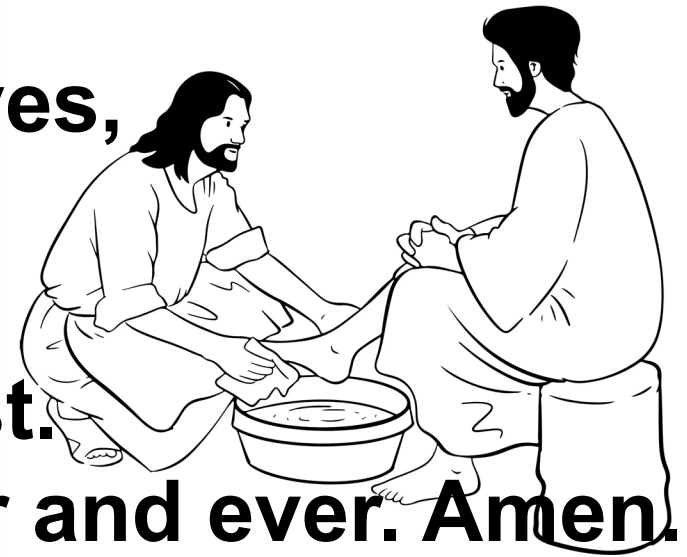


Stewards of Grace

1 Peter 4:7-11



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The big idea:

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definition: come near; draw near; approaching

