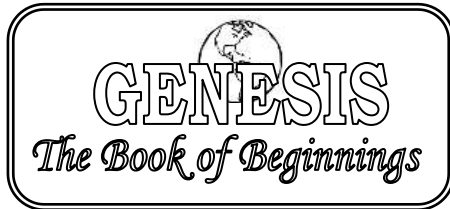


Genesis

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Lesson One
In the Beginning, Genesis 1:1-2

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

In the beginning,

This is the only doctrine of creation that has a beginning
What was in the beginning? Eph. 1:4, 2 Tim. 1:9, 1 Pet. 1:20
If one believes the first verse, everything else is easy

God

God is eternal. Psalm 90:2, John 1:1-10
Refutes atheism (no God), pantheism (all God), polytheism
(multiple gods) and evolution
Elohim (God) is plural, Bara (created) is singular
Denying God proves their folly (Romans 1:28, 22, Psalm 14:1)

created

Only God creates (bara), Ps 33:6, Jn 1:1-3, Heb 11:3, 2 Pet 3:5
God created all things *ex nihilo* (out of nothing)
The relationship of science and the Bible

the heavens and the earth.

Heavens: vast expanses of space in the universe
Earth: Matter that would occupy space and time
God created all things

The earth was without form and void,

The created heavens and earth were without order and formless
Gap theory (millions of years and creation between verse 1 & 2)
not workable, Exodus 20:11

and darkness was over the face of the deep.

The formless world awaited God's light making, life giving work

And the Spirit of God

The Holy Spirit moved over the waters, 2 Peter 1:20
God head involved in creation: Father, Holy Spirit (1:2),
Son John 1:1-3, Hebrews 1:1-3, Colossians 1:16-17

was hovering over the face of the waters.

This is a symbol of God's protection, majesty and power
The rest of Scripture explains why Gen 1:1-2 (creation) happened

**God Made
Three Things
in Genesis 1:1**

In The Beginning,
TIME

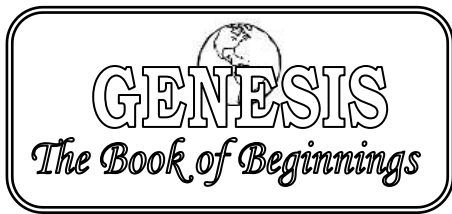
God made the

Heavens
SPACE

and the earth
**MATTER/
ENERGY**

God took a
world of
confusion and
darkness and
made it into the
perfect world.

1 Corinthians 14:33
*"For God is not a
God of confusion,*



Lesson Two

Six Days of Creation, 1:3-2:3

Each day of creation was most likely a literal 24 hour day rather than an Age.

GOD FORMED	GOD FILLED
Day One: Light (1:3-5) Basic principle for all life	Day Four: Sun Moon and Stars (1:14-19) Two purposes: the lighting of the earth and the division of time
Day Two: Sky and Waters (1:6-8) Isaiah 40:22, Job 37:16 Sky “beaten out” or spread (water jacket)	Day Five: Fish and Birds (1:20-23) Made to fill waters and skies (1:20-23)
Day Three: Land, Seas & Vegetation(1:9-13) Psalm 104:5-9 is a good description God created natural laws of reproduction	Day Six: Animals and Mankind (1:24-31) Animals were to fill the earth Man made in the likeness of God (Eph. 4:24) ‘Adam means ground (origin of flesh)
Day Seven: God Rested (2:1-3) Shabbath - means to cease, Exodus 20:8-11	

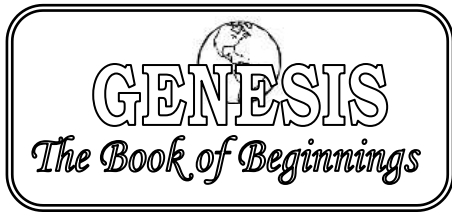
Each Day:

1. Introduction: “God said”
2. Command: “Let there be”
3. Result of Command: “And it was so”
4. Command worked out - God divided, made, etc.
5. Naming what had been made - God called (first three acts)
6. Classifying what had been made, according to its kind (fourth, sixth and seventh acts)
7. Blessing what had been made “God blessed” (sixth and seventh acts)
8. Evaluation: “God saw that it was good” (12, 18, 21, 25 and especially 31)

Lessons From Creation:

1. God is in control
2. The world is made in an orderly manner
3. Superiority of mankind

The Genesis account of creation “is unique in ancient literature. It undoubtedly reflects an advanced monotheistic point of view, with a sequence of creative phases so rational that modern science cannot improve on it, given the same language and the same range of ideas in which to state its conclusions. In fact, modern scientific cosmogonies show a disconcerting tendency to be short-lived and it may be seriously doubted whether science has yet caught up with the Biblical story” Old Testament Commentary, Alleman and Flack editors quoting archeologist W.F. Albright.



