - Teach the Children
  - Teach the Foreigners
  - Look for the Messiah



# Christian Era

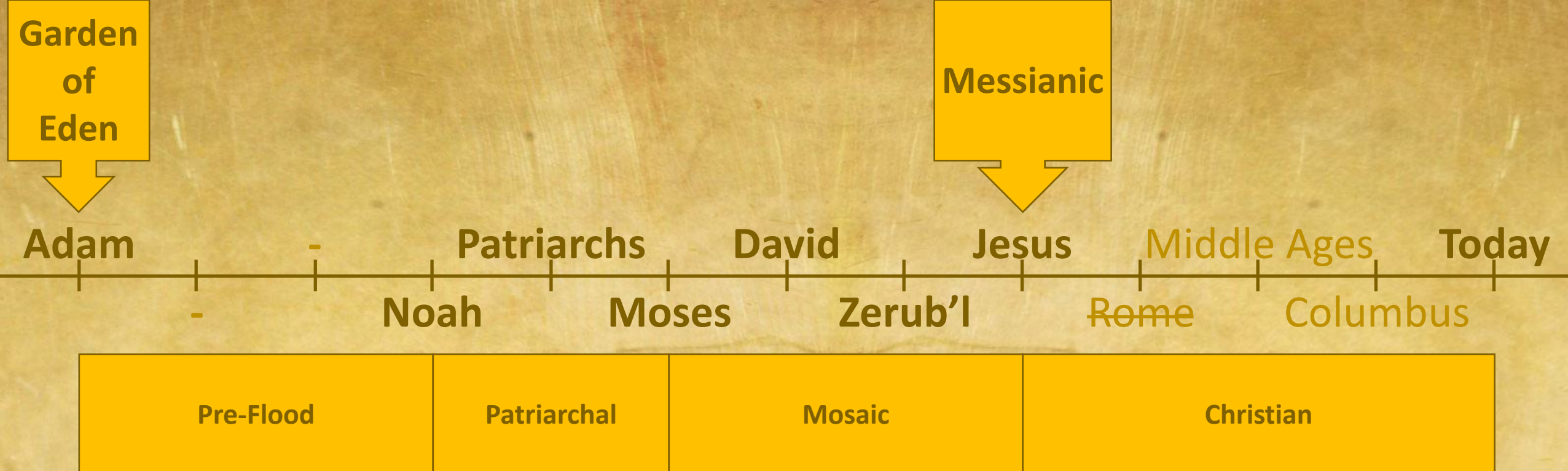
- **God's Law**

- Delivered by the Spirit
- Taught by Man
- Gospel ("Good News")
- Forgiveness of Sins
- Adoption as Children
- Royal Priesthood
- Resist Sin
- Church

- **Man's Work**

- Obedience
- Provide for the Family
  - Spiritually / Physically
- Teach your Children
- Teach your Neighbors
- Look for the Messiah's return



