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I. THE GENEALOGY FROM ADAM TO NOAH (5)

ADAM (v. 1-5)

- A. (v. 1-2)
 - 1. "This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him; Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created."
 - a. "Adam" Heb. "Man; Mankind"
 - b. "and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created."
 - 1) "blessed" Heb. "kneel; congratulate; pronounced blessing; invocation of blessing"
 - We have the picture of God having them kneel down and publicly pronouncing blessing over them.
 - i. **KEY**: God performed the <u>FIRST WEDDING</u> <u>CEREMONY</u>, in a Garden!
 - 2) "called" heb. "proclaimed; shouted; read aloud"
 - a) The <u>FIRST PRONOUNCEMENT</u> of Husband and Wife!
 - 3) "their name Adam"
 - a) This was the <u>FIRST NAME CHANGE</u> after a wedding, when the Wife took the name of her Husband!
 - i. Not Adam & Eve.
 - ii. Not Adam & Adam-Eve.
 - iii. But, "Mr. and Mrs. Adam"!

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B. (v. 3)

- 1. "And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat a son in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:"
 - a. "in his own likeness, after his image"
 - 1) Here we see the <u>HEREDITARY FALLEN NATURE</u>, and moral corruption, that is passed down from Adam (our Federal Head) to his descendants (Us) <u>HEREDITARY</u> DEPRAVITY.
 - a) Cf. Psalm 51:5 "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me."
 - b) Cf. Romans 5:12, 17-18 "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: ... For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.) Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life."
 - c) Cf. Ephesians 2:3 Without Christ, we "were by nature the children of wrath, even as others."

C. (v. 5)

- 1. "And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died."
 - a. "and he died"
 - 1) **NOTE**: God told Adam, "For in the day that you eat thereof, you shall surely die," (Gen. 2:17) and that's exactly what happened 930 years later. After a long life, Adam eventually returned "unto dust" (Gen. 3:19).

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- a) Cf. Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."
 - i. **KEY**: Sin always leads to death.
 - a. Sin will kill:
 - i. Your relationships.
 - ii. Your joy.
 - iii. You conscience.
- b) Cf. 1 Corinthians 15:21-22 "For since <u>by man</u> <u>came death</u>, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as <u>in Adam all die</u>, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

SETH (v. 6-8)

- D. (v. 6)
 - **1.** "Seth" Heb. "Appointed"

ENOS (v. 9-11)

- E. (v. 9)
 - **1.** "Enos" Heb. Heb. "Mortal; Frailty", idea of "Subject to Death"

CAINAN (v. 12-14)

- F. (v. 12)
 - 1. "Cainan" Heb. "Fixed"; "Dwelling Place"

MAHALALEEL (v. 15-17)

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- **G.** (v. 15)
 - 1. "Mahalaleel" Heb. "Praise God"

JARED (v. 18-20)

- H. (v. 18)
 - **1.** "Jared" Heb. "Descent; One comes down"

ENOCH (v. 21-24)

- I. (v. 21)
 - **1.** "Enoch"- Heb. "Dedicated; Consecrated"
- J. (v. 22)
 - 1. "And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:"
 - a. "Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah"
 - 1) **NOTE**: Enoch started to walk with God <u>AFTER</u> his son was born, when he was 65 years old!
 - 2) **KEY**: It's never too late to start walking with God!
 - a) Like Enoch, God wants you to *walk* with Him! And there will come a generation of believers that, like Enoch, will be translated and caught away!
 - b. **KEY**: Christianity is *walking with God* (i.e. fellowship with God)!
 - 1) God never intended you to *walk* alone. (Gen. 3:8)
- K. (v. 23-24)

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- 1. "And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him."
 - a. Enoch started walking with God at 65 years old (v. 21), but lived another 300 years walking closely with Him!
 - b. "and he was not; for God took Him"
 - 1) "he was not" Heb. "he was gone; he disappeared"
 - a) Cf. Hebrews 11:5 "By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God."
 - i. "translated" Gr. "transported; removed; transferred; transposed; carried over"
 - a. This is the <u>FIRST RAPTURE</u> of the Bible!
 - ii. **NOTE**: Enoch "was not found"! That means they were looking for him!!! Enoch was on the ancient milk cartons! "Where's Enoch?! Where did he go? He was here for 365 years. He couldn't have just disappeared!"
 - iii. **NOTE**: The only other person that never died was Elijah (2 Kings 2:11)!
 - b) **NOTE**: There is a contrast in the Text between the multiple uses of the phrase "and he died" with the singular use of "and he was not; for God took Him."
 - i. **KEY**: There will be a generation of believers that will not see death, but will be raptured and snatched away to be with the Lord. I believe that we could be that generation!

