

GENESIS 9:18-29

GOD PRESERVES HIS PROMISE: SIN, CURSES AND BLESSING

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GOD IS PRESERVING A GOSPEL LINE

I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." (Genesis 3:15)

And Adam knew his wife again, and she bore a son and called his name Seth, for she said, "God has appointed for me another offspring instead of Abel, for Cain killed him." To Seth also a son was born, and he called his name Enosh. At that time people began to call upon the name of the LORD. (Genesis 4:25-26)

Enoch walked with God after he fathered Methuselah 300 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Enoch were 365 years. Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him. (Genesis 5:22-24)

But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD. These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation. Noah walked with God. And Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. (Genesis 6:8-10)

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(18) The sons of Noah who went forth from the ark were Shem, Ham, and Japheth. (Ham was the father of Canaan.)

(19) These three were the sons of Noah, and from these the people of the whole earth were dispersed.

(20) Noah began to be a man of the soil, and he planted a vineyard.

(21) He drank of the wine and became drunk and lay uncovered in his tent.

(22) And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father and told his two brothers outside.

(23) Then Shem and Japheth took a garment, laid it on both their shoulders, and walked backward and covered the nakedness of their father. Their faces were turned backward, and they did not see their father's nakedness.

(24) When Noah awoke from his wine and knew what his youngest son had done to him,

(25) he said, "Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be to his brothers."

(26) He also said, "Blessed be the LORD, the God of Shem; and let Canaan be his servant.

(27) May God enlarge Japheth, and let him dwell in the tents of Shem, and let Canaan be his servant."

(28) After the flood Noah lived 350 years.

(29) All the days of Noah were 950 years, and he died.

GOD'S SIGN OF FUTURE GRACE

GOD GRACIOUSLY A COVENANT TO FULFILL A FUTURE, MORE GLORIOUS PURPOSE. THE RAINBOW WOULD SERVE AS A SIGN OF GOD'S MERCY AND COVENANT AND AS A REMINDER OF HIS PLAN... NOT TO **DESTROY** HIS PEOPLE WITH HIS WRATH, BUT TO **DELIVER** THEM FROM HIS WRATH AND FROM SIN.

- **GOD'S PLANS WOULD NOT BE THWARTED BY**
 - THE ENEMY'S **SCHEMES** (6:1-8)
 - GOD'S OWN **WRATH** AGAINST SIN (8)
 - MAN'S **SINFULNESS** (8:21-22)

JUST LIKE ADAM

NOAH WAS A MAN OF FAITH AND WAS THEREFORE DEEMED RIGHTEOUS... OBEDIENT, WALKING WITH THE LORD. NOAH WAS COMMISSIONED TO BE FRUITFUL AND MULTIPLY AND INHABIT THE EARTH

BUT NOAH WAS A SINNER BY **NATURE AND BY **CHOICE** (9:20-21)**

NOAH'S SIN WAS BY

NATURE: _____

CHOICE: _____

THE **EFFECT** OF NOAH'S SIN WAS **GENERATIONAL**

THE **LESSON** FROM NOAH'S SIN SHOULD MAKE US WISE AND RECOGNIZE THE DANGERS OF:

COMPLACENCY AND **DOUBLE-MINDEDNESS**

APPLICATION: _____

LIKE FATHER LIKE SON

THE HEART NATURE OF NOAH'S SONS WAS REVEALED IN THEIR RESPONSE TO NOAH'S SIN (9:22-23)

HAM: _____

SHEM AND JAPHETH: _____

PEOPLE OF BLESSING OR PEOPLE OF CURSE

Psalm 32:1 Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

THE ORACLE OF **CURSE FELL NOT ON HAM BUT ON **CANAAN** (9:25)**

- NOAH'S ORACLE OF CURSE WAS **PROPHETIC**
 - HAM'S OFFSPRING WOULD DESCEND INTO **DEPRAVITY**
 - ABRAHAM AND HIS DESCENDENTS WOULD COME UP AGAINST THE CANAANITES IN THE LAND OF PROMISE (GENESIS 13, 15, 18, 19, 38): THEY WERE MARKED BY ABJECT
 - **SENSUALITY**
 - **IDOLATRY**
 - **VIOLENCE**
 - MOSES (THE WRITER) IS SETTING THE STAGE FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD, THE ISRAELITES AND THEIR ENEMIES, THE CANAANITES. ONE WOULD BE COVERED WITH GOD'S GLORY AND FORGIVENESS, THE OTHER WOULD BE SHAMEFUL AND NAKED BEFORE GOD IN THEIR SIN. CANAAN WOULD SERVE HIS BROTHERS.

THE ORACLE OF **BLESSING ROSE NOT TO SHEM, BUT TO THE LORD. (9:26)**

- GOD'S **COVENANT**, RELATIONAL NAME IS USED, SHOWING
 - GOD'S PRESERVATION OF THE PROMISE OF THE SEED DELIVERER
 - GOD'S ULTIMATE BLESSING OF HIS PRESENCE AND HIS PROVISION
 - GOD'S PLAN TO MAKE A PEOPLE FOR HIMSELF, ISRAEL (GENESIS 11:26ff)

NOAH'S BLESSING **EXTENDS TO JAPHETH (9:27)**

- JAPHETH'S DESCENDENTS WOULD **SHARE** IN THE BLESSINGS OF SHEM'S RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COVENANT GOD. NOT PHYSICALLY IN THE OLD TESTAMENT, BUT **SPIRITUALLY** THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST (GALATIANS 3:29, COLOSSIANS 3:11, JOHN 1:29)