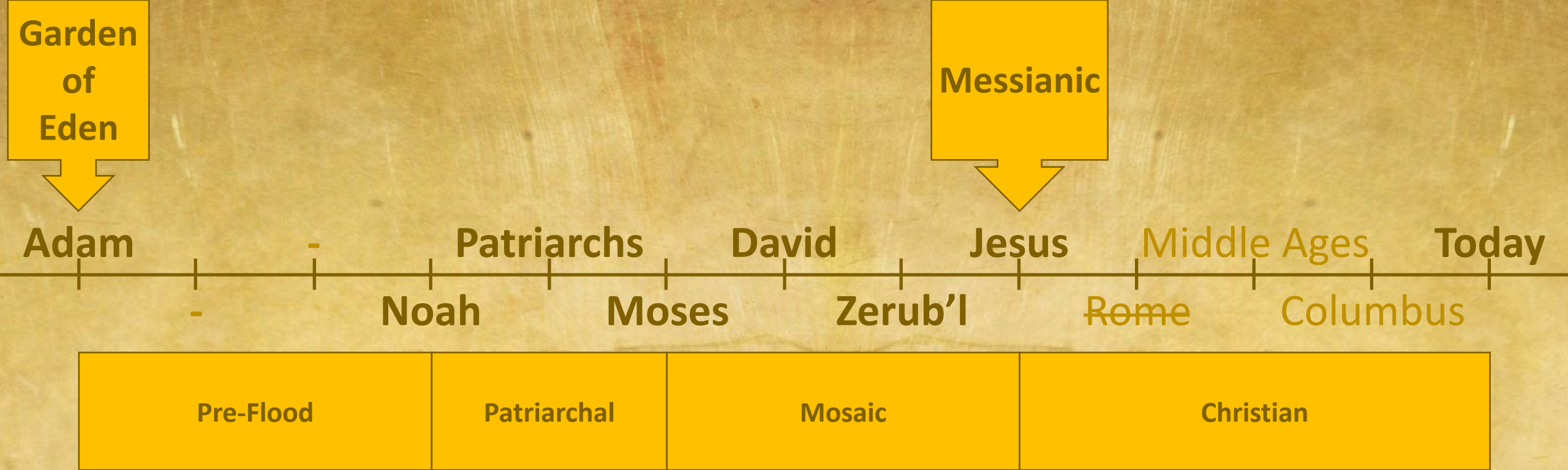


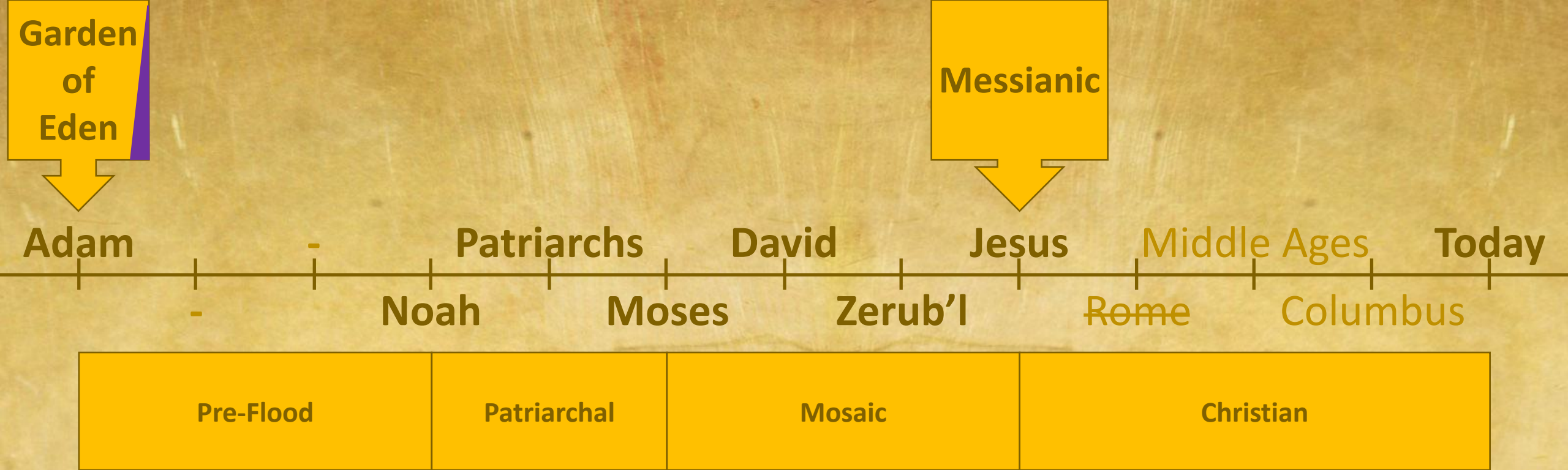
## Application

- Man has always had Laws to set boundaries.
- Man has free will and accountability.
- Man has always had work, even in the Garden.
- God desires man to work, and not be idle.
  - Will we fail to do the work God has for us?
- Resisting Sin requires Mental and Spiritual work.