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- c. **KEY**: Enoch lived in wicked times, yet he still walked with God. So, it doesn't matter that we live in dark and wicked times, you can still walk with God!
 - 1) Cf. Jude 14-15 "And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him."
 - a) NOTE: Enoch was <u>THE FIRST PROPHET</u> in the Bible, and he prophesied of the 2nd Coming of Christ and the coming judgment!

METHUSELAH (v. 25-27)

- L. (v. 25)
 - 1. "Methuselah" Heb. "Dying, He shall send"
 - a. **NOTE**: The oldest man that ever lived was outlived by his father!
 - 1) Oldest man = Methuselah (969 years old)
 - 2) His father? = Enoch (taken at 365 years old and didn't die, thus now over 5,000 years old!)
 - b. **NOTE**: Adam knew Methuselah for 243 years!
 - c. NOTE: Enoch started walking with God after Methuselah was born (v. 22) and became a prophet (Jude 14-15). It could be that Enoch received the prophecy from the Lord about the coming Flood, so he gave his son a prophetic name and started walking with the Lord! As long as Methuselah was alive, the Flood would not come.

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- 1) **Q** = Can you imagine how everyone reacted whenever he'd get sick?... "Oh no! Here it comes! The signs of the times! We're getting close!"
- d. **KEY**: Methuselah died in the year 1656 after Creation, thus the Flood happened 1656 years after Creation!
 - 1) **Q** = Methuselah died at 969 years old, and in the year that he died, the Flood came. What does that tell you about God?... **He is so patient and didn't want to send a big Flood**!
 - a) Cf. 2 Peter 3:8-9 "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

LAMECH (v. 28-31)

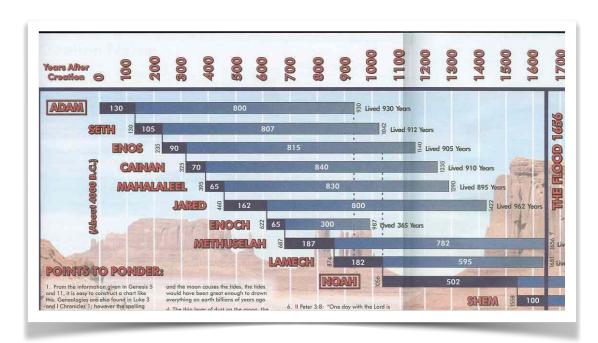
- M. (v. 28)
 - **1.** "Lamech" Heb. "Lowly; Depressed; Despairing"
 - a. **KEY**: Lamech overlapped Adam by 56 years, thus probably knew Adam.
 - 1) Lamech died 5 years before Methuselah his father. I can't imagine the heartbreak of Methuselah when his son Lamech died!
- N. (v. 30)
 - 1. "And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and begat sons and daughters:"
 - a. "and begat sons and daughters"

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1) Lamech's other children were Noah's siblings who would all eventually die in the Flood.

NOAH (v. 32)

- O. (v. 32)
 - 1. "Noah" Heb. "Rest; Comfort"
 - 2. "...and Noah begat Shem, Ham, and Japheth."
 - a. Shem was not the firstborn, but because his line is from which the Messiah will come, he's mentioned first.
 - 1) Japheth was the oldest (Gen. 10:21; 1 Chron. 1:5), then Shem (Gen. 10:21; 1 Chron. 1:24), and then Ham (Gen. 9:24; 10:6; 1 Chron. 1:8).
 - 2) **NOTE**: 2 years after the Flood, Shem was 100 years old (Gen. 11:10), thus Shem was 98 years old when the Flood came. So, Noah was 502 years old when Shem was born (Year 1558 after Creation).
 - b. **KEY**: The first 2,158 years of history are covered by three men whose lives overlap Adam, Methuselah, and Shem!
 - c. **NOTE**: After the flood, Shem overlapped and knew Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob! Shem even outlived Abraham by 35 years!



