# The Promised One: Seeing Jesus in Genesis (A 10-week Bible Study) (Volume 1)

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"And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, [Jesus] interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself." (Luke 24:27)

After the resurrection, when Jesus used Scripture to explain who he was and why he came, where did he start? In the Old Testament. And this is where The Promised One begins to look for Christ, finding him in the people, promises, and patterns of the Old Testament scriptures.

With contagious passion and theological soundness, Bible teacher Nancy Guthrie shows how the book of Genesis points us to the person of Christ. Throughout ten weeks of guided personal study, relevant teaching, and thoughtful discussion questions, The Promised One will help you:

- >> make new discoveries of Jesus as seen in the shadows of the Old Testament;
- >> apply the gospel found in Genesis to issues such as shame, fear, and the desire for security and significance;
- >> develop your longing for what is ahead when the world is once again made new. Gain a fresh perspective on the book of Genesis, a broader understanding of Jesus as the fulfillment of Scripture, and much more, when you join with Nancy on this incredible journey to see Jesus in the Old Testament!

# Nancy Guthrie

teaches the Bible to women at her church, Cornerstone Presbyterian Church in Franklin, Tennessee, and at conferences worldwide. She and her husband, David, are the cohosts of the GriefShare video series used in more than 10,000 churches nationwide and also host Respite Retreats for couples who have experienced the death of a child. Guthrie is also the host of Help Me Teach the Bible, a podcast from the Gospel Coalition.

"The perfect blend of biblical scholarship and heartfelt passion, Guthrie guides us through Genesis, helping us discover for ourselves God's magnificent plan of redemption. Her steps are sure, and her grasp of the Scriptures is breathtaking. Above all, God's unfailing love, grace, and sovereignty shine forth from every page. A brilliant start to a very promising series."

## Liz Curtis Higgs

, New York Times bestselling author, Mine is the Night and Bad Girls of the Bible

"An excellent resource for the church. Nancy explains biblical connections in a way that will be helpful to new believers as well as those steeped in the faith. I wish I had these resources years ago."

## Wendy Horger Alsup

mother; author, Practical Theology for Women and The Gospel-Centered Woman

"The Bible is a book about Jesus. The disciples walking to Emmaus after the resurrection discovered this as Christ himself walked along with them and explained how the Old Testament pointed to the Savior. This book is the first in an important series by Nancy Guthrie and it spotlights how Jesus can be seen in the book of Genesis. I recommend thisand the entire series-to you."

# Alistair Begg

Senior Pastor, Parkside Church, Chagrin Falls, Ohio

"It's not hyperbole to say, "It's about time." While there are good books out there telling pastors how to preach Christ from all the Scriptures, there have been very few Bible studies for laypeople-especially for women-along these lines. Nancy Guthrie does an amazing job of helping us to fit the pieces of the biblical puzzle together, with Christ at the center."

#### Michael Horton

J. Gresham Machen Professor of Systematic Theology and Apologetics, Westminster Seminary California; Host, White Horse Inn; author, Core Christianity

"Nancy takes us by the hand and the heart on an exegetical excursion to see Christ in the Old Testament...the beauty of Guthrie's writing is that you are certain she has met him there first."

## Jean F. Larroux

, Senior Pastor, Southwood Presbyterian Church, PCA, Huntsville, Alabama

"Every leader of small group ministries knows the difficult task of finding good material-material that causes participants to think carefully while striking a chord in the heart; material that challenges the mature Christian, while gently leading those younger in the faith into deeper truths; material that digs into the Bible and applies its treasures to our everyday lives. The Promised One manages to do it all! A meaningful, 10-week Bible study with thought-provoking questions and solid teaching, and a peek at what is still to come. I am delighted to offer this to the women in my church and look forward to the remaining books in this series."

