

Genesis Chapter 9: Scarlet Thread/Royal Grant

Lift Up Jesus

Genesis Chapter 8 Review: Taking off the Grave Clothes

- The **Flood Subsides**
- Noah leaves the Arc with the Animals; a Picture of the **Resurrected Life** we have in Jesus

*Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, **so we too might walk in newness of life** [Romans 6:4]*

Genesis Chapter 9

1And God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, "Be **fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth**. 2"The **fear** of you and the **terror of you** will be on every beast of the earth and on every bird of the sky; with everything that creeps on the ground, and all the fish of the sea, into your hand they are given. 3"Every moving thing that is alive **shall be food for you**; I give all to you, as I gave the green plant.

- Fruitful, multiply...fill the earth [redemption ready]
- **Different relationship** between man and animals
- **Fearful and Terrified**...Now food **w/ commandment**:

4"Only you **shall not eat flesh with its life**, that is, **its blood**".

- **Why? To Set Apart the *scarlet thread***
- **Blood: Life**
- Christ Animal skin, Abel's sacrifice, Rahab, Animal sacrifices, **Christ**

Hebrews 9:22 And according to the Law, one may almost say, all things are cleansed with **blood**, and without **shedding of blood** there is no forgiveness.

Hebrews 10:28 Anyone who has set aside the Law of Moses dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. 29 How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve who has **trampled under foot the Son of God, and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant** by which he was sanctified, and has insulted the Spirit of grace?

- **Blood:** Very Means of Man's Redemption [to buy back]

1 Peter 1:18 ...you were not **redeemed** with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, 19but with **precious blood**, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.

- Scarlet Thread seen in animal sacrifices: **Shadow of Christ**

Hebrews 10:1 ...the Law, since it has only a **shadow of the good things** to come and **not the very form of things**, can never, by the same sacrifices which they offer continually year by year, make perfect those who draw near.

- **A shadow of the Holy thus Holy themselves [set apart to God]**
- A picture **not to be broken**; that is, not to be **treated as unholy** [i.e. Uzzah and the Arc of the covenant, Moses and the water from the rock, Cain's sacrifice w/out blood. Etc)
- **Why not to eat blood:** Keep the picture of the precious blood of Christ clear for future generations

Leviticus 17:10-16 (Read) 'And any man from the house of Israel, or from the aliens who sojourn among them, who **eats any blood**, I will set My face against that person who eats blood and will cut him off from among his people. 11'For the **life of the flesh is in the blood**, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; **for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement.**'

- **Atonement:** At-one; mending that which is broken [currency of redemption; blood]
- "Life...and I have given it to you on the altar"

Revelation 13:8 ... book of life of the Lamb **slain from the foundation of the world.** [KJV]

1 Peter 1:18 ...knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, 19but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. 20For **He was foreknown before the foundation of the world**, but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you [fill in previous]

- Blood is **instrumental in Idolatrous practice and Satanism** [Gene Simmons] and an unholy substitute

Leviticus 17: 7"They shall **no longer sacrifice their sacrifices to the goat demons** with which they play the harlot. [Afterward instructions for correct sacrifice including prohibition of blood is given]

Ezekiel 33:25 ...'Thus says the Lord GOD, "You **eat** meat with the **blood** in it, lift up your eyes to your idols as you shed **blood** Should you then possess the land?

- Idolaters would **profane blood by drinking it, hoping for eternal life** that animal blood could never give
- Thus the command that we "**shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood**"
- Today **we are commanded to "drink blood"** [symbolic in communion] as we remember the shed blood of Christ, that is, the **New Covenant**

John 6:53 So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and **drink His blood**, you have no life in yourselves. [See John 6:66]

Matthew 26:27 (Read) And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; 28 for **this is My blood** of the covenant, which is poured out for many for forgiveness of sins. 29"But I say to you, I will not drink of this **fruit of the vine** from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom." [Ultimate communion]

- **The Resurrection:** Jesus fulfilled the "**scarlet thread**". Vindicated by the Father (shown to be true w/proof) and His blood revealed to be precious and sufficient to redeem us.
- **There is no need for the type any longer. What about Acts 15?**
- Later, Gentiles who turned to Christ would be told to abstain from blood in order **not to stumble believing Jews who knew the law of Moses**
- Believing gentiles were offending Believing Jews by eating meat w/blood

Acts 15:19 (Read) "Therefore it is my judgment that we **do not trouble those who are turning to God** from among the Gentiles, 20 but that we write to them that they abstain from things contaminated by idols and from fornication and from what is **strangled and from blood**. 21"For [the reason being] **Moses** from ancient generations has in every city those who **preach him**, since **he is read in the synagogues every Sabbath**."