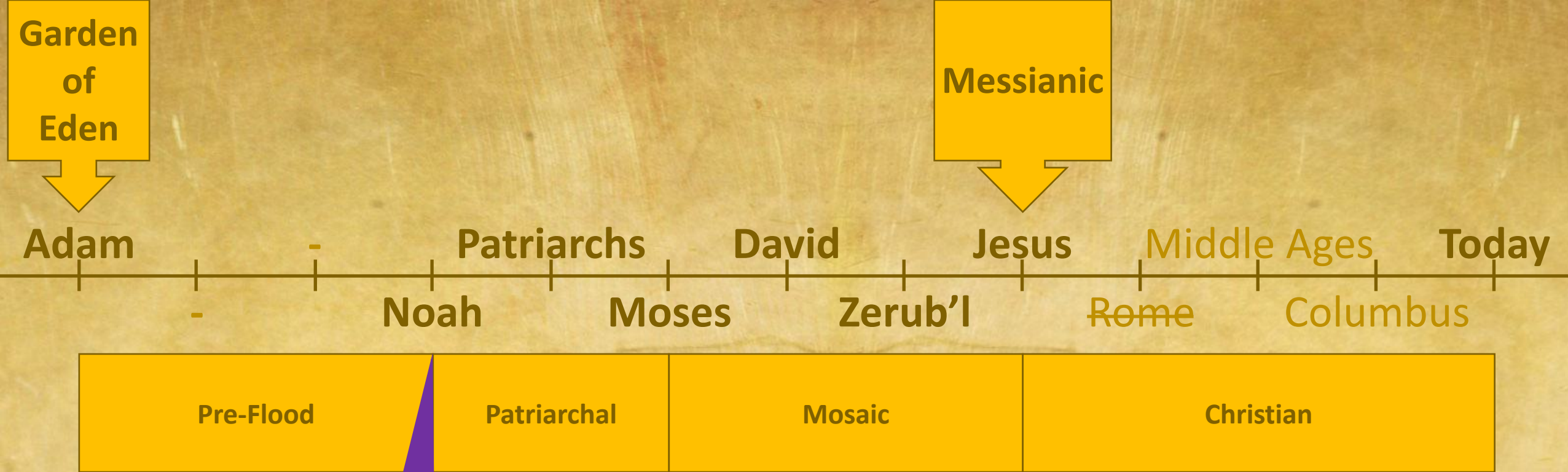
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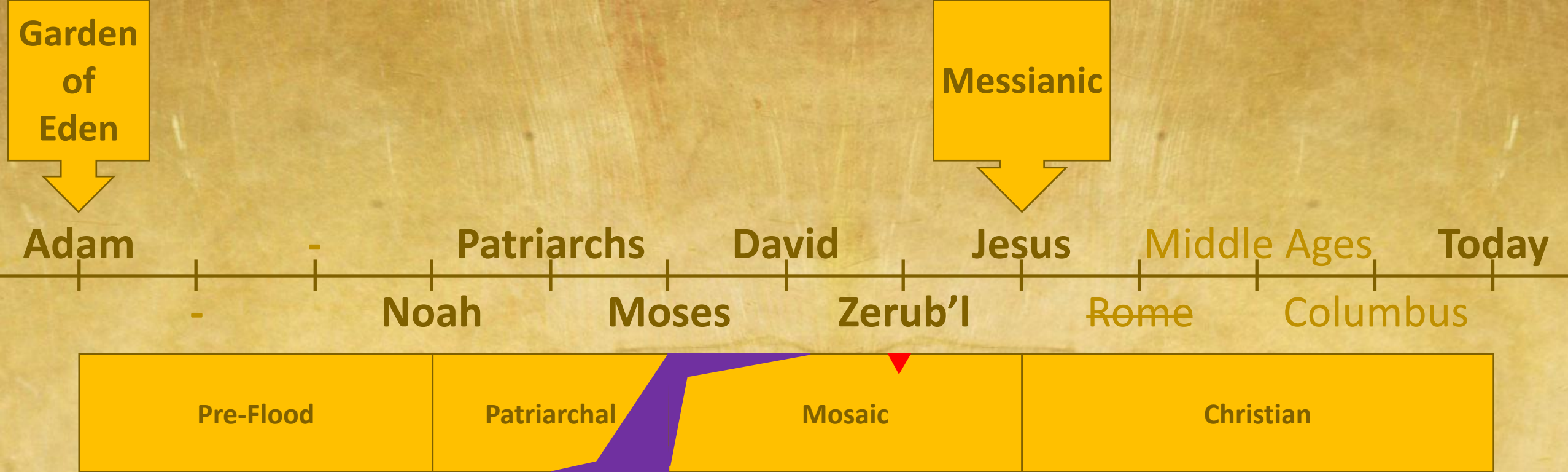
# Garden of Eden → Pre-Flood Era