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GENEALOGICAL LINE OF THE MESSIAH						
Name	Meaning	Year of Father's Birth After Creation	Father's Age at Birth of Seed-Son	Years Lived After Birth of Seed-Son	Father's Total Age	Year of Father's Death
Adam	Man	1	130	800	930	930
Seth	Appointed	130	105	807	912	1042
Enosh	Mortal; Frailty; Subject To Death	235	90	815	905	1140
Cainan	Fixed; Dwelling Place	325	70	840	910	1235
Mahalalel	Praise God	395	65	830	895	1290
Jared	Descent; One Comes Down	460	162	800	962	1422
Enoch	Dedicated; Consecrated	622	65	300	365	(987)
Methuselah	Dying, He Shall Send	687	187	782	969	1656
Lamech	Lowly; Depressed; Despairing	874	182	595	777	1651
Noah *The Flood	Rest; Comfort	1056 *1656	(500) 600	450	950	2006

d. "Man - Appointed - Mortal / Subject To Death - (from his)
Dwelling Place, - Praise God - One Comes Down Dedicated - Dying, He Shall Send - the Lowly and
Despairing, - Comfort / Rest." - THE GOSPEL HIDDEN IN THE
GENEALOGY!

II. THE DAYS OF NOAH (6)

POPULATION EXPLOSION (v. 1)

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A. (v. 1)

- 1. "And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them,"
 - a. "when men began to multiply"
 - 1) It's hard to give an actual number of the population before the Flood, but some estimate between 5—17 billion people, probably about 10 billion.
 - b. "men" Heb. adam "mankind"
 - c. "daughters were born unto them"
 - 1) Daughters were born unto men ("mankind").
 - a) In other words, these were *human* women.

OCCULTIC AND DEMONIC ACTIVITY (v. 2-4)

- B. (v. 2)
 - 1. "That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose."
 - a. **NOTE**: When we come to the Scriptures, we are to let the Text speak for itself, even if it is uncomfortable and weird, or we don't fully understand it.
 - b. "sons of God" Heb. B'nai HaElohim "sons of Elohim"
 - 1) They are distinct from "men" (v. 1) and "daughters of men" (v. 1-2), thus a 3rd group.
 - 2) The phrase in Hebrew is *B'nai HaElohim* ("sons of Elohim"), which is a term <u>CONSISTENTLY</u> used in the O.T. for "Angels", and is *never* used of believers in the O.T.
 - a) Cf. Job 1:6—2:13; 38:7; etc.

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- b) **The LXX** (~250 B.C.) translates it "sons of angels".
- c) <u>Josephus</u>: 1 "For many **angels of God**accompanied with women, and begat sons that
 proved unjust, and despisers of all that was good,
 on account of the confidence they had in their own
 strength; for the tradition is, that these men did
 what resembled the acts of those whom the
 Grecians call giants."
- d) Many of the ancient Jewish writings understood these as angels:
 - i. The Book of Enoch and the Dead Sea Scrolls documents of Qumran understood this is angels.²
 - ii. The Targum Pseudo-Jonathan (6:1; 6:2; 6:4) also make these angels.
 - iii. Seven books in the Pseudopigrapha interpret this as a reference to angels (I Enoch 6:1-2; Jubilees 4:15, 5:6; II Enoch 18; II Baruch 56; and The Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs [Reuben 5:5-6 and Naphtali 3:3-5]).
 - iv. Philo and the *Midrashim* also hold the view that these are angels.³
- 3) **NOTE**: There are those that want to say that the "daughters of men" were the ungodly line of Cain and the "sons of God" were the godly line of Seth. However, there are major problems with that view, and it's a forced interpretation.
 - a) The use of the Hebrew word ha-adam in verse 1 is generic for "mankind", which would include the males in both Seth's and Cain's lines, and also includes females. Thus, verse 1 is stating that men and women from both lines were multiplying the

¹ Antiquities 1:73.

 $^{^{\}rm 2}$ The Genesis Apocrypha; The Damascus Document 2:16-19; The Zadokite Document.

³ Yalkut 44; Pirkei Avot Rabbi Eliezer 22.

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human race and there is no distinction between the Sethites and Cainites.

- NOTE: If taken as a proper name, it would say, "the daughters of <u>Adam</u>," which are all females descendent from <u>Adam</u>.
- b) If "the sons of God" were the godly line of Seth, why would godly men marry ungodly women?
- c) The line of Seth was not godly (4:29; 6:12), since they all died in the flood, except for 9 people Noah's family and Enoch!
- d) This view doesn't explain the *Unnatural Offspring*.
 - i. Believers marrying unbelievers may produce "monsters," but not *superhuman* children!
- c. "they took them wives of all which they chose"
 - 1) "took" Heb. "taken by force; seized; captured"
 - a) This speaks of a one-way, unreciprocated marriage.
 - 2) The "sons of God" are the specific group of Fallen Angels referred to in the New Testament that were so bad that God had to chain them up in the lowest parts of Hell.
 - a) Cf. 2 Peter 2:4-6 "For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell [Tarterus], and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly; And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;"
 - b) Cf. Jude 6-7 "And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto

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the judgment of the great day. <u>Even as</u> Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire."