- **Misapplication of this verse** by cults has led to the unnecessary death **of the innocent** [denying blood transfusions], the very thing God will deal with next in Genesis
- **Misunderstanding of the character of God**

John 5:39 "You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; it is these that testify about Me; 40 and you are **unwilling to come to Me so that you may have life**."

- **CONTEXT:** [20/20]Stumbling those weak and/or uninformed in the faith

1 Corinthians 8:13 Therefore, if food causes my brother to **stumble**, I will never eat **meat** again, so that I will not cause my brother to **stumble**.

Matthew 15: 7 (Read) "You hypocrites, rightly did Isaiah prophesy of you: 8' THIS PEOPLE HONORS ME WITH THEIR LIPS, BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR AWAY FROM ME. 9'BUT IN VAIN DO THEY WORSHIP ME, TEACHING AS DOCTRINES THE **PRECEPTS OF MEN**.'" 10After Jesus called the crowd to Him, He said to them, "Hear and understand. 11" **It is not what enters into the mouth that defiles the man, but what proceeds out of the mouth, this defiles the man.**" 12Then the disciples came and said to Him, "Do You know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this statement?"

- Why is Blood of such importance in Scripture?

Revelation 12:11 (Read) "And they **overcame him [Satan] because of the blood** of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love

their life even when faced with death.[Redemption]

5 "Surely I will require **your lifeblood**; from **every beast** I will require it. And from **every man**, from **every man's brother** I will require the life of man. 6"Whoever **sheds man's blood, By man** his blood shall be shed, For in the **image of God** He made man.

- **Beasts** that kill a man will be killed

Exodus 21:28"If an ox gores a man or a woman to death, the ox shall **surely be stoned** and its flesh shall not be eaten; but the owner of the ox shall go unpunished.

- Men that shed innocent blood shall be killed...**by man**

Exodus 21:12 "He who strikes a man so that he dies shall surely be put to death. 13"But if he did not lie in wait for him, but God let him fall into his hand, then I will appoint you a place to which he may flee. 14"If, however, a man acts presumptuously toward his neighbor, so as to kill him craftily, you are to take him **even from My altar**, that he may die.

Leviticus 24:17 'If a man takes the life of any human being, **he shall surely be put to death**.

Numbers 35:33 So you shall not pollute the land in which you are; for blood pollutes the land and no expiation can be made for the land for the blood that is shed on it, **except by the blood of him who shed it**.

Romans 13:3 For rulers are not a cause of fear for good behavior, but for evil. Do you want to have no fear of authority? Do what is good and you will have praise from the same; 4 for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for **it does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath on the one who practices evil**.

7"**As for you**, be fruitful and multiply; Populate the earth abundantly and multiply in it." 8Then God spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying, 9"Now behold, I Myself do establish My **covenant** with you, and with your descendants after you; 10and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the cattle, and every beast of the earth with you; of all that comes out of the ark, even every beast of the earth. 11"I establish My covenant with you; and all flesh shall never again be cut off by the water of the flood, neither shall there again be a flood to destroy the earth."

- **Covenant:** Contract or Agreement between two parties.

1. **Covenant in the Old Testament:** Hebrew "**berith**" derived a root meaning "to cut," and hence a covenant is a "cutting, **Reference to** the cutting or dividing of animals into two parts, and the contracting

parties passing between them, in making a covenant (Gen. 15; Jeremiah. 34:18, 19)

2. **Covenant in the New Testament:** The corresponding word to "**berith**" in the New Testament Greek is "**diatheke**" Rendered "**testament**" though ought to be rendered just as the word "**berith**" of the Old Testament, "**covenant**."

- Thus, the **Old and New Testament, the Old and New Covenant;**...the **Old and New** _____

Following: <http://net.bible.org/dictionary>

Old Agreement: Life promised through obedience i.e.: Adam and Eve

1. Contracting parties:

- (a) God the moral Governor
- (b) Adam, a free moral agent, and representative of all his natural posterity

(2.) The promise was "**life**"

(3.) The condition was **perfect obedience** to the law, the test in this case being abstaining from eating the fruit of the "tree of knowledge," etc. [Failure would lead to crying out for a Savior, God's plan]

(4.) The penalty was **death**

New Agreement: Life promised through Grace; a **Royal Grant** (Gift)

(1.) **Conditions on the part of the Father**

- (a) **Preparation to the Son** for the accomplishment of his work (Heb. 10:5; Isa. 42:1-7)
- (b) **Support** in the work (Luke 22:43);
- (c) **Glorious reward** in the exaltation of Christ when his work was done (Phil. 2:6-11)

(2.) **Conditions on the part of the Son**

- (a) **Becoming incarnate** (Gal. 4:4, 5)
- (b) As the second Adam his representing all his people, **assuming their place** and undertaking all their obligations under the violated covenant of works
- (c) **Obedying the law** (Ps. 40:8; Isa. 42:21; John 9:4, 5)
- (d) **Suffering its penalty** (Isa. 53; 2 Cor. 5:21; Gal. 3:13), in their stead.

