

GENESIS

5:1-32

THE GENERATIONS OF ADAM

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CROSS REFERENCES

"By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him."
(Hebrews 11:5-6)

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

2ND SECTION OF GENESIS

"This is the book of the Generations of Adam..."

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"This is the book of the generations of Adam. When God created man, he made him in the likeness of God. Male and female he created them, and he blessed them and named them Man when they were created. When Adam had lived 130 years, he fathered a son in his own likeness, after his image, and named him Seth. The days of Adam after he fathered Seth were 800 years; and he had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days that Adam lived were 930 years, and he died. When Seth had lived 105 years, he fathered Enosh. Seth lived after he fathered Enosh 807 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Seth were 912 years, and he died. When Enosh had lived 90 years, he fathered Kenan. Enosh lived after he fathered Kenan 815 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Enosh were 905 years, and he died. When Kenan had lived 70 years, he fathered Mahalalel. Kenan lived after he fathered Mahalalel 840 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Kenan were 910 years, and he died. When Mahalalel had lived 65 years, he fathered Jared. Mahalalel lived after he fathered Jared 830 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Mahalalel were 895 years, and he died. When Jared had lived 162 years, he fathered Enoch. Jared lived after he fathered Enoch 800 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Jared were 962 years, and he died. When Enoch had lived 65 years, he fathered Methuselah. 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. When Methuselah had lived 187 years, he fathered Lamech. Methuselah lived after he fathered Lamech 782 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Methuselah were 969 years, and he died. When Lamech had lived 182 years, he fathered a son and called his name Noah, saying, "Out of the ground that the LORD has cursed, this one shall bring us relief from our work and from the painful toil of our hands." Lamech lived after he fathered Noah 595 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Lamech were 777 years, and he died. After Noah was 500 years old, Noah fathered Shem, Ham, and Japheth." (Genesis 5:1-32)

GOD'S IMAGE AND GLORY

GOD'S IMAGE STAMPED ON MANKIND WAS NOT DESTROYED BUT WOULD BE PASSED DOWN FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION... THIS MEANS THEY WERE...

- ABLE TO HEAR GOD'S WORD
- CHARGED WITH RULING GOD'S WORLD
- THEY COULD HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD
- THEY WERE PARTAKERS OF GOD'S BLESSING AND GRACE WHICH HAD NOT BEEN DESTROYED BY THE FALL INTO SIN EITHER
 - THEY OBEYED THE COMMAND TO "BE FRUITFUL AND MULTIPLY"
 - "OTHER SONS AND DAUGHTERS" + LONG LIVES = EXPONENTIAL POPULATION GROWTH
 - SETH'S LINE BEGAN TO "CALL UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD" - "QARA"
 - FAITH AND FAITHFULNESS
 - PRAYER AND PROCLAMATION

GENEOLOGY AND THE GOSPEL

WHILE THIS IS NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE GENEALOGY (10 GENERATIONS JUST LIKE CHAPTER 4), THERE ARE CERTAIN THINGS WE CAN DRAW FROM THE GENERATIONS OF ADAM...

- EACH PERSON IS IMPORTANT TO GOD'S ECONOMY
- EACH PERSON'S DAYS ARE IMPORTANT TO GOD'S ECONOMY
- EACH PERSON'S DAYS ARE NUMBERED IN GOD'S ECONOMY
 - "MAVETH"- ONE SUCCINCT WORD OF FINALITY FOR EACH PERSON
 - DEATH IS UNIVERSAL BECAUSE SIN IS UNIVERSAL

REDEMPTIVE HOPE IN THE MIDST OF DEATH

THE 10 GENERATIONS OF CHAPTER 5'S GENEALOGY IS A CONTRAST TO THE 10 GENERATIONS OF CAIN'S GENEALOGY IN CHAPTER 4 – FROM THE CONTRAST IN STYLE, TO THE CONTRAST IN OUTCOME

- 7TH GENERATION – LAMECH VS. ENOC
 - LAMECH DEMONSTRATES THE DOWNWARD SPIRAL OF DEPRAVITY WITHOUT FAITH
 - ENOC "WALKED WITH GOD" – NOT BEFORE OR AFTER – NOT JUST ETHICAL BUT HOLY
 - DENOTES INTIMACY WITH GOD
 - DENOTES A LIFE PLEASING TO GOD
 - DENOTES A LIFE OF FAITH (HEBREWS 11:6)
 - HE BELIEVED IN GOD'S EXISTENCE
 - HE BELIEVED GOD REWARDS THOSE WHO SEEK HIM
 - HE BELIEVED GOD JUDGES AS WELL (JUDE 14-15)
 - LAMECH'S LIFE WAS A LIFE OF VIOLENCE, WHILE ENOC'S LIFE NEVER ENDED BUT SIMPLY CHANGED LOCATION - "HE WAS NOT" VS. "AND HE DIED"

THE PICTURE OF GOD'S REWARD AND JUDGMENT COMES INTO CLEAR VIEW IN THE LIFE OF NOAH... THE ONE THROUGH WHOM GOD WOULD BRING REST FROM THE CURSE ON THE GROUND- (GENESIS 5:29 AND GENESIS 8:21-22) BUT IS PERFECTLY SHOWN IN JESUS (ROMANS 3:23-25, ROMANS 6:23, 2 CORINTHIANS 5:21)