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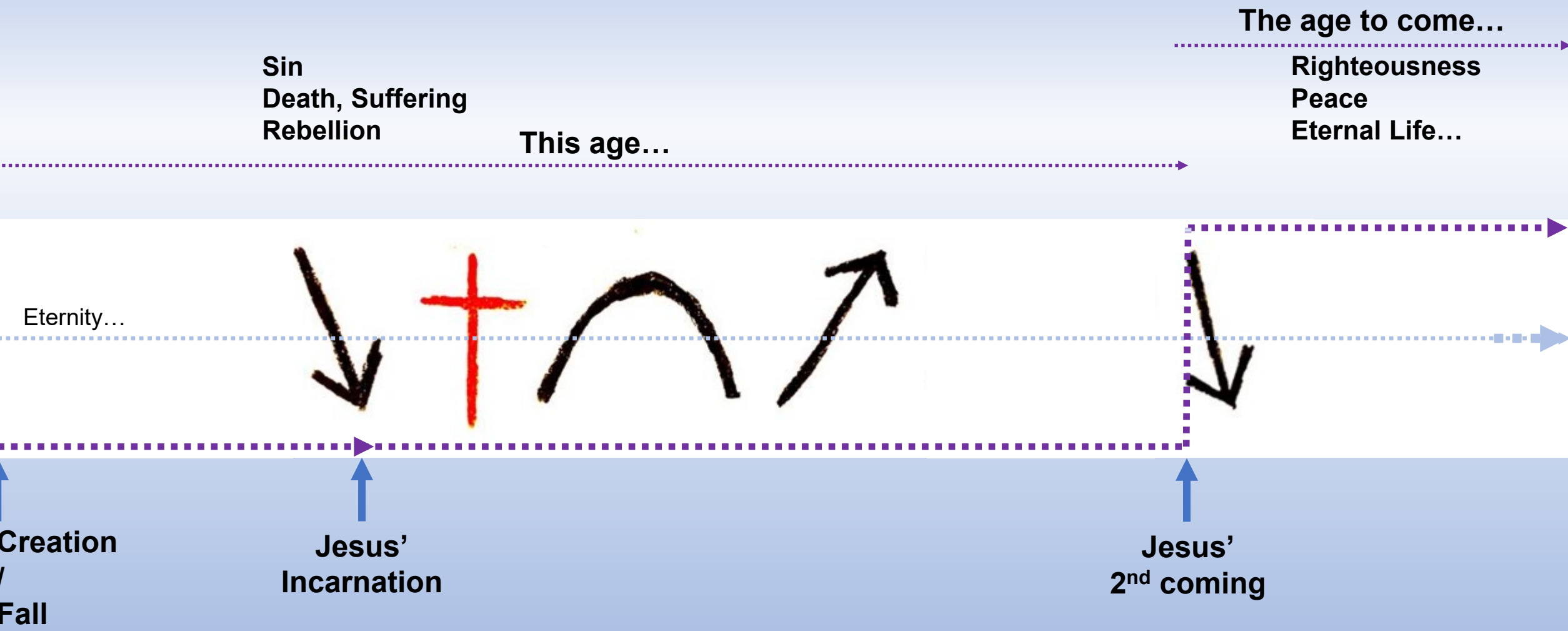
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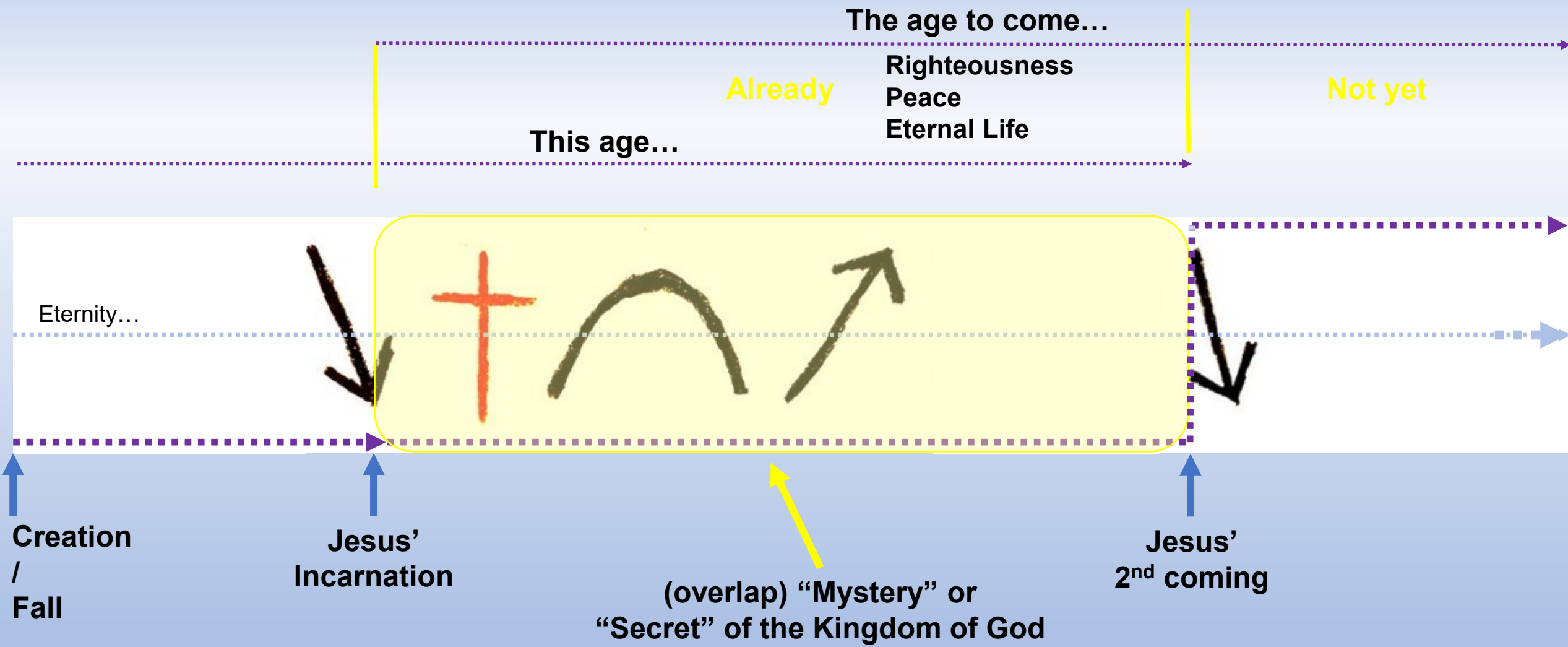


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