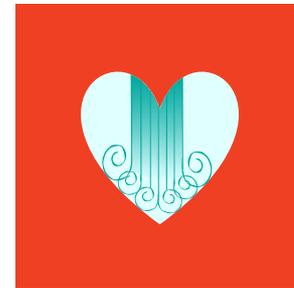


GRACE IN THE LAW

The Two Questions of Covenant





Monument #1





COVENANT PROMISE

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God cuts covenant with Abraham.

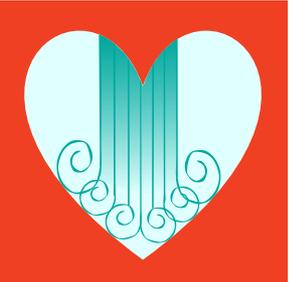
Genesis 15





COVENANT NAME

Monument #2



THE 1ST QUESTION OF COVENANT

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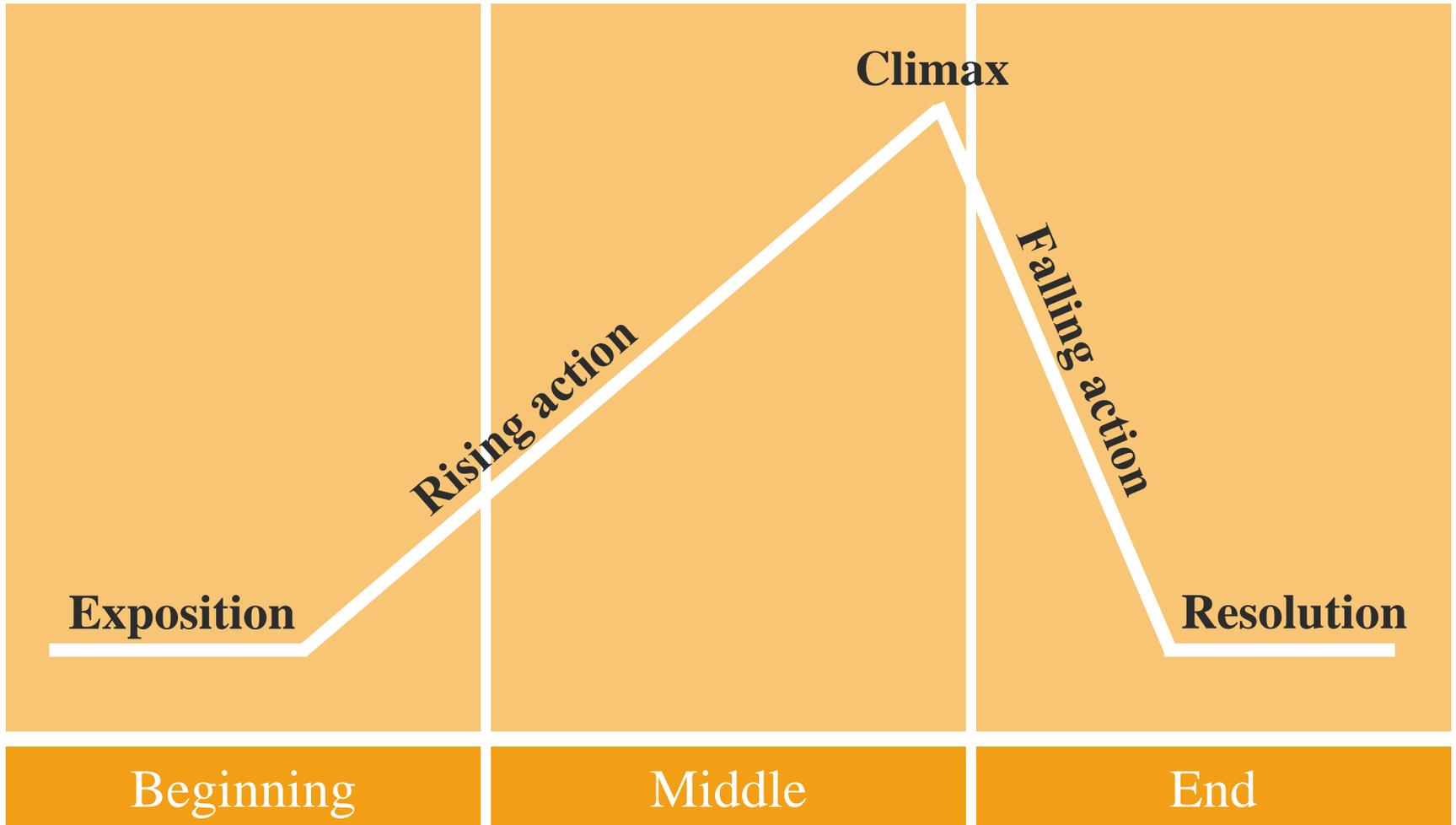
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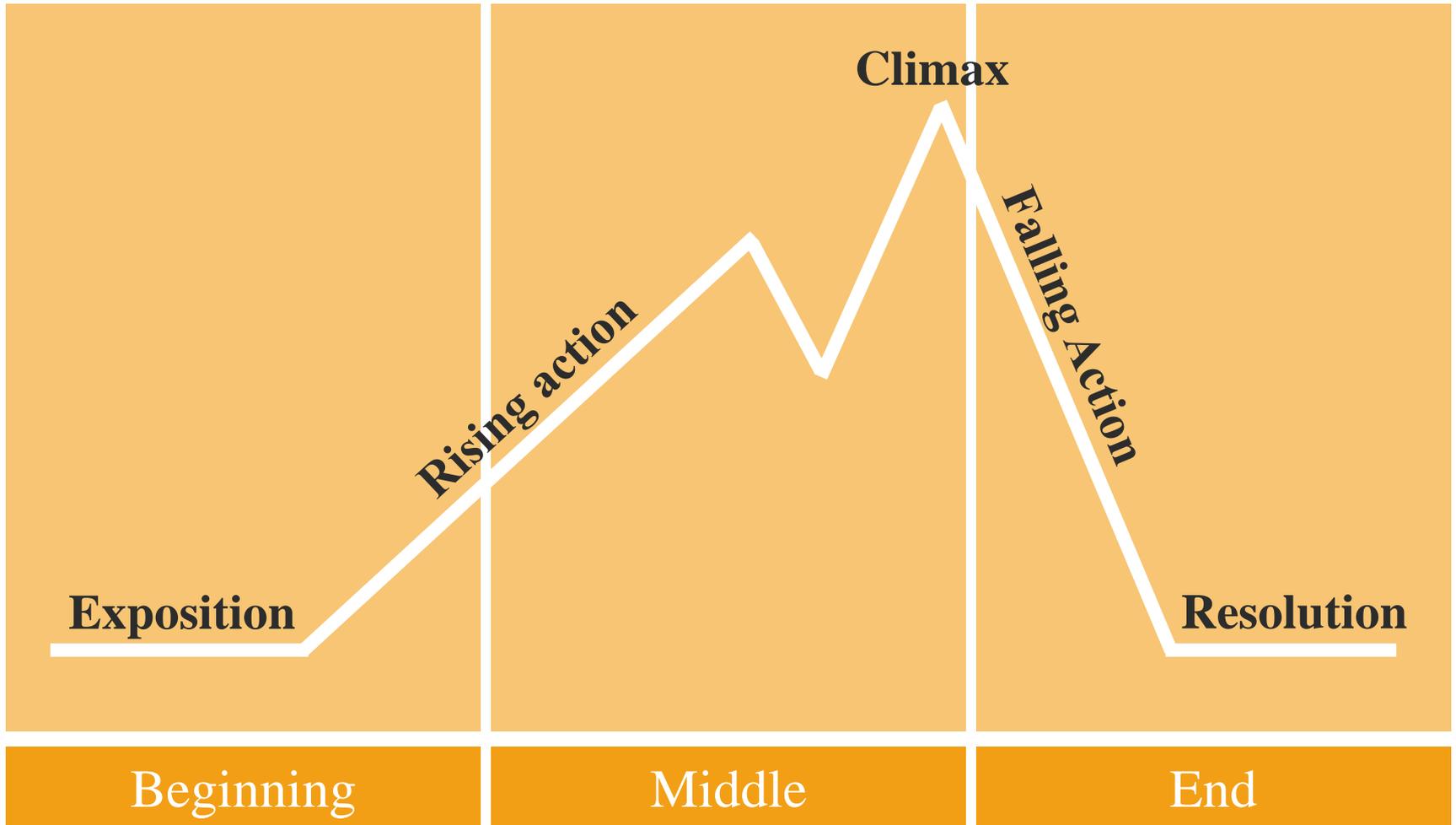
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WHY THE BURNING BUSH?





THE BURNING BUSH



God calls Moses to be his covenant mediator.