Lesson Three Human Origins, 2:4-17

Do Genesis One & Two Contradict?

No! (Mt. 19:4-6: Gen. 1:27, 2:24)

The Earth at the Time of the Garden of Eden, 2:4-6

The earth was watered irrigationally (the word mist is more accurately translated a “stream”)
Genesis 9:11-17: The Covenant of Noah with the rainbow as a sign

Plant of the field (*siah*, translated as thorns) and herb (*eseb*, cultivated plants) read 3:17-18

Man is Formed, 2:7

The dust of the ground and the breath of life (both the heights and depths of man’s existence)
Ecclesiastes 12:7, 1 Corinthians 15:47

Plants are alive (reproduce and metabolize) as do the animals and man

Animals have feelings and intelligence (living beings, 1:20-21, 24, 29, 30) as does man

Mankind is made in the image of God (God breathed), Genesis 1:26-27 and is a living soul

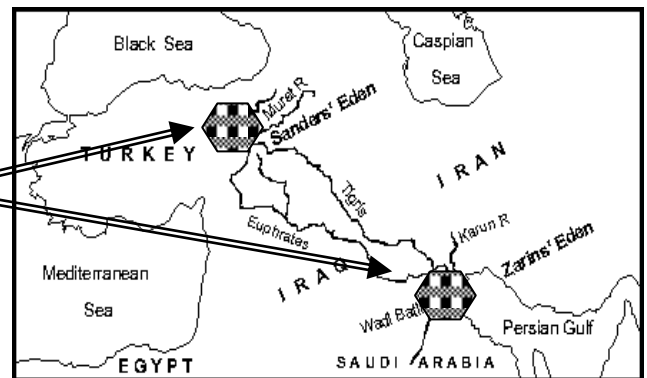
God placed man in Eden, 2:8-14

Every thing man needed was in the Garden

The tree of life and the tree of knowledge: a sign of life (Rev. 22:14) and a sign of death (2:17)

The rivers: Pishon (the springer)
Gihon (the gusher)
Hiddekel (Tigris)
Euphrates

Where Was
Eden?



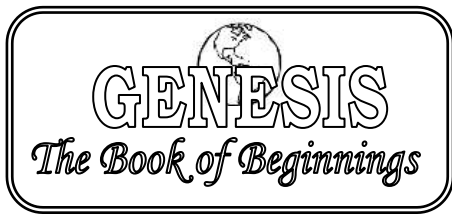
God provides for man, 2:15-17

He gives him work, v. 15

He gives him blessings of life, v. 16

He gives him law, v. 17 (he could choose but had not yet experienced sin) “You shall die”

He gives him companionship, v. 18



Lesson Four

Origin of the Home and Family, 2:18-25

God sees the need for companionship, v. 18

Marriage is not commanded of each person
Matthew 19:10-12, 1 Corinthians 7

Man is a social creature
Ecclesiastes 4:9-11, Hebrews 10:24-25



God shows Adam the importance of other people, v. 19-20

The influence of others will affect us
1 Corinthians 15:33, Psalm 1

This true foremost in the marriage relationship
1 Peter 3:1-7, 1 Kings 11:1-3, Judges 16

God creates woman, v. 21-23

Woman is special
Not created from the beast or from dirt, but from Adam

The Principle of Submission
Ephesians 5:22-33, Philippians 2:5-11
1 Timothy 2:8-15, 1 Corinthians 11:7-9

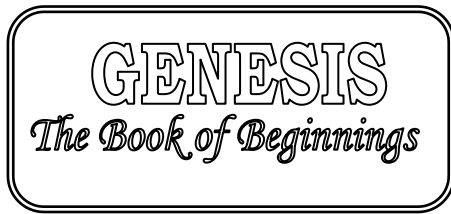
"The woman was made of a rib out of the side of Adam, not made out of his head to rule over him, nor out of his feet to be trampled upon by him, but out of his side to be equal with him, under his arm to be protected, and near his heart to be loved."
Matthew Henry

