

MESSAGE NOTES
Inquiring Minds Want to Know
From Genesis to Jesus
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QUESTION 8:

“Is there any word to say what happens between the Old Testament and the New Testament? How the does the Old Testament, which sounds like it was written to the Jews, affect us today?”

1. The time between the Old and New Testaments is known as the **INTERTESTAMENTAL** period.

“Remember the law of my servant Moses, the decrees and laws I gave him at Horeb for all Israel. See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the Lord comes. He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction.” Malachi 4:4-6

2. The Old Testament **COMMUNICATES** God’s character.

“I am the LORD your God; consecrate yourselves and be holy, because I am holy.” Leviticus 11:44

“The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.” Lamentations 3:22-23 ESV

“Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.” Deuteronomy 7:7

3. The Old Testament **POINTS TO JESUS**.

“And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.” Genesis 3:15

“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.” Isaiah 7:14

“Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.” Zechariah 9:9

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” Psalm 22:1

“You search the Scriptures because you think they give you eternal life. But the Scriptures point to me! Yet you refuse to come to me to receive this life.” John 5:39-40 NLT

4. We **CANNOT UNDERSTAND** the New Testament without the Old.

“For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.” Romans 15:4

“This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.” Luke 24:44

“In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe.” Hebrews 1:1-2

*All scripture in NIV unless specified

ACTION STEPS:

1. Choose a book from the Old Testament and read it!
2. Invite someone to church!