Exodus 3-4



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SAY TO THEM, ‘THE LORD, THE GOD OF
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EMPTI-HANDED. BUT EVERY WOMAN SHALL ASK OF HER NEIGHBOR AND THE WOMAN WHO LIVES IN HER HOUSE, ARTICLES OF SILVER AND ARTICLES OF GOLD, AND CLOTHING; AND YOU WILL PUT THEM ON YOUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS. THUS YOU WILL PLUNDER THE EGYPTIANS.”

¹ THEN MOSES SAID, “WHAT IF THEY WILL NOT BELIEVE ME OR LISTEN TO WHAT I SAY? FOR THEY MAY SAY, ‘THE LORD HAS NOT APPEARED TO YOU.’” ² THE LORD SAID TO HIM, “WHAT IS THAT IN YOUR HAND?” AND HE SAID, “A STAFF.” ³ THEN HE SAID, “THROW IT ON THE GROUND.” SO HE THREW IT ON THE GROUND, AND IT BECAME A SERPENT; AND MOSES FLED FROM IT. ⁴ BUT THE LORD SAID TO MOSES, “STRETCH OUT YOUR HAND AND GRASP *IT* BY ITS TAIL”—SO HE STRETCHED OUT HIS HAND AND CAUGHT IT, AND IT BECAME A STAFF IN HIS HAND— ⁵ “THAT THEY MAY BELIEVE THAT THE LORD, THE GOD OF THEIR FATHERS, THE GOD OF



WITNESS OF THE LAST SIGN. BUT IF THEY WILL NOT BELIEVE EVEN THESE TWO SIGNS OR HEED WHAT YOU SAY, THEN YOU SHALL TAKE SOME WATER FROM THE NILE AND POUR IT ON THE DRY GROUND; AND THE WATER WHICH YOU TAKE FROM THE NILE WILL BECOME BLOOD ON THE DRY GROUND.”

¹⁰ THEN MOSES SAID TO THE LORD, “PLEASE, LORD, I HAVE NEVER BEEN ELOQUENT, NEITHER RECENTLY NOR IN TIME PAST, NOR SINCE YOU HAVE SPOKEN TO YOUR SERVANT; FOR I AM SLOW OF SPEECH AND SLOW OF TONGUE.” ¹¹ THE LORD SAID TO HIM, “WHO HAS MADE MAN’S MOUTH? OR WHO MAKES *HIM* MUTE OR DEAF, OR SEEING OR BLIND? IS IT NOT I, THE LORD?

¹² “NOW THEN GO, AND I, EVEN I, WILL BE WITH YOUR MOUTH, AND TEACH YOU WHAT YOU ARE TO SAY.”

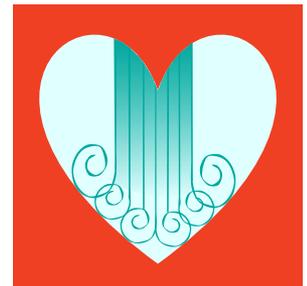
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COVENANT CUT

God cuts covenant with Israel on Mt. Sinai.

Exodus 19-24



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COVENANT NAME



God's name is revealed amidst the sin of Israel.