- Satan deceives Eve
- Adam and Eve eat of The Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil
- God confronts Adam and Eve with their Sin
- God outlines the consequences of all parties involved
- God provides cloths for Adam and Eve
- God evicts Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden



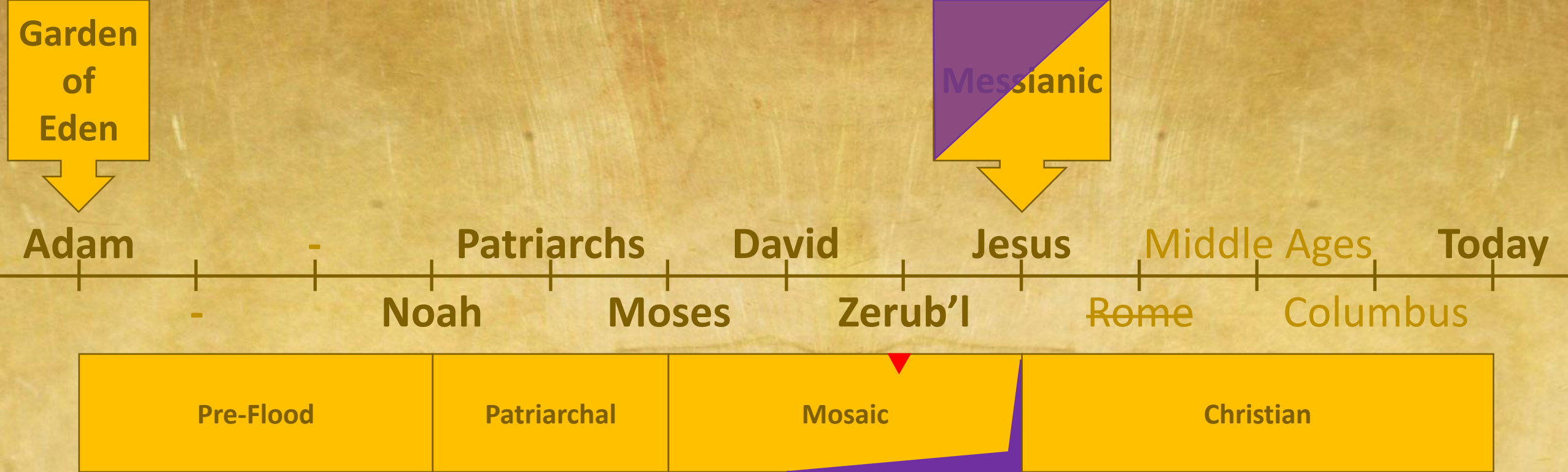
## Pre-Flood → Patriarchal Era

- God determines to destroy the world with water.
- God preserves mankind and animal kind through the Ark
- The world as it was known before the flood perished. 2 Pet 3:6
- Earth was reset to a state very similar to Creation, just not exact.
- Earth existed with the consequences of the flood.
  - Recommend "Is Genesis History?"



