



Gaining A Strategic Grasp of Scripture

The Diminishing Of Israel: Paul's Acts Period Ministry, Part 2

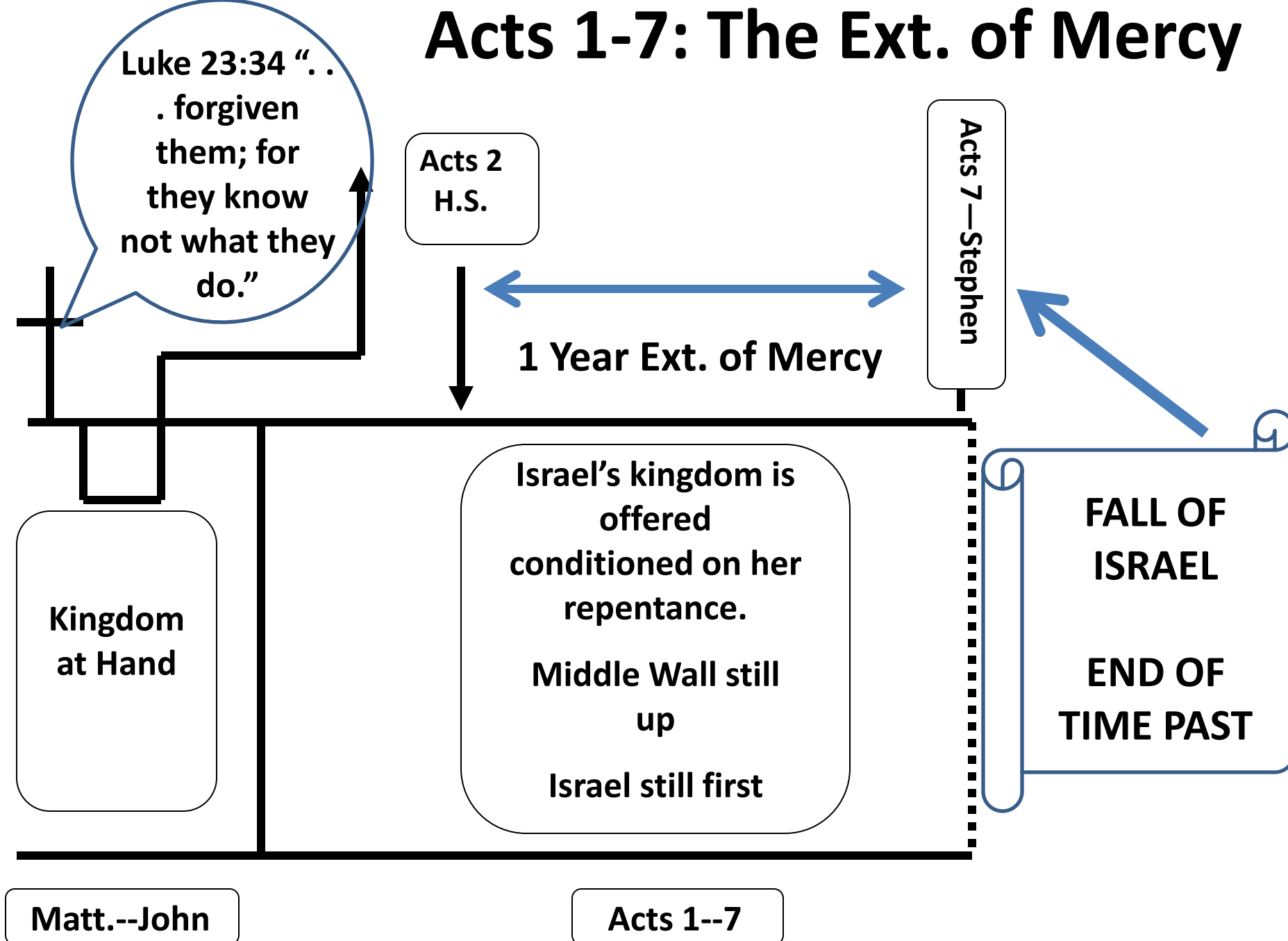
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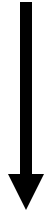
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Acts 1-7: The Ext. of Mercy



