

# The Jewish World of the New Testament



# Brainstorming: "Judaism"





# The Old Testament Story



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- Creation
- The creation out of joint
- The rescue plan
  - Israel
    - Covenant and Torah
    - A “priestly people”
    - Need restoration themselves
    - Promise of a new covenant
- The renewed creation
  - Jerusalem at its centre



# Continuing the Story

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- Memory of failure
- Fierce loyalty to Torah
  - Careful study
  - Careful obedience
    - Monotheism
    - Idolatry
    - Circumcision
    - Sabbath
    - Diet
    - Purity



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- Memory of failure
- Fierce loyalty to Torah
- Devotion to the Temple
  - Even from a distance
  - Present temple ambiguous





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- Devotion to the Temple
- Hope in Israel's restoration
  - Messiah
  - the resurrection
  - the Gentiles
  - the land





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- Devotion to the Temple
- Hope in Israel's restoration
- Angels and demons



# Jesus the Jew

- Where do we see Jesus' Jewishness?



# Paul the Jew

- Where do we see the Jewishness of Paul?





# Ancient Judaism: Our Heritage

- A “bankrupt” religion?
  - Prophetic critique in the NT



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- Faithful Jews in the NT
  - Nicodemus
  - Gamaliel
  - Anna and Simeon
  - The Beroeans
  - Mary and Joseph





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- A “bankrupt” religion?
- Faithful Jews in the NT
- Judaism assumed in the NT
  - Monotheism
  - Idolatry
  - Torah reconceived
  - Jewish hopes fulfilled
  - Sabbath and purity?



# Ancient Judaism: Our Heritage

- A “bankrupt” religion?
- Faithful Jews in the NT
- Judaism assumed in the NT
- Before the revelation of Christ
  - No one expected Jesus
  - Faithful with what they had