God creates the marriage relationship, v. 24

- Successful marriages have three aspects:
- 1) The man leaves his parents and in a public act, promises himself to his wife
 - 2) The man and woman are joined together by taking responsibility for each other's welfare and by loving the mate above all others
 - 3) The two become one flesh in the intimacy and commitment of sexual union that is reserved for marriage



The innocence of mankind before the fall, v. 25



Lesson Five

The Problem of Evil, *Genesis 3:1-19*

Introduction

When creation was complete it was very good, Genesis 1:31

The existence of evil is the strongest argument for atheists

The Fall (Gen. 1-13)

Origin of Satan

Satan as a serpent, Rev. 12:9, 20:2

Satan's temptation, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?'"

His goal was to get Eve to question God's Word, doubt his goodness and his wisdom

Our defense today against this today, Ephesians 6:13-17

Eve's reply, left out 'every' and 'freely' undervaluing God's goodness and generosity (Gen. 3:3)

"You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die" Revelation 22:18-19

Then Satan attacked her pride, God was selfishly keeping her from knowing good and evil

"You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil," Gen. 3:4-5

Genesis 3	Matthew 4	1 John 2:15-17
Saw it was good	Make these stones bread	Lust of the flesh
Saw it looked good	Everyone will see you	Lust of the eyes
You will be like God	You will have everything	Pride of life

Freedom is not found by being able to do anything.

True Freedom comes from obedience and knowing what not to do.

Adam listened to his wife and took the fruit, 1 Timothy 2:14

The relationship of Genesis 3:9 and Matthew 2:2

Dealing With Sin

They tried to hide from it

Many ignore sin today

They tried to cover up:

Isaiah 64:6, genesis 3:21

They tried to blame others:

Adam, blamed his wife and God
Eve, blamed Satan

The Curse (Genesis 3:14-19)

The fruit produced guilt and the fear of death

The serpent was cursed as a reminder of Satan's schemes (Genesis 3:15)

Why curse the serpent?

This begins the long battle between mankind and Satan that ends with Christ

Eve was cursed, Genesis 3:20

Pain of childbirth, subject to man

Adam was cursed

Toil and sweat, (Genesis 3:17)

Creation was cursed

Previously had been tilled and dressed (Genesis 2:5, 15)

Now thorns, thistles and death would reign, even over man

Romans 8:20-22, Heb. 1:10-12

Morpholysis, entropy

In such a perfect, exact world, the fact of degeneration seems out of place.

The only answer is Gen. 3, Rom. 5:12, Rom 8:2-22

Overview

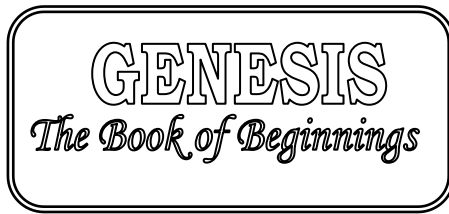
God's Creation is Three Fold	1. Physical materials of the universe, Gen. 1:1 2. Living things 3. Mankind in God's image, Gen. 1:27
God's Curse is Three Fold	1. The ground, Gen. 3:18 2. The animals (serpent), Gen. 3:14 4. Mankind, Genesis 3:17-21
Mankind's Curse is Threefold	1. Sorrows (Disappointment & Futility) 2. Struggle (Thorns, Tears & Sweat) 3. Death
Jesus' Suffering is Three Fold	1. Man of sorrows, Isaiah 53:3 2. Man of struggles, (crown of thorns, drops of blood) 3. Dust of death, Psalm 22:15
Jesus' Victory is Three Fold	1. No more sorrow (all have passed away) 2. No more pain Revelation 22:3 3. No more death

Adam & Eve Broke Their Relationship With God

1. They became convinced Their way was better
2. They became self conscious and hid
3. They tried to excuse and defend themselves

In order to restore our relationship with God

1. Drop your excuses and self defenses
2. Stop trying to hide from God
3. Recognize God's way is better than ours



Lesson Six

The Promised Redeemer, 3:15-4:15

The Great Prophecy, 3:15 (3:15-3:19)

SATAN'S POWER	CHRIST'S POWER
<i>1 Corinthians 15:45-49</i>	
Temptation <i>1 Peter 5:8</i>	Escape From Temptation <i>1 Corinthians 10:13</i>
Misery <i>Job 1:6-12</i>	Abundant Living <i>John 10:10</i>
Death <i>Romans 6:23</i>	Victory Over Death <i>1 Corinthians 15:54-57</i>
<i>Crushing Man's Heel</i>	<i>Crushing Satan's Head</i>

God's Clothing, 3:21 (3:20-3:24)

God clothed Adam and Eve

Was this the first time something died physically?

