## The New Testament & the Doctrine of the Promise

New Testament writers see the Doctrine of the Promise continually fulfilled and being fulfilled.

Stephen's legal defense in Acts 7 traces the doctrine by means of events. N.b., "But *as the time of the promise was approaching* which God had assured to Abraham, the people increased and multiplied in Egypt,..." (7:17) (*emphasis added*)

In a synagogue at Antioch, Pisidia Paul traces the doctrine in historical events and reports that "After He had removed [Saul], He raised up David to be their king, concerning whom He also testified and said, 'I HAVE FOUND DAVID the son of Jesse, A MAN AFTER MY HEART, who will do all My will.' *From the descendants of this man, according to promise, God has brought to Israel a Savior, Jesus,...*" Acts 13:22-23 (*emphasis added*)

Zacharias "was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying: "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, For He has visited us and *accomplished redemption for His people*, And has raised up a horn of *salvation for us in the house of David His servant...* To show mercy toward our fathers, and *to remember His holy covenant*, the oath which He swore to Abraham our father,"

Luke 1:67-69, 72-73 (*emphasis added*)