- i. **NOTE**: There are those that question this because they misread what Jesus said and believe that Angels are sexless. Not so.
 - a. Cf. Matthew 22:30 "For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven."
 - i. Jesus said that they don't "marry," but said nothing about anatomy or sexual capacity. Whenever Angels appear in the Bible, they always appear as young men (Gen. 18:1-19:22; Mark 16:5-7; Luke 24:4-7; Acts 1:10-11).
 - ii. Also, Jesus is referring specifically to the angels of God "in heaven," not those fallen angels on earth.
- c) **NOTE**: Satan was trying to thwart God's promise of the Messiah (Gen. 3:15) by infiltrating the gene pool, but he wasn't able to thwart God's program.
- d) **KEY**: Genesis 6:1-2 is Satan's response to Genesis 3:15. This was a satanic attempt to corrupt the Seed of the Woman by having some of his angels take on human form and intermarry with human women to try to corrupt the seed so that the Messiah could not come. There is a parallel here with Genesis 3:6, where in the case of Eve: The woman saw that the tree was good for food, and...she took. With the three words saw, good, and took; she violated a barrier between God and man. Now 6:2 states that these angels saw the daughters of men that they were fair and they took... Here again, the same three words are used:

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saw, good, and took, and they violated the barrier between angels and men.⁴

- 3) The world was so corrupted by the depravity of man, that people were involved with the Occult and allowed demons to do unspeakable things to them.
 - a) Today, many people open themselves up to Occultic realms through altered states of consciousness (i.e. Eastern Mysticism; Yoga; Drug Use; etc.)
 - i. There are those that speak of UFOs and "Aliens" visiting them, and I believe that many of these people have genuine experiences in an altered state, but that these "Aliens" are nothing more than Demons deceiving people through these supernatural, paranormal experiences.
- 4) There was worldwide Occultic and Demonic activity before the time of the Flood, so it shouldn't surprise us that many women would be taken advantage of and have depraved sexual experiences with demons.
 - a) Cf. Ephesians 5:11-12 There are a lot of sick fetishes and things people get into today that, like Paul said to the church at Ephesus, "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret."
 - i. Lately in the news, there's been a story about Johnny Depp and Amber Heard that so many people are intrigued by and are following, but I have not been able to even read about it because of the depraved allegations and sexually perverted content. It is a shame to even speak of those things!
- 5) Today, the Occult, even in subtle forms, is becoming a Worldwide phenomena.

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a) Satanism/Luciferianism and the Occult is becoming mainstream.

C. (v. 3)

- 1. "And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years."
 - a. "an hundred and twenty years"
 - 1) This is a 120-year period of grace before the Flood.
 - a) Cf. 1 Peter 3:20 "Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water."
 - i. **KEY**: GOD IS SO PATIENT!!!
 - b) **Q** = Why hasn't God already brought the Great Tribulation Period?!...
 - i. Cf. 2 Peter 3:8-9 "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

D. (v. 4)

- 1. "There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown."
 - a. "giants" Heb. Nephilim "fallen ones"

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- 1) LXX Gr. gigantes "earth-born"
 - a) Latin "Titans"
 - i. The *Titans* were part man and part god. They had human characteristics, but were also SUPERHUMAN.
- 2) **NOTE**: This was a <u>GENE POOL PROBLEM!</u>
 - a) It seems that Noah's family was the only family that was genetically pure. (v. 9)
- b. "also after that"
 - 1) Some scholars see this as a phrase that is just reiterating verse 2, and then adds "and they bare children to them", thus the *giants* "in those days" were born "to them", referring to those sexual relations <u>BEFORE</u> the Flood.
 - 2) Other scholars see this as acknowledging more *Nephilim* later on <u>AFTER</u> "those days" and after the Flood.
 - a) Cf. Genesis 14:5-7; 15:20; 19:38;l Numbers 13:29-33;14:6-9; <u>Deuteronomy 2:10-11, 20-23; 3:11-13</u>; Joshua 11:21-22; 12:4; 13:12; 14:12-15; 17:15; 21:11; 1 Samuel 17:40; 2 Samuel 5:18, 22; 21:16-22; 21:16-20; 23:13; 1 Chronicles 11:15; 14:9; 20:4-8; Isaiah 17:5; 40:17, 22; Amos 2:9-10

WICKEDNESS OF SOCIETY (v. 5-8)

VIOLENCE, CORRUPTION, AND IMMORALITY (v. 9-13)

GOD'S JUDGMENT AND RESCUE PLAN (v. 14-22)

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2. Noah's Ark.⁵

