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Under Law (Exodus 20)	Under Grace (6:14)
The Kingdom is to be set up (2 Sam. 7:12-16)	Church is built up (1 Cor. 14:5, 12, 26; Eph. 4:12)
Citizenship on earth (Matt. 6:10)	Citizenship in heaven (Phil. 3:20-21)
Never baptized by the Holy Spirit	All believers baptized by the H.S. (1 Cor. 12:13)
Blessed with Physical & material blessings	Blessed with all spiritual blessings (Eph. 1:3)
Earthly temple (2 Sam. 7:13)	Heavenly temple (1 Cor. 3:16)
The temple is a building (1 Kings 5-8)	The temple is believer’s body (1 Cor. 6:19)
Jew-Gentile distinction (Matt. 10:5)	No distinction (Gal. 3:28, Eph. 2:13-16)
Will experience the tribulation (Matt. 24)	Will escape the tribulation (1 Thess. 5:1-11)
Looking for the Revelation of Christ (Matt. 24)	Looking for the Rapture (1 Thess. 4:13-18)
Started with Abraham (Gen. 12, 15, 17)	Started at Pentecost (Acts 2:47, 5:11, 8:1-3)
Israel rejected Christ (John 1:11)	Church received Christ (Acts 2:41)
Involves one nation (Psa. 147:19-20)	Involves many nations Matt. 28:18-20)
Promised a land (Gen. 15:18-21)	Promise no land (1 Peter 2: 9-11)
Has special holy days (Ex. 20:8; Lev. 23;)	Has no special holy days (Col. 2:16; Gal. 4:8-10)

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