Today Christians are clothed in Christ, Galatians 3:27, John 1:7

God expelled them from the Garden

God knew the dangers of eternal life for the sinful soul

Man was now in a hard, dangerous world

Worship, 4:3-4 (4:1-5)

Cain's offering: an offering of the fruit of the ground

Abel's offering: firstborn of his flock and the fat portions

What was wrong with Cain's offering?

Perhaps it was not the best that Cain had, Malachi 1:6-14

Perhaps he disobeyed a command for blood offerings, Hebrews 11:4, Leviticus 17:11

Struggle With Sin, 4:7 (4:6-8)

God tells Cain to rule over his sin, Genesis 4:6-7, 1 Peter 5:8

Cain's anger led to murder, Genesis 4:8, James 1:14-15

Struggle With Sin's Result, 4:13 (4:9-15)

Sin causes us to live a lie, Genesis 4:9-10

Sin causes us to lose our identity, Genesis 4:11-12

Sin causes to be helpless, 4:13-15

Cain's Line, 4:16-24

Innovation's Presence

- Cain built a city, 4:17
- Lamech began polygamy, 4:19
- Jabal began nomadic living, 4:20 (tents/herds)
- Jubal began musical instruments, 4:21
- Tubal-Cain began metallurgy, 4:22

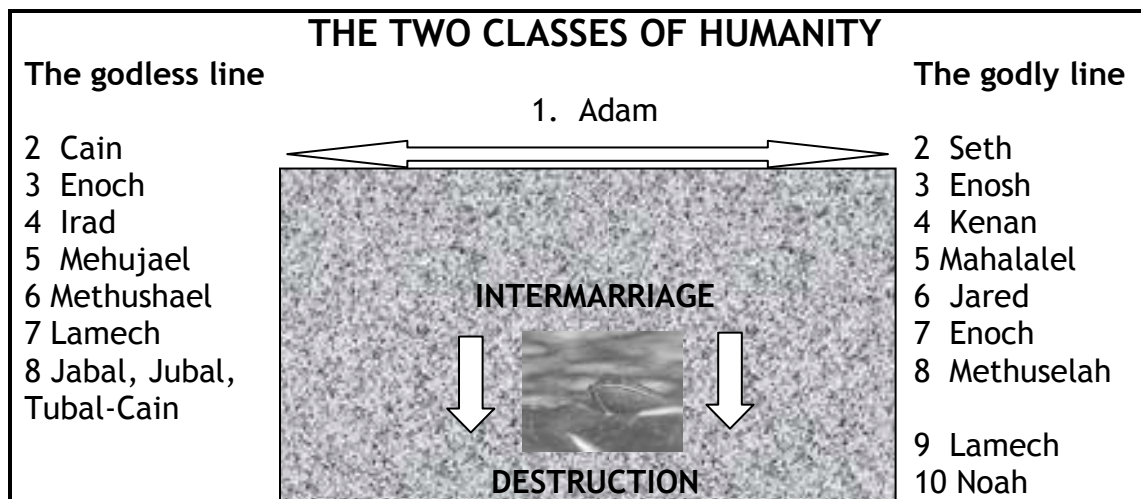
Lamech's Pride (4:23-24)

- He revels in vengeance
- He goes beyond God, 4:15

Adam's Line, 4:25-5:32

The Two Classes of Mankind

1. **The godless class (descendants of Cain) (Gen. 4)**
 - a. Had material prosperity - Jabal (4:20)
 - b. Had musical skill—Jubal
 - c. Had mechanical technology—Tubal-Cain
 - d. Had moral viciousness—Lamech (4:23-24)
2. **The godly class (descendants of Seth) (Gen. 5)**
 - a. simple (Not flashy. No details about their long lives are told).
 - b. Spiritual
 - 1) Men called on the name of the Lord, 4:26
 - 2) Enoch walked with God, 5:22
 - 3) Noah was a preacher of righteousness, 2 Peter 2:5
 - c. Saved. Enoch was taken from this life. Noah was saved in the ark.



