

Exploring the Old Testament

INTRODUCTION

Why Study the Old Testament?

1. The Old Testament teaches us about God
2. The Old Testament teaches us about the person of Jesus

Summary of the Old Testament

“Promises Made”

Themes Across the Old Testament

1. The theme of God’s Holiness and Humanity’s Sinfulness

The riddle of the Old Testament, “The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty.” - Exodus 34:6-7a

2. The theme of the Promise
 - a. Promise to Eve - Genesis 3:15
 - b. Promise to Abraham - Genesis 12:1-3
 - c. Promise to David - 2 Samuel 7

Jesus is the answer to the riddle of the Old Testament.

Matthew 1:1, “The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ,
the son of David, the son of Abraham.”