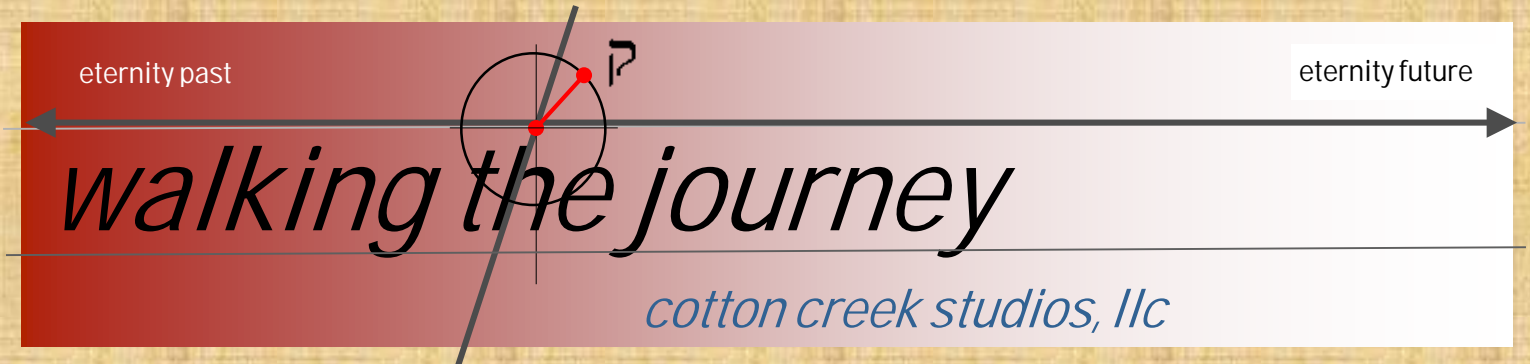


“walking the journey”

Defined:



WALKING THE JOURNEY is a language of content, a defined 'Worldview,' a visual and verbal explanation for eternal thinking verses momentary focus, produced and published by **COTTON CREEK STUDIOS, LLC**.

Several years ago a very dear friend went to be with the Lord. I remember him with fondness because he introduced me to the idea of a 'Worldview,' a concept I had never seriously considered. As I recall, his worldview went something like this: **'My purpose is to know and understand God, to love and faithfully obey Him in all I do throughout my life.'**

Perhaps most people will admit to having a much different worldview, whether or not it's a part of their consciousness. A sample might be: **'I want to accumulate wealth, become prosperous, and fulfill my human desires, all that I can for myself in my lifetime.'** Other worldviews may be defined around 'power,' 'humanism,' 'environmental sanctity,' 'selective elitism,' 'just having fun (sports, partying, etc.),' 'self-centeredness,' 'education (knowledge) is the center of reality'...the list could go on and on. Most views probably fall somewhere in between or take some tangent of extremist philosophy.

Over the years I have developed a worldview close to that of my friend, but somewhat broader in scope. I would state it thus: **'My purpose is to know and understand God in the totality of an eternal prospective, thankful of the sinful nature of my fleshly existence, thankful for His eternal plan of redemption through Jesus our Messiah and the provision He has made for my eternal security, with love for and obedience to His precepts throughout my life.'** You think I can live up to that spiritual expectation...not even close, but there's always the desire to constantly work toward that goal.

Most of us are caught up in a worldly mind-set, focused on every day issues that confront our thoughts, our choices, our fears, and our failures; the very essences of our lives. This is only momentary existence. Is it possible to change that mind-set to an eternal prospective? It is a dynamic change from a worldly paradigm to the spiritual nature of God's eternal existence.

Looking at the world from an eternal prospective is foundational to this website. This point of view is fully defined in the scriptures recorded by the prophets and the apostles, beginning with Moses and ending with our Lord's revelation through the Apostle John in the Book of Revelation.

16 And he told them this parable: **"The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest.**

17 He thought to himself, **'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'**

18 **"Then he said, "This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain.**

19 And I'll say to myself, **"You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink, and be merry."**

20 **"But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'**

21 **"This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."**

Luke 12:16-21 (NIV)

Emphasis added.

eternity past

God exists, He is real, and He is above All!

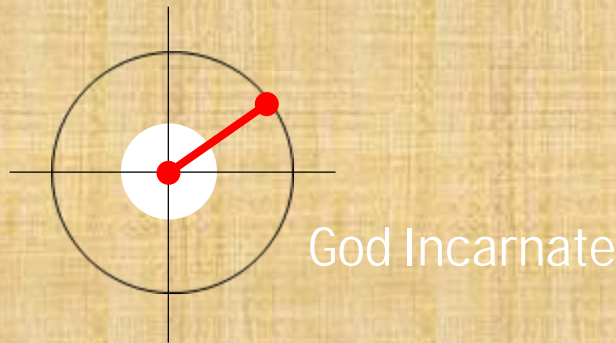
eternity future

It is impossible to define eternity diagrammatically; by its very definition it is infinite, both past and future, never ending in either direction. As difficult as it is for the human mind to comprehend, eternity has always existed and always will exist. The arrowed line atop this page is merely a representation along two dimensions, 'x' and 'y'. **God exists in other dimensions** which radiate outside the earth's limited boundaries, our space-time continuum, dimensions where time does not exist.

Along this line there is a beginning and an ending of time. They are represented by points of interaction of the diameter with the circumference of a circle.



