

Biblical Time Periods & Spiritual Laws

Patriarchal
Adam - Moses

Mosaic
Moses - Christ

Christian
Christ - End Of Time

Patriarchal refers to the delivery of God's directives to the heads of households or Patriarchs. God's word was purely spoken at this time. God acted in physical ways to assist the Patriarchs as they became the foundation for the fulfillment of the plan to redeem mankind through the Messiah

The Law was given to Moses at Mount Sinai and contains shadows of the Messiah who was to come. God dealt with His people through the agency of the written Law, prophets and priests. God also continued to act in physical ways as well. The combination of direct communication and a written law is a transitional state between the Patriarchal and Christian dispensations.

Christian era begins on the day of Pentecost with the establishment of the church. Christ lived and died under the law of Moses in order to completely fulfill it. The law of God now exists in a purely written form and in the hearts of believers. God no longer speaks to individuals directly.