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Start in Egypt as slaves

Rescued, receive a mission & Identity in Sinai

Build an Empire in Jerusalem

Conquered and hauled off to Babylon as slaves

### WHAT THEY LOST IN THIS EXILE:

- ≡ Intimacy with God
- ≡ Their institutions
- ≡ Power & wealth

**THE JEWISH PEOPLE END UP  
WHERE THEY STARTED**



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## GOD ALWAYS HEARS THE CRY

*The Old Testament comes to a stop  
with a promise of a coming redeemer.*

**Jesus is always the point of Scripture.**



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The Israelites begin to think how they'd get it right the next time, if they got another chance

*Their hope becomes centered around a "Son of David"*

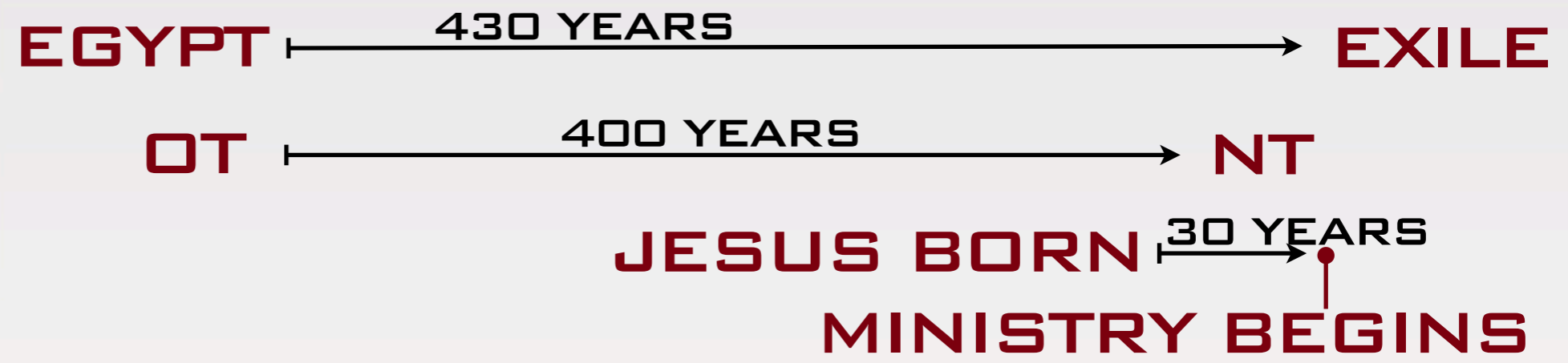
The true Son of David will rescue us from our sin, our indifference & the things that have broken us...

...so in following Him we can truly **show the world** who God is **as His priests**.



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**“The kingdom of God has come upon you”  
-Jesus**

*Jesus rescues us from sin & a hard heart  
that cannot hear the cry of the world around us.*



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