

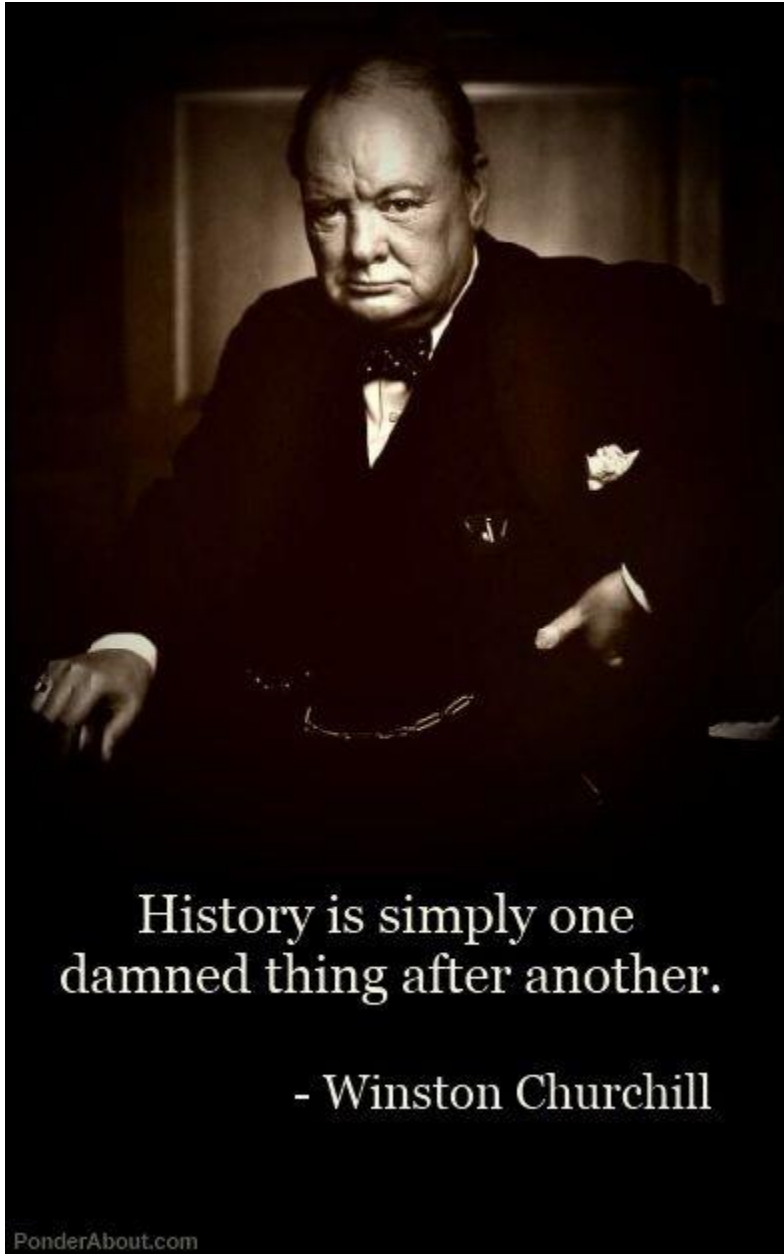
The History of Salvation

Do you believe in Love?

Question I always ask a new class I take in school
ie what comes to your mind when you hear the
word “history”?

Rating

- 4 Enthusiastic – Can't wait to learn some more
- 3 Fairly enthusiastic – Got a so-so attitude towards history
- 2 Bored – Here we go again...zzzzzzzzzzzz
- 1 Coma/Despair – Why the hell am I doing this?



History is simply one
damned thing after another.

- Winston Churchill

Why coma/despair/boredom?





Is it the same when
it comes to “the
history of salvation?”



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A common mistake...

- “Beginning with Genesis, then moving on to the Exodus, the reader has a sense of movement, an apparent narrative continuity, but the story is often interrupted by tangential anecdotes, lengthy genealogies, and mysterious characters and events that are difficult to understand. For many, the adventure of reading the Bible comes to an abrupt halt when they begin its third book, Leviticus. Suddenly the narrative has disappeared. In its place, the reader encounters a complex system of laws pertaining to the human body, relationships and ritual sacrifice that seem to have very little to do with anything he or she can relate to.”


Solution – for “storyline” Read these 14 books in chronological order.

- Genesis
- Exodus
- Numbers
- Joshua
- Judges
- 1 Samuel
- 2 Samuel
- 1 Kings
- 2 Kings
- Ezra
- Nehemiah
- 1 Maccabees
- Luke
- Acts

Bible mystery already in Genesis 1:26– Who is “us”?

- Then God said, “Let *us* make man^[h] in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

- The Church deploys a technical term to describe this method. Namely “**typology**”. Important themes are first introduced early on in the story. It is revisited later on and new light is shed on the theme when it is revisited and the reader gets new insights into the theme first introduced.



Bible Master theme – Covenant Promises made, promises kept

- The *Catholic Bible Dictionary* describes “Covenant” at its very basic as a “kinship bond between two parties, with conditions or obligations, established by an oath or its equivalent”.
- The *Dictionary* goes on to add that “Covenant is also the master-theme of the Bible, which records the various ways throughout history that God has drawn humanity into a familial relationship with himself through divine oaths



The master theme drives the storyline

- Will human beings be faithful to their promises or not? Will God be

Culminating in the New Covenant ie Jesus Christ – Holy Thursday liturgy

Parallels: A Memorial

Passover

- (Exodus 12:14) '...this day shall be to you a memorial; and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD throughout your generations. You shall keep it as a feast by an everlasting ordinance. (NKJV)

Christ

- (1 Corinthians 5:7) "...indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us."

Lord's Supper

- (1 Corinthians 11:24-25) "...He broke it and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me." ...He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



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