Bible Storyline Framework

I. Creation
   1. The Eternal God creates everything
   2. He creates humanity as the pinnacle of creation
   3. He pronounces everything to be good

II. Fall
   1. The first humans trusted their own wisdom, not God's Word
   2. They disobeyed God
   3. The transgression brought curse upon all creation
   4. All humanity lives under the curse and the wrath of God

III. Redemption
   1. God promised the first couple redemption would happen
   2. God rescued Noah and his family
   3. God called and gave promises to Abraham
   4. This promise is fulfilled and continued through the Exodus
   5. The promise is focused to King David and his descendant
   6. The redemption climaxes in Jesus
      a. He purchased redemption by paying sin's price
      b. He reconciled humanity to God
      c. He rose from the dead to begin the new humanity

IV. Tension
   1. Our redemption is accomplished yet not fully realized
      a. Accomplished
         1) With Jesus, something was absolutely completed
         2) We have the OT hope realized
         3) Salvation has been decisively purchased
         4) Evil has been decisively defeated
      b. Not yet fully realized
         1) At Jesus' return, everything will be consummated
         2) Salvation is being personally applied to believers
         3) We still struggle with sin
         4) We still experience evil, injustice, and suffering

2. We live with this tension
    a. in joy, gratitude and obedience for the accomplished
    b. working toward the full realization of all that is present
    c. and in expectant hope for the not yet realized

V. Consummation
1. This will happen at Jesus' return – no one knows the time
2. It will be glorious, beyond our imagination
3. All the damage of evil and sin will be erased
4. God's glory and justice will be fully vindicated
5. We will glorify and enjoy Him forever