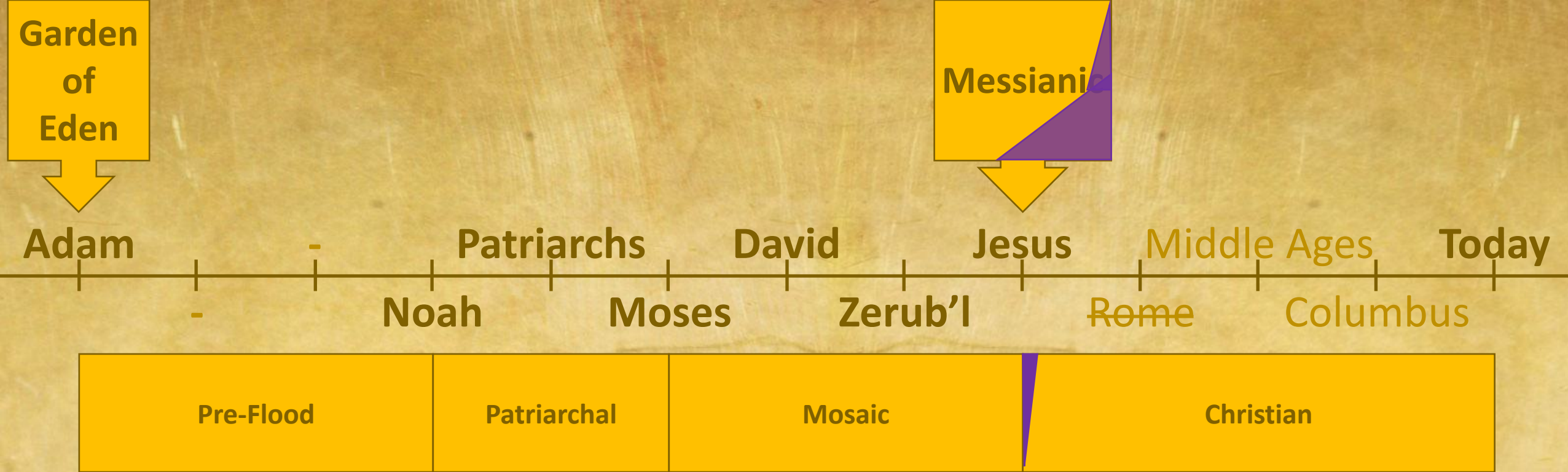
## Patriarchal → Mosaic Era

- Abraham called out from Ur
  - Covenant of Circumcision (Gen 17:10-14)
- Israel's family saved in Egypt / Great Nation promise
- Wealth of the world channeled into Egypt
- Jethro talking to Moses (example of Patriarchal Leadership)
- Delivered from Egypt through Moses / The Ten Commandments
- Conquest with Joshua / Land promise