The circle is symbolic of the cyclical nature of God's creation. Graphically, its relationship to eternity is totally out of proportion. In fact, creation to restoration is less than a nano-point in relation to eternity: • It is the space-time continuum in which we exist, the boundaries of the universe God created.



At the very center of the space-time continuum, in which we exist, God's plan for redemption played out. He embodied Himself in human form, supernaturally delivered through the virgin birth to live among men, a pure and sinless sacrifice prepared to bridge the gap between God and man, so that those who believe in Him can once again stand before Him, 'the' eternal God. It was and is the most powerful moment in history. God gave this image of Himself the name, Jesus (*Yeshua*)*. He is our Messiah (*HaMashiach*)*.

16 "The day is yours, and yours also the night; you established the sun and the moon.

17 It was you who set all the boundaries of the earth; You made both summer and winter."

Psalm 74:16-17 (NIV)
Emphasis added.

1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. .
Genesis 1:1 (NIV)

1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea.
Revelation 21:1 (NIV)

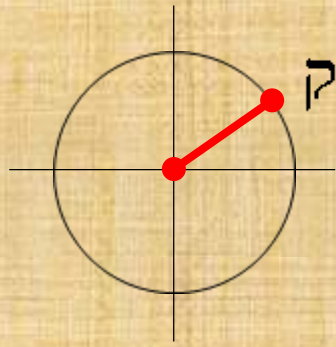
9 Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Phillip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father?'

10 Don't you believe I am the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing His work.

11 Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves.

John 14:9-11 (NIV)
Emphasis added.

* Hebrew Names: *Yeshua HaMashiach* – Jesus the Messiah.



The Hebrew letter (pictograph) 'Qof'

The radius of the space-time continuum signifies the cyclical nature of God's creation and if its radius were to be put into continuous motion, there would be no beginning and no ending within the boundaries of creation as we know it.

The Hebrew language is a unique language (*Leshon HaKodesh** - Hebrew meaning the 'Holy Tongue,' the language of God). In the future we will devote an article to this topic, but for now note that it is the language that was used when God spoke creation into existence. Western, romantic alphabets are in general based on phonics, while eastern alphabets are pictorial. Hebrew is both phonetic and pictorial, giving additional meaning to every letter, every word, and every phrase which in turn can have a progression of meanings. The 19th letter of the Hebrew alphabet is the letter 'ק' or 'Qof' (pounced cōugh) and literally means 'the back of the head.'

Frank Seekins (Hebrew Word Pictures) says the original pictograph meant 'the back of the head' with primary meaning 'what is behind' or 'what follows.' He includes the idea of circular or cyclic movement. He says that the base word never developed as a verb in Hebrew (Hebrew is more verb based than English, which is more noun based).

Jeff A. Benner (The Ancient Hebrew Language and Alphabet) does not always agree with Seekins on what the original pictographs are, and this is one time where he doesn't. He says that it's a circle with a line through it, indicating the sun on the horizon. He says the basic idea is condensing, or circular movement.

Ernest Klein (Etymological Dictionary of the Hebrew Language) says the pictograph is 'eye of a needle (closer to Benner), also sewing is a repetitive action involving making circuits that progress in a line. He also says there is a verb, 'nun-qof-pe,' which means making a circuit or surrounding, and has relatives relating to shaking and beating trees to harvest olives, or twisting a rope.

I would go with Benner because of Klein. Also because of the common word 'Qum' meaning arise or establish (rise like the sun) and words with 'qof' and 'tsade' having to do with cyclic time and endings – summer, harvest, and terminus.

*The text needed is from Seekins. It has the terminus word and the noun for sunset as cyclic phenomenon: Psalms 19:6. ***

In our minds, the idea of the universe as a cyclic phenomenon is well established in scripture as a Hebrew pattern. The universe is not a linear, evolutionary, uniformitarian pattern which is so prevalent in today's academic community.

* Hebrew Names: *Leshon HaKodesh* - the 'Holy Tongue,' the language of God.

** Hebrew language research by Laura Storm.



4b In the heavens He has pitched a tent for the sun,
5 which is like a bridegroom coming forth from his pavilion, like a champion rejoicing to run his course.
6 It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is hidden from its heat.
Psalm 19:4b-6 (NIV)
 Emphasis added.

Before going further, the concept of a cyclic pattern is not a new idea to the authors, rather one that has been well defined. It was recently reinforced while reading Gary Stearman's book, "Time Travelers of the Bible, How Hebrew Prophets Shattered the Barriers of Time-Space."¹ Gary Stearman is the host of a very respected website ministry, www.prophecyinthenews.com.

¹ Chapter 13, The Circle of Time, The History of the Seven Churches, page 254, "Time Travelers of the Bible, How Hebrew Prophets Shattered the Barriers of Time-Space," Defender, 2011, ISBN: 9780983621638.

walking the journey

Life is indeed a journey, for us it involves more than just a momentary understanding of our current circumstance along the way. It is spiritual, historical, conceptual, visual as well as verbal, and most importantly, eternal.

How does one's journey relate to God? As we considered this concept, we decided to go back to the beginning – to the Garden of Eden. In the cool of the evenings God walked with Adam and Eve in the garden. This made sense to us – we **walk** the journey. Thus, '**Walking the Journey**' fit our purpose.

It gives freedom while describing a relationship. Through Jesus our Messiah, we are able to spend eternity future, walking with Him, our Creator.

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8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as He was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

9 But the Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?"
Genesis 3:8-9 (NIV)
Emphasis added.