## Jean Bronson

, Director of Women's Ministries, Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian Church, St. Louis, Missouri

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#### Donna Dobbs

, Christian Education Director, First Presbyterian Church, Jackson, Mississippi

"How many of us have grown up in the church, learning and reciting one Bible story after the other? But how many of us can clearly connect those stories with clarity and understanding of the grand drama? The Promised One will lead this generation to clearly recognize that the Bible is God's purposeful story-an amazing unfolding of His promised provision through Jesus, His Son, for the redemption of our wrecked and ruined world. Through this life-changing study, you will clearly comprehend God's intent and promise of Jesus from the very first pages of the Bible through to the very end. I pray your eyes and mind will joyfully recognize Him as the Promised One, making your heart burn with a deeper and more passionate love for the Savior!"

#### Jennifer Adamson

Director of Women's Ministries, First Baptist Orlando, Orlando, Florida

"Do you ever wish you could have listened to the conversation Jesus had with his friends on the road to Emmaus? Luke tells us that Jesus started with Moses and walked his way through the Bible and explained to them the things concerning himself in all the Scriptures. Nancy has done us all a great service by carefully and precisely unpacking the teachings regarding our Savior in the Old Testament. My experience with this book has been rich and has deepened my love for the Word and for Jesus. I am in debt to my sister for this treasure of a study!"

## David Arthur

Executive Vice President, Precept Ministries International; coauthor, Desiring God's Own Heart: A Study on Samuel

"After nearly a decade of serving women in the church, I have to say that finding Bible study curriculum that compels women to fall in love with God's Word is perhaps one of the most challenging aspects of this job. Promotions for women's materials fill my mailbox and my inbox daily, yet rarely have I found a curriculum so well written. The Promised One is full of truth, humility, and grace. Nancy leads us to the Scriptures where we find there to be one story, that of our Lord Jesus. I am so grateful for this series and I am certain it will help women come to know Christ and know Him better."

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#### Kari Stainback

, Director of Women's Ministries, Park Cities Presbyterian Church, Dallas, Texas

"Is there a need for another study guide on Genesis? In a word, yes. And this is the book. Sadly, most studies are not Christ-centered, but rather principle-centered, which becomes nothing more than a new version of legalism. Nancy Guthrie sets a new standard by being truly Christ-centered, starting with Jesus' fulfillment of the entire Old Testament and maintaining that focus throughout the guide. Having read three of her previous books, and the Christ-centered nature of them, I expected the same top-notch quality. I was not disappointed. The proven format of personal study, teaching chapter, and group discussion highlights Christ as the center of Genesis. Her questions are not merely "how-to' guides, but they bring a fresh perspective and point the reader continually to Christ. Do you want to study or teach Genesis? Then this book is for you. Guthrie has provided a valuable resource of the church."

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#### Richard P. Shields

, President, American Lutheran Theological Seminary

"Because the stories of Genesis are so familiar to many, it can be easy to think we don't need to study it again. But The Promised One enables us to read all of the familiar stories with fresh eyes so that God's redemptive purposes through Christ from the very beginning become clear. I look forward to putting this study in the hands of the women at my church!"

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#### Julie Wesselman

, Women's Ministry Director, Desert Springs Church, Albuquerque, New Mexico

"At last! Real living water from Scripture that enables us, together, to behold the Lord Jesus in His glory-this is what nourishes and matures the soul! The expositions in Genesis, the development in Scripture, the fulfillment in our Lord Jesus Christ, and then the bridge to application to now and to the blessings yet to come when all meets the final consummation in glory. So well done. O I pray Nancy's book, as well as the series, ignites a fire that blazes from here to the Third World and strengthens all Christians everywhere to come alive in our testimony of Jesus."

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#### Thaddeus Barnum

, Senior Pastor, Church of the Apostles, Fairfield, Connecticut; author, Never Silent

Other Books

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2 2 2 1. 12; 1 Peter 5. 10 . 3. Jeremiah 11. 5 . 4. All God's promises are fulfilled to us for the sake of the Lord Jesus . ... 3 : " Verily , verily , I say unto thee , Except a man be born again , he cannot see the kingdom of God . " 6. 1 ..."