The *But Now* Time Period Begins

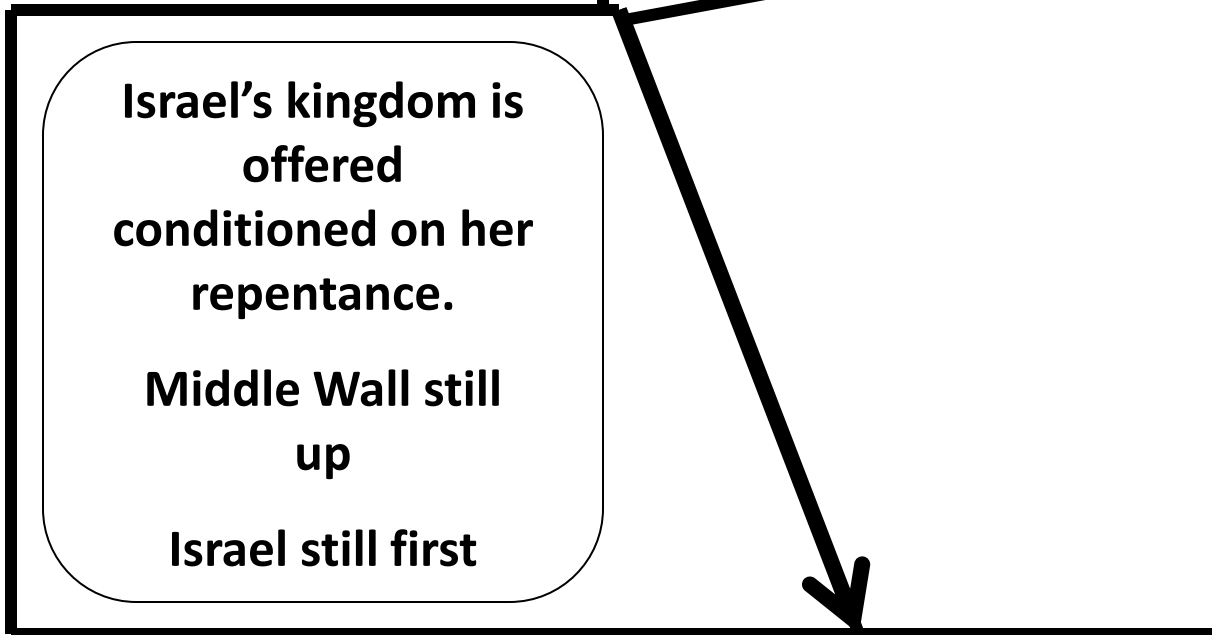
**Acts 2—Outpouring
of the H.S.**



**Acts 7—Outcry
Against Stephan**

**FALL OF ISRAEL
END OF TIME PAST**

**Acts 9—Outgoing
to the Gentiles.
Saul is Saved &
Sent to the Gentiles**
**BUT NOW/BODY
BEGINS**



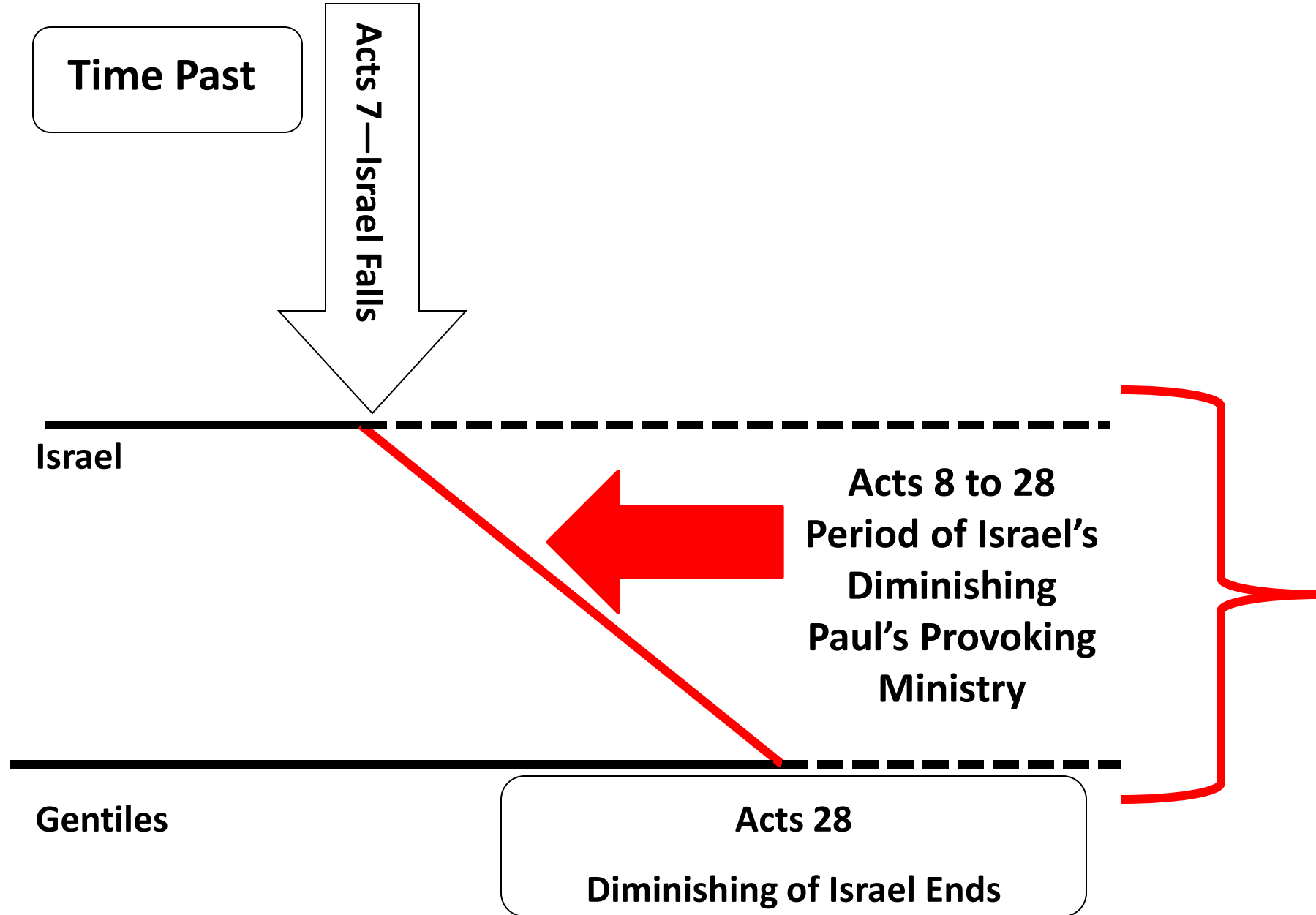
Acts 1--7

But Now

- Middle Wall broken down in Christ.
- Jews and Gentiles are being formed into one new man.
- Jews and Gentiles are being reconciled to God equally in one body by the cross
- Israel no longer first
- **UNDER GRACE NOT LAW**

Pauline Epistles

Israel's Diminishing



The Diminishing of Israel: Paul's Acts Period Ministry

- During the time of Israel's diminishing covered in the book of Acts Paul utilized aspects of Israel's program to provoke her to jealousy, i.e., tongues, water baptism, and healing.
- Tongues:
 - I Corinthians 1:22—"the Jews require a sign"
 - I Corinthians 14:22—"tongues are for a sign"
 - I Corinthians 13:8-10—tongues were temporary