



## NEW SERMON SERIES (SPRING 2024)

*Genesis 12–36: Promise Kept*

Among other themes, the Book of Genesis is about God keeping his covenant, his promise. When he spoke creation into existence, it was so; and when he told man to be fruitful and multiply, to fill the earth and subdue it, they did. When he put man in Eden to tend and keep it, he promised man would die if he ate from a certain tree (chs. 1–2)—and they did. His promise to curse the serpent, the woman, and the man came to pass, as did his future promise of One to come who would bruise the serpent's head (3:15).

From warning Cain to fight against his sin, to promising judgment against the evil of mankind on the earth (4:1–6:8), God kept his word. For the first time in Scripture, he established a covenant with Noah (6:18), promising to protect him from the coming flood. He even promised never to destroy his creation again in this way; the rainbow would be his reminder! He then reestablished his first words to Adam with Noah upon leaving the ark—be fruitful and multiply (9:1). Finally, he promised to continue his covenant with Noah's sons after him (9:8).

Even after the flood, however, mankind continued to try and circumvent God's promise. Making a tower (and name) for themselves in Babel, God confused their language and dispersed them over the earth (ch. 11). Though God's covenant was always good and meant for our welfare, because of sin he had to protect us from ourselves.

Upon being separated, God's promise to mankind and his covenant with Noah was still in effect. Sin and Satan could not thwart God's plan. Now, God would choose a man from Canaan through whom he would make another covenant (ch. 12). How would this man and the generations to come after him respond to God's faithful word? Would God continue to keep his promise?

## Upcoming Sermons (through Easter):

Please take a Genesis Scripture journal (available at both entrances) and follow along with us by taking notes throughout the series.



# PROMISE KEPT

<b>JAN 7</b> Gen 11:27–12:20	<b>FEB 18</b> Gen 22:1–19
<b>JAN 14</b> Gen 13:1–14:24	<b>FEB 25</b> Gen 22:20–23:20
<b>JAN 21</b> Gen 15:1–16:16	<b>MAR 3</b> Gen 24:1–25:18
<b>JAN 28</b> Gen 17:1–18:15	<b>MAR 10</b> Gen 25:19–34
<b>FEB 4</b> Gen 18:16–19:38	<b>MAR 17</b> Gen 26:1–33
<b>FEB 11</b> Gen 20:1–21:34	<b>MAR 24</b> Gen 26:34–28:9