

Lesson 3: Genesis: The prince

Review

Genesis 12:1-4

- Genesis 11
 - Build a city & tower
 - Kingdom unto heaven
 - Genesis 10:5, 8-12, 31-32, 11:1-2
 - Whole earth
 - Genesis 10:9-12
 - Domineering nation and kingdom whose influence was over the entire earth

- Great Nation
 - Influence over the entire earth
 - Dominating nation over all others
 - Abraham and seed going to be a kingdom again on this earth that dominates over all other kingdoms & the reason the Lord Jesus Christ will be the King of kings and Lord of lords as Israel's king.

- 1 Chronicles 16:7-36
 - Context - God gave Israel rest from all enemies & ark of God in His city (Jerusalem) that He promised
 - Confirm plan for Nation of Israel is for reconciling the world & destroy SPoE (Prince of World)

- Luke 1:32-33
- Matthew 25:31-34

Preceding Context of Genesis 12

- Creation
 - Angelic Realm
 - Proverbs 8:22-30
 - Job 38:1-7

 - Ezekiel 28:11-12 -Lucifer = light bearer, bright one, shining one
 - Cherubim, Seraphim, Angels

 - Genesis 1:1-5, 6-8 (only day He doesn't call good)
 - Genesis 1:14-19 (4th day God distributes the light to the host of heaven and puts it in the sun, moon, and stars)

 - Ezekiel 28:11-19
 - Lucifer- light bearer
 - ◆ **Sealest up the sun** = crowning glory of angelic realm

 - ◆ **Full of wisdom** = occupy position in angelic realm commensurate with endowment

- ◆ **Perfect in beauty** = adorn and glorify his God who created him
- ◆ **Anointed cherub that covereth** = Position around His throne that exceeded all others
 - ◇ He bathed God's throne w/ the beauty of the splendor of his covering, and enveloped it with the music of his tabrets and pipes (orchestrated the angelic worship and praise of God)
- ◆ **Till iniquity was found in thee** = perverse violation of God's will and design filled the heart and from this point on he is described as a sinning creature who also set himself up as the determined adversary of God.
 - ◇ Does not cast himself upon God's mercy, but instead pursued a course of action in line with his iniquity
- ◆ **Filled the midst of thee with violence** = lifted up with pride and self-worth in connection with his beauty and privileges; deemed himself worthy of deserving praise and worship
 - ◇ In that direct context he rejected that which only belonged solely to God and thought such praise and worship was also fitting for him
 - ◇ He began a satan to his creator and acquired the name that perfectly described what he had become: SATAN.

Satan

- Adversary = conducts as an opponent or a hindrance to you by determining to stand in your way & challenge you
- Satan is committed to challenging God & His plan & purpose

Formulated a Plan of Evil

- Isaiah 14:12-15
 - I will ascend into heaven (sets the stage)
 - ◆ I will exalt my throne above the stars of God
 - ◆ I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north
 - ◆ I will ascend above the heights of the clouds
 - I will be like the most High (Genesis 14:18-20)
- I will ascend into heaven
 - Not just an excursion, but taking up a position (different planes or modes in the heavenly sphere)
 - ◆ Ephesians 1; 4:10
 - Possessed residency in the heavenly places
 - Ascend into the realm above that in which he already dwelt (the realm of God's own abode)
 - Occupy a greater position of rank and authority
 - ◆ Ascending to the throne - rule over subjects
 - ◆ Self-promotion
 - Naturally entails the need to occupy positions of authority and dominion above the rest of creation (next 3 "I wills")
- I will exalt my throne above the stars of God (1/3)

- Not simply the bright stars, but the angelic realm.
 - ◆ The angelic beings are spoken of as "stars" in connection with their occupation of the heavenly realm. (Job 38:7; Rev. 12:3-4)
 - ◆ Establishment of a throne above the angels, Satan will possess a position of exalted dominion over the angelic realm and the places in which they operate in creation
 - ◆ Exercise dominion over the heavenly places as if it were his own creation

- I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north (2/3)
 - "also" = I will sit also = another throne
 - "sides of the north" = Psalm 48:1-2