

The profound mystery in the Old Testament

In the beginning (Genesis 1–2)

Genesis 1:1

Genesis 1:26–28

Genesis 2:18–25

Ephesians 5:31–32: “This mystery is profound,
and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.”

The break-up and what follows (Genesis 3–11)

Genesis 3

Genesis 4:19

Genesis 6:1–2

Starting over (Genesis 12–50)

Promises (Genesis 12:1–3)

The LORD's steadfast love and faithfulness (Exodus)

A growing people (Exodus 1:1–7)

“Let my people go” (Exodus 5:1)

A redeemed people (Exodus 15:13)

“Brought you to myself” (Exodus 19:4)

Living as God's people (Exodus 20:1–17)

- No other gods
- No idols
- No adultery

Relationship formalised (Exodus 24:1–11)

God's house (Exodus 25:8; 29:43–46)

But... the people's idolatry and adultery (Exodus 32:1–6)

The LORD's steadfast love and faithfulness (34:6–7)

A loving warning (34:11–16)

Taking up residence (40:34–38)

More idolatry and adultery (Prophets)

Isaiah 1:21

Jeremiah 2:20; 3:1–10

Ezekiel 16, 23

Hosea 1:1–9; 2:2–13; 4:12–14

The end? (Prophets)

Isaiah 54:4–5; 62:5; Jeremiah 31:31–34; Ezekiel 16:59–63; Hosea 1:10–11; 2:14–23