## Mosaic → Messianic Era

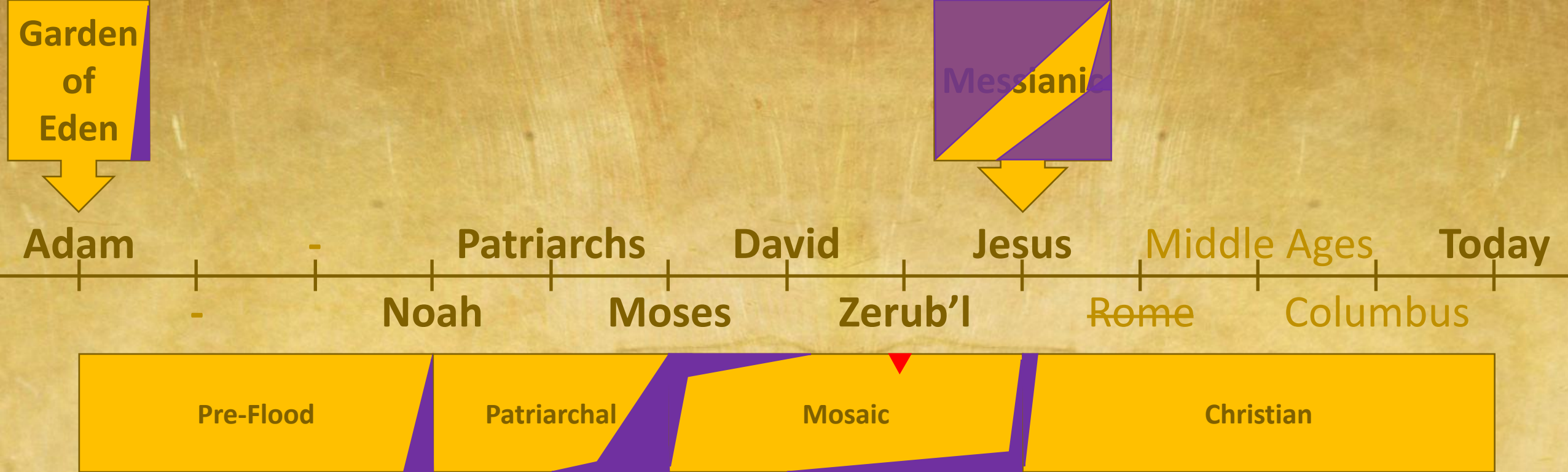
- Prophets sent to Israel (northern kingdom)
- Prophets sent to Judah (southern kingdom)
- Five fold message of the Prophets
- Angels announce the birth of John and Jesus
- Birth of John / Jesus starts the fulfillment of prophesy



## Messianic → Christian Era

- Jesus declares that he must be about God the Father's business.
- John, then Jesus, teach Baptism unto Repentance
- Jesus fulfills the Law and Prophets → Death, Burial, Resurrection
- Selection of Apostle (example of Era)
- Pentecost (Acts 2)
- Complete word is revealed; spiritual gifts no longer needed.



