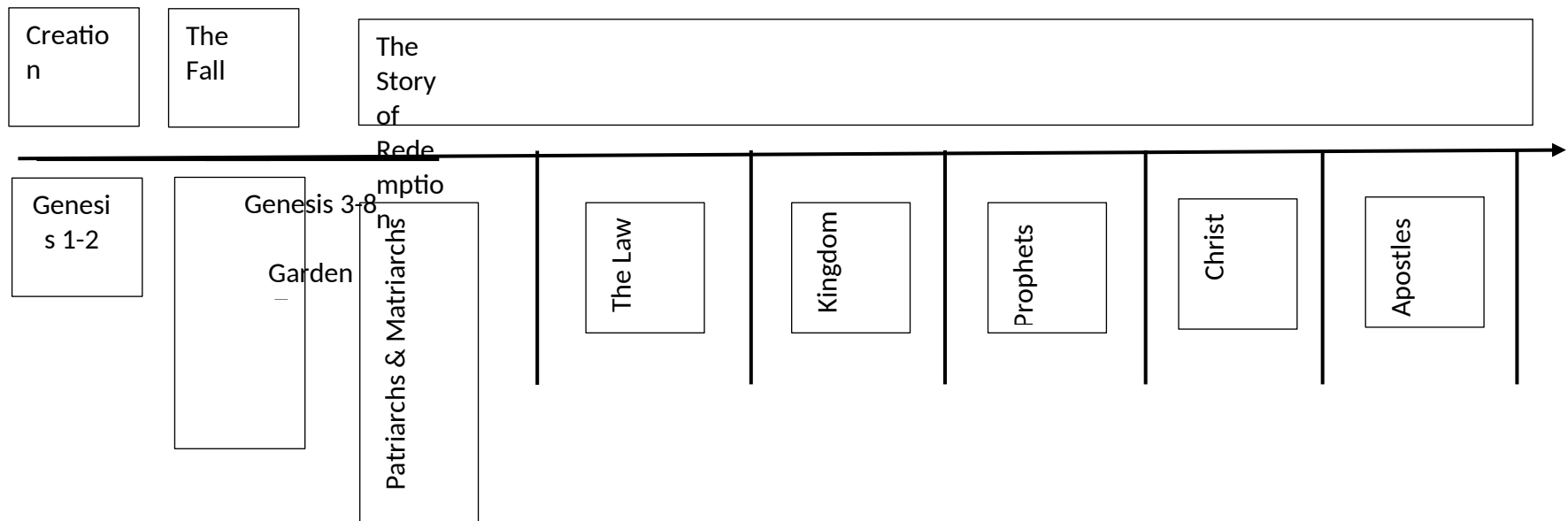


Bible Timeline



Hebrew Bible Understanding of God

Worldview

Creation of the world (Genesis 1:6-8)
(Genesis 7:11-12)

Location of God

In the heavens (Genesis 11:1-4)
On the earth (Genesis 3:8)
(Exodus 33:20-23)
In the Temple (Exodus 33:7-11)
(2 Chronicles 7:1)

Work of God

Blessings (Deuteronomy 28:1-8)
Curses (Deuteronomy 28:15-20)

Major Influences on OT Writings

Yahwists

Southern Tribes
Called God Yahweh
Responsible for Grand Epic Narrative
Heros: David and Solomon

Elohists

Northern Tribes
Called God Elohim
Responsible for additional Epic Narrative
Hero: Joseph

Deuteronomists

Responsible for Law
Hero: Moses

Priestly

Responsible for Temple Codes

Power Brokers @ end of OT Times

Temple Leaders

Temple @ center of life, culture and faith
All world will come to know us through God centered Temple
Downfall: tight control of faithful, unclean pushed away from Temple

Zealots

Promised Land @ center
Fight off invaders/occupiers
Downfall: Israel comparatively small and weak

Essenes

Walk away from Temple Corruption and Nationalistic War
Move to desert to practice spirit centered lifestyle
Downfall: left outcast behind and did not work to change system