NAME OF PATRIARCH	AGE AT	BIRTH OF	YEARS LIVED AFTER	TOTAL AGE
Adam	130	Seth	800	930
Seth	105	Enosh	807	912
Enosh	90	Kenan	815	905
Kenan	70	Mahalalel	840	910
Mahalalel	65	Jared	830	895
Jared	162	Enoch	800	962
Enoch	65	Methuselah	800*	962*
Methuselah	187	Lamech	782	969
Noah	500	Shem, Ham, Japeth		

The Age of the Earth

If you add all of the years of the genealogical list together, the age of the earth is around 6,500 years old.

Some say there are gaps in the lists though

Matthew 1:1-17 leaves out six names in the first fourteen generations listed

The list in Genesis 11 leaves out Kenan which is found in Luke 3:36

But these gaps would not cover the tens of millions of years most scientist look for

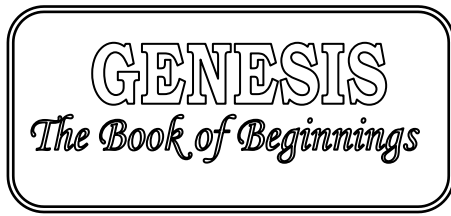
The earth is not likely to be older than 10,000 years

The Message of This Passage

And he begat.... Notice the stripped down nature of the genealogy. Point is to establish a family line back to Adam

And he died. Eight times this phrase is given. What a refutation of Satan's claim, "You will not surely die."

Names: Seth: Seedling or Appointed
 Enosh: Ask the Lord
 Enoch: Dedicated
 Methuselah: He died and it is sent



Lesson Eight

The Days of Noah, 6:1-7:15

The Sons of God and the Daughters of Men, Genesis 6:1-4

Do "sons of God" refer to angels? Matthew 22:30, Mark 12:25

Probably refers to children of Seth and children of Cain

The human race is given 120 years to return to God, 2 Peter 3:9

Who were the giants or men of renown? (They were not righteous, 7:1)
The word Nephilim means "fallen"

The Wickedness of Man on the Earth, Genesis 6:5-13

Every intent of man was wicked in those days, Genesis 8:21, Romans 1

Yet Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord, Titus 2:11

The Building of the Ark, Genesis 6:14-22

Gopher Wood is most likely Cypress and is pitched on the inside and outside.

Dimensions of the ark: 450 Ft * 75 ft * 45 Ft

This was the largest ship ever built until 1858

Ratio (6:1) is good for steadiness. Queen Elizabeth is 8.6:1 (speed) and modern tanker is 7:1 (stability)

Capacity of 95,000 square feet or equivalent of 520 modern box cars

The judgment and blessing of God, Romans 11:22

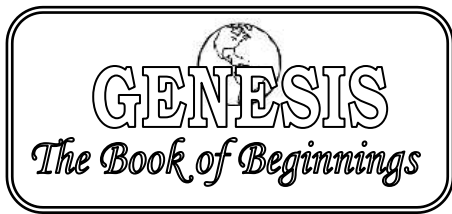
Noah Saves his Family and His World, Genesis 7:1-9

Noah was to take two of every kind of animal of the earth

He was also to take seven of every clean animal of the earth and of the birds

Noah did all that God commanded of him

The Flood, Genesis 7:10-15



Lesson Nine

The Flood, 7:16-8:14

Where Did All The Water Come From? Genesis 7:11-12, 8:2, 1:7-10

Rain 40 days and nights
Fountains of the deep and firmament (Gen. 1:7)
Water prevailed 150 days (7:24)

How Long Was Noah And His Family In The Ark? Genesis 7:11, 17, 24, 8:4, 13-14

Flood began 600th year, 2nd month and 17th day (Genesis 7:11)
Came out 601st year, 2nd month and 27th day (Genesis 8:13-14)