Christ, the mediator of, **fulfils all its conditions in behalf of his people**, and dispenses to them all its blessings (Heb. 8:6; 9:15; 12:24) especially Deuteronomy 28 cf. Eph 1

- **Noahic covenant: *Royal Grant*;** unconditional divine promise
- God would never again totally destroy the world by flood [no matter what man does]
- God would reference this promise to Noah when speaking of **His future blessing of Israel:**

Isaiah 54:9 "For this is like the **days of Noah** to Me, When I swore that the waters

of Noah Would not flood the earth again; So I have sworn that **I will not be angry with you**, Nor will I rebuke you.

- **A Royal Grant to Israel As to Us:** A Promise that **CAN NOT FAIL**
- As believers, God is no longer angry with us; Jesus took the wrath!

John 10:27 "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; 28 and **I give eternal life** to them, and they will **never perish**; and **no one will snatch them** out of My hand.

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

12 God said, "This is the **sign** of the covenant which I am making between Me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all successive generations; 13 **I set My bow in the cloud**, and it shall be for a **sign of a covenant** between Me and the earth.

- **Sign:** To Read and Remember God's Promise and **give Him Glory**

Ezekiel 1:28 As the appearance of the rainbow in the clouds on a rainy day, so was the appearance of the surrounding radiance Such was the appearance of the **likeness of the glory of the LORD** And when I saw it, I fell on my face and heard a voice speaking.

14 "It shall come about, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow will be seen in the cloud, 15 and **I will remember My covenant**, which is between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and never again shall the water become a flood to destroy all flesh.

- **God remembers** and is **Faithful to His Promises:**

Leviticus 26:42 ...then **I will remember My covenant with Jacob**, and I will remember also My covenant with Isaac, and My covenant with Abraham as well, and I will remember the land... 45 "But I will remember for them the covenant with their ancestors, whom I brought out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their God. I am the LORD."

Deuteronomy 7:9 "Know therefore that the LORD your God, He is God, the faithful God, **who keeps His covenant** and His lovingkindness to a thousandth generation with those who love Him and keep His commandments...

Ezekiel 16:60 [After Israel broke their covenant with God] "Nevertheless, **I will remember My covenant** with you in the days of your youth, and I will establish an **everlasting covenant** with you.

16 "When the bow is in the cloud, then **I will look** upon it, to remember the **everlasting covenant** between God and every living

creature of all flesh that is on the earth."

- **Rainbow:** For us to look and give Glory; God to look and Remember
- God's **Everlasting Royal Grants:** Noah, Abraham, David

Genesis 17:13 "A servant who is born in your house or who is bought with your money shall surely be circumcised; thus shall My covenant be in your flesh for an **everlasting covenant**... 19But God said, "No, but Sarah your wife will bear you a son, and you shall call his name Isaac; and I will establish My covenant with him for an **everlasting covenant for his descendants after him**."

2 Samuel 23:5 "Truly is not my house so with God? For He has made an **everlasting covenant** with me, Ordered in all things, and secured; For all my salvation and all my desire, Will He not indeed make it grow?"

17And God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant which I have established between Me and all flesh that is on the earth." 18Now the sons of Noah who came out of the ark were **Shem and Ham and Japheth**; and Ham was the **father of Canaan**. 19These three were the sons of Noah, and from these the **whole earth was populated**.

- Shem, Ham and Japheth
- **Ham: Immediately associated with Canaan**
- Whole earth was populated: One of these guys is your uncle?

Genesis 10:32 These are the families of the sons of Noah, according to their genealogies, by their nations; and **out of these the nations were separated** on the earth after the flood.

20Then Noah began farming and planted a vineyard. 21He drank of the wine and **became drunk**, and uncovered himself inside his tent.

- **When the Righteous falter:** Noah, Peter, us
- Wonderful Benefits of Alcohol:

Proverbs 23:29 Who has woe? Who has sorrow? Who has contentions? Who has complaining? Who has wounds without cause? Who has redness of eyes? 30Those who linger long over wine, Those who go to taste mixed wine.

Proverbs 20: 1 Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler, And **whoever is intoxicated by it is not wise**.

Proverbs 31:4 It is **not for kings**, O Lemuel, It is not for kings to drink wine, Or for rulers to desire strong drink... [Darius; see Daniel]

Isaiah 5:22 **Woe to those who are heroes in drinking** wine And valiant men in mixing strong drink...

Isaiah 56:12 "Come," they say, "let us get wine, and let us drink heavily of strong drink; And tomorrow will be like today, only more so."

Isaiah 28:7 And these also reel with wine and stagger from strong drink: The priest and the prophet reel with strong drink, They are confused by wine, they

stagger from strong drink; They reel while having visions, They totter when rendering judgment.