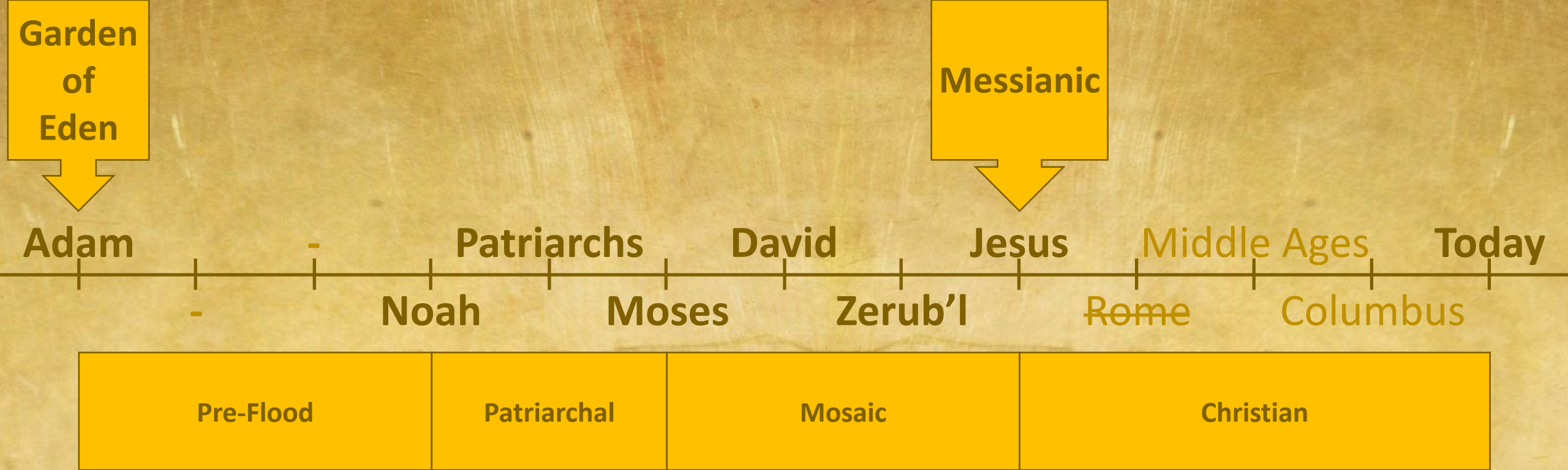


# Application

- Transitions are periods of change.
  - God is adjusting rules and boundaries for Man
  - Context is critical in applying authority to God's Law
  - God is patient and longsuffering with Man
  - God commands respect and attention
    - Nadab and Abihu
    - Ananias and Sapphira
  - Commandments can be transition specific
  - The world will be destroyed when Jesus returns.



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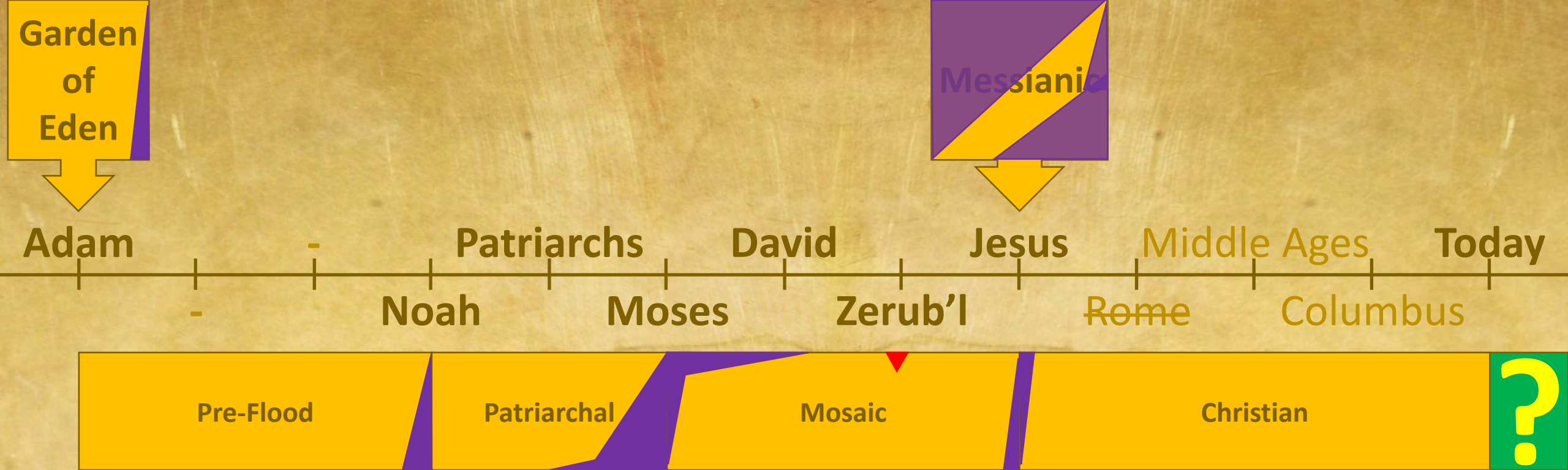