Exodus 32-34

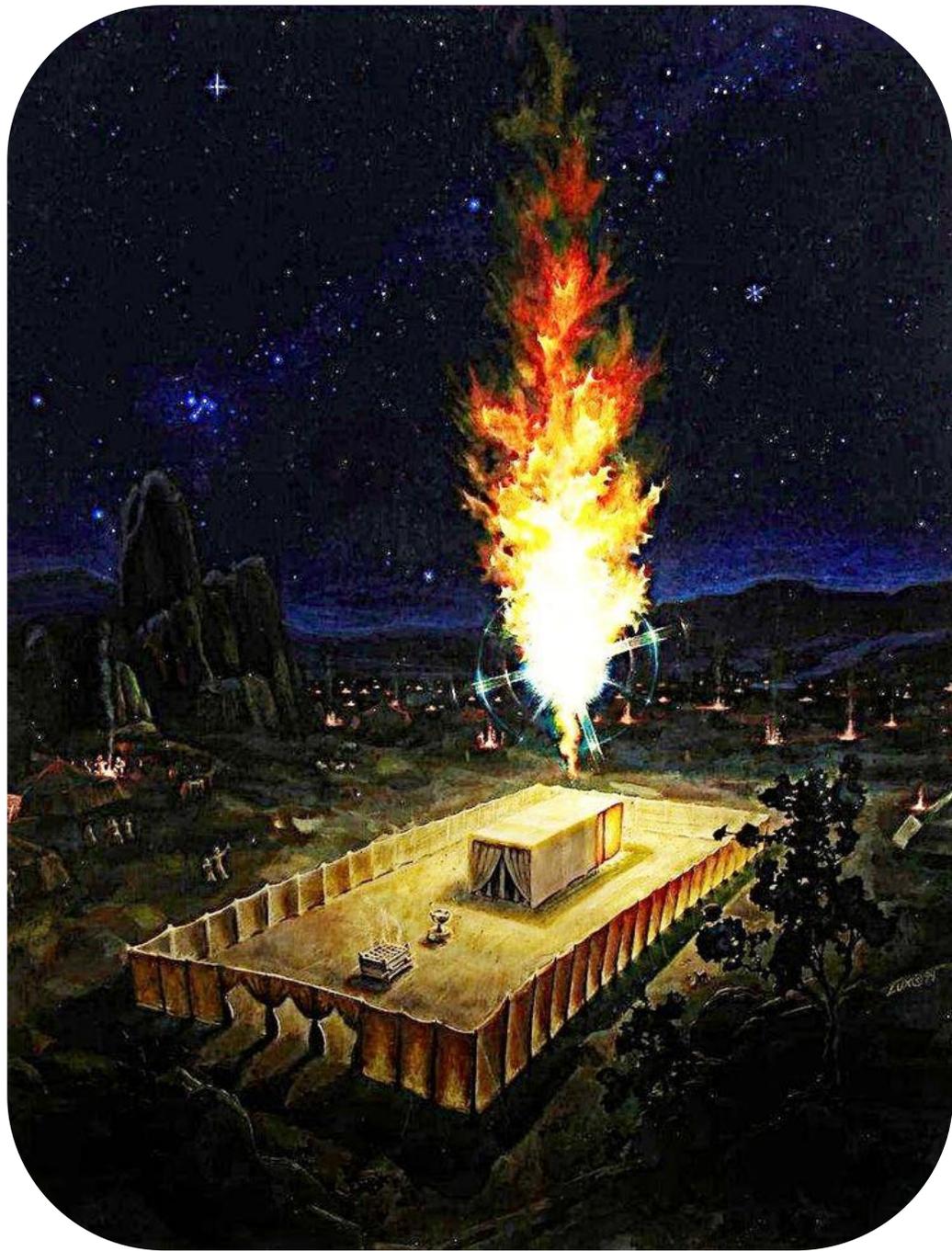


“THE LORD, THE LORD GOD, COMPASSIONATE AND GRACIOUS, SLOW TO ANGER, AND ABOUNDING IN LOVINGKINDNESS AND TRUTH; WHO KEEPS LOVINGKINDNESS FOR THOUSANDS, WHO FORGIVES INIQUITY, TRANSGRESSION AND SIN; YET HE WILL BY NO MEANS LEAVE THE GUILTY UNPUNISHED, VISITING THE INIQUITY OF FATHERS ON THE CHILDREN AND ON THE GRANDCHILDREN TO THE THIRD AND FOURTH GENERATIONS.”

Exodus 34:6-7

¹⁴ AND THE WORD BECAME FLESH, AND DWELT AMONG US, AND WE SAW HIS GLORY, GLORY AS OF THE ONLY BEGOTTEN FROM THE FATHER, FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH. ¹⁵ JOHN TESTIFIED ABOUT HIM AND CRIED OUT, SAYING, "THIS WAS HE OF WHOM I SAID, 'HE WHO COMES AFTER ME HAS A HIGHER RANK THAN I, FOR HE EXISTED BEFORE ME.' " ¹⁶ FOR OF HIS FULLNESS WE HAVE ALL RECEIVED, AND GRACE UPON GRACE. ¹⁷ FOR THE LAW WAS GIVEN THROUGH MOSES; GRACE AND TRUTH WERE REALIZED THROUGH JESUS CHRIST. ¹⁸ NO ONE HAS SEEN GOD AT ANY TIME; THE ONLY BEGOTTEN GOD WHO IS IN THE BOSOM OF THE FATHER, HE HAS EXPLAINED HIM.

John 1:14-18





COVENANT NAME



The covenant is as strong as His name.

Exodus 34:6-7; John 1:14-18