- What about **LOVE**?

Colossians 4:5 Conduct yourselves with **wisdom toward outsiders**, making the **most of the opportunity**.

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

- Father of **Canaan**
- **Saw the nakedness**: Gawked? America's check-out stand? Spy cams

Habakkuk 2:15 "Woe to you who make your neighbors drink, Who mix in your venom even to make them drunk **So as to look on their nakedness!**

Jeremiah 8:22 "Were they ashamed because of the abomination they had done? They certainly were not ashamed, And they did not know how to **blush**; Therefore they shall fall among those who fall

23 **But** Shem and Japheth took a garment and laid it upon both their shoulders and walked backward and **covered the nakedness** of their father; and their faces were turned away, so that they did not see their father's nakedness.

Honoring of Parents leading to Blessing:

1 Peter 4:8 Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because **love covers a multitude of sins**.

Exodus 20:12 "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the LORD your God gives you.

Deuteronomy 5:16 "Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, that your days may be prolonged and that it may go well with you on the land which the LORD your God gives you.

Dishonoring of Parents leading to Shame:

Deuteronomy 27:16 Cursed is he who dishonors his father or mother.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Exodus 21:17 "He who curses his father or his mother shall surely be put to death.

Leviticus 20:9 "If there is anyone who curses his father or his mother, he shall surely be put to death; he has cursed his father or his mother, his blood guiltiness is upon him.

Ezekiel 22:7 "They have treated father and mother lightly within you The alien they have oppressed in your midst; the fatherless and the widow they have wronged in you.

24When Noah awoke from his wine, he knew what his youngest son **had done to him**. 25So he said, "**Cursed be Canaan**; A servant of servants He shall be to his brothers."

- **Had done to him?** More than we know?
- God Curses the wrongdoer's [Ham's] son?
- God foreknew Canaan's future wickedness:

Leviticus 18:2 (Read) "Speak to the sons of Israel and say to them, 'I am the LORD your God. 3'You shall not do what is done in the land of Egypt where you lived, **nor are you to do what is done in the land of Canaan** where I am bringing you; you shall not walk in their statutes... 6 'None of you shall **approach any blood relative of his to uncover nakedness**; I am the LORD. 7'You shall not **uncover the nakedness of your father**, that is, the nakedness of your mother. She is your mother; you are not to uncover her nakedness. [etc.]

- God would use **Canaan for His purpose**: To perfect Israel

Judges 3:1 Now these are the nations which the LORD left, to test Israel by them (that is, all who had not experienced any of the wars of Canaan; 2 only in order **that the generations of the sons of Israel might be taught war...** [cf. Romans 9]

- What [who] did he **leave with you**? Cf. Ephesians 6

26He 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."

- **LORD blessed**; God of Shem; **Canaan to serve**
- Japheth and Shem to hang together; **Canaan to serve**
- Serve as in **Forced Labor**
- **Canaan cursed for dishonoring his father**

Joshua 9:23"Now therefore, **you are cursed**, and you shall **never cease being slaves**, both hewers of wood and drawers of water for the house of my God."

- A picture our flesh; a slave to sin apart from Christ

Joshua 16:10 But they did not drive out the **Canaanites** who lived in Gezer, so the Canaanites live in the midst of Ephraim to this day, and they **became forced laborers**.

Judges 1:28 It came about when Israel became strong, that they put the **Canaanites to forced labor**, but they did not drive them out completely... 30Zebulun did not drive out the inhabitants of Kitron, or the inhabitants of Nahalol; so the **Canaanites** lived among them and became **subject to forced labor...**

33Naphtali did not drive out the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh, or the inhabitants of Beth-anath, but lived among the **Canaanites**, the inhabitants of the land; and the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh and Beth-anath **became forced labor** for them...

35yet the Amorites persisted in living in Mount Heres, in Aijalon and in Shaalbim; but when the power of the house of Joseph grew strong, **they became forced labor**.

1 Kings 9:20 As for all the people who were left of the Amorites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Hivites and the Jebusites, who were not of the sons of Israel, 21 their descendants who were left after them in the land whom the sons of Israel were unable to destroy utterly, from them Solomon **levied forced laborers, even to this day**.

- Elephant in the room: **No Ham** [hardly mentioned by Noah]

28Noah lived three hundred and fifty years after the flood. 29So all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years, and he died.

SUMMARY:

- **Same: Fruitful and Multiply**
- **Different:** Animals Fear, now able to be eaten and God decrees protection of the **Scarlet Thread**: Shadow of God's means of Redemption, not to be treated as unholy
- **Covenants:** Royal Grant to Noah [New Beginning] anticipates the New Agreement, or Covenant, also a gift [New Life]
- **Noah over-relaxes**, Ham sins, Canaan is cursed, Japheth and Shem are blessed
- **Table of Nations** from the three sons next week