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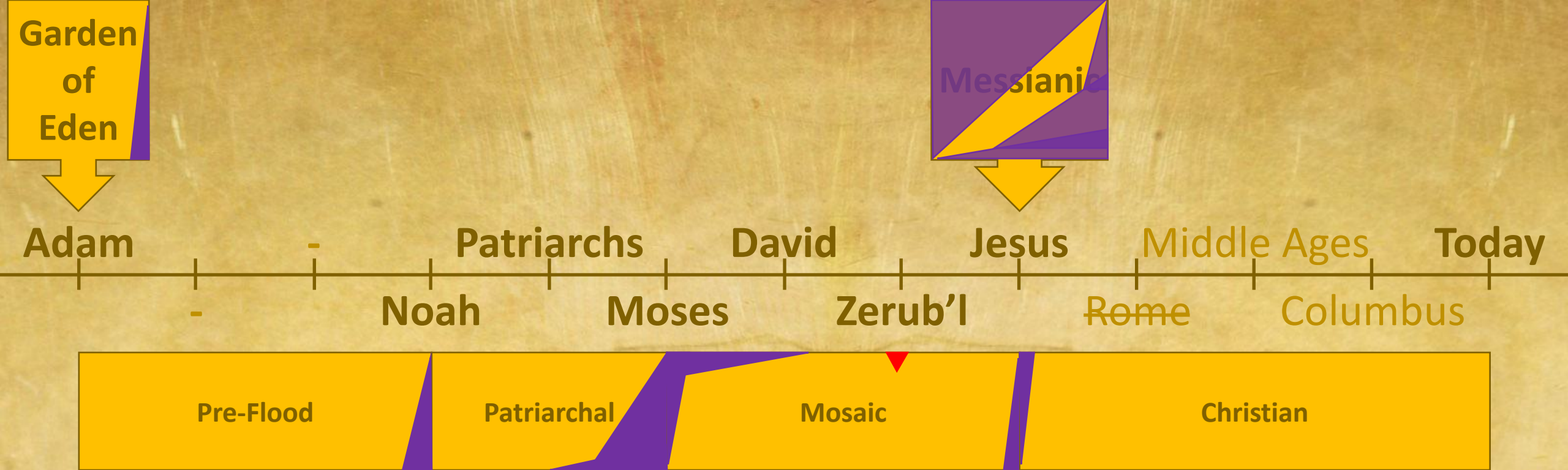
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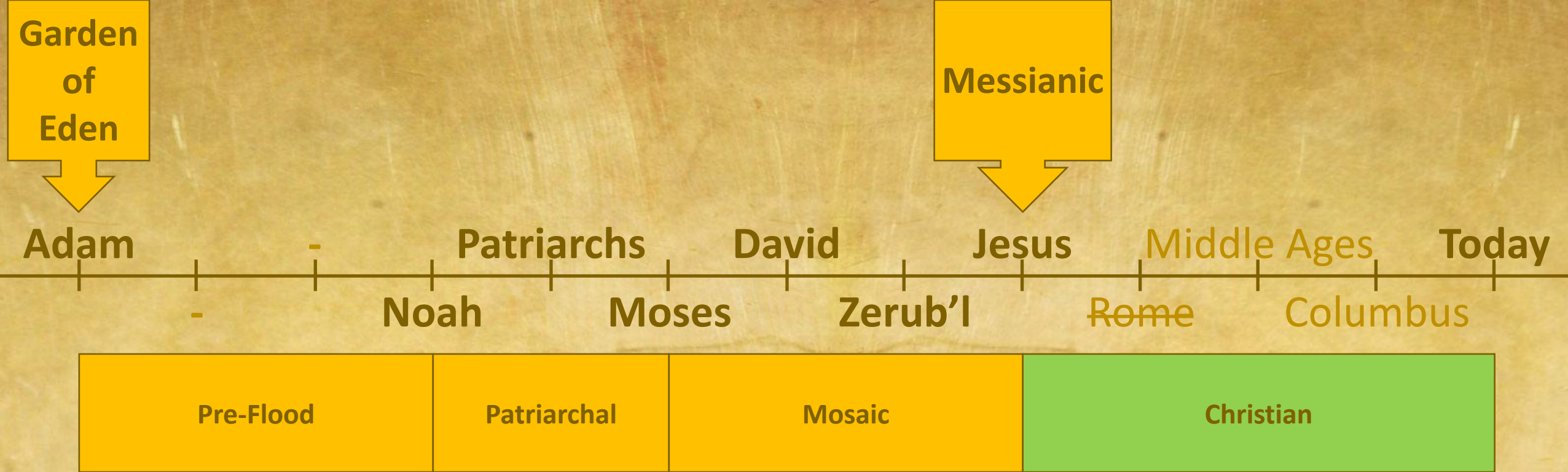
Christian

Eternity

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**Matt 24:44 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.**



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