Was the Flood Universal or Local? Genesis 7:20

Its purpose was to kill all life, Genesis 6:7
The depth of the flood (17,000 ft. plus) seems universal
The size of the ark gives strength to idea of universal flood
If flood was local, why not just tell Noah to move to higher ground?
Testimony of Peter (is 2nd coming universal?) 2 Peter 3:3-9
Covenant of Rainbow (Genesis 9:8-17) is broken if it was local flood
A local flood makes God a liar, Gen. 8:21, 9:11

Why Did God Kill All Breathing Creatures? Genesis 7:23

The wages of sin is death, Romans 6:23
Our sins affect our world and others
A time comes when God just "gives them up" Romans 1

The Doves And The Raven Genesis 8:6-12

The raven was content with carrion and therefore stayed away
The dove was sent out three times: a return, a return with an olive leaf and then no return.

Chronology of Events During the Flood

- 7 days shut up in ark after it was loaded, (7:10)
- 40 days of rain, starting on 2nd month, 17th day, (7:11-12, 17)
- 110 more days the waters "prevailed." Total = 150 days (7:24)
- 74 days until the ark rested in Ararat on 10th month, 1st day (8:5)
- 40 day interval until the raven was sent out (8:6)
- 7 days until the dove was sent (8:8, 10)
- 7 day interval. Dove sent out again (8:10)
- 7 day interval. Dove sent but did not return (8:12)
- 29 days until ground was dry (8:13) (Next year, 1st month, 1st day)
- 57 days until departure from the ark (371 since rain began) (8:14-16)

What Lessons Does the Flood Teach Us Today?

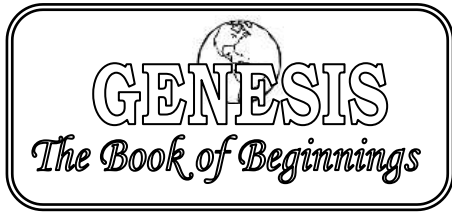
Other cultures and viewpoints may contain some truth, but is it enough?

The FLOOD —

A Type (Symbol) of Christ's Second Coming

“As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man” (Matthew 24:37).

<i>Similarities</i>	<i>The Flood</i>	<i>Second Coming</i>
1. Advance warning given	Genesis 6:17; 2 Peter 2:5	Matthew 24:42, Revelation 1:7
2. Unexpected by the world	Matthew 24:38-39	1 Thessalonians 5:2-3; Matthew 24:44
3. Expected by believers	Hebrews 11:7	1 Thessalonians 5:4
4. Sudden	Genesis 7:11-13	1 Thessalonians 5:3
5. Total and Final	Genesis 7:21-23	2 Peter 3:10
6. Destruction	By water— 2 Peter 3:5-6	By fire— 2 Peter 3:7, 12
7. A new world afterward	Genesis 8:15-17	2 Peter 3:13



Lesson Ten

The New World, 8:15-9:17

Noah, His Family And The Creatures Released From The Ark

Genesis 8:15-19

This deliverance from the flood is an example of God's mercy (Compare Noah & Adam)
Each creature is told to be fruitful and multiply

God's Blessing to Noah

Genesis 8:20-22

Noah's first act after leaving the ark was to worship (homage, dedication & atonement)
"Every inclination of his heart is evil from childhood" Ezekiel 18:20, 1 John 3:4
God sets the seasons

God's Command to Subdue the Earth

Genesis 9:1-3

Noah and his family are to rule and fill the earth
They are to rule the animals and eat them
Note difference from Adam (1:7), man still rules, but... animals are afraid
he eats meat
and violence will exist

The Significance of Blood

Genesis 9:4-6

In Bible terms, life equals blood, Leviticus 17:11
Anyone who kills another shall pay with his life

God's Covenant With Noah

Genesis 9:7-17

- God would never again curse ground: the flood waters would never return (8:21, 9:11, 9:15)
- Seasons of seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, continue as long as earth remains (9:22)
- Animals will naturally fear people, 9:2
- Meat will be eaten, 9:2-3. Perhaps men were vegetarians before, 1:29?
- Blood must not be eaten, 9:4-5, Lev. 17:10-14, Acts 15:20, 29
- Murderers will be put to death, 9:6. There are cases when God shows mercy (Cain) and God does not enjoy the death of the wicked (Ez. 33:11), but the use of capital punishment as a penalty still has God's authorization (Ex. 21:12, Acts 25:11, Rom. 13:4).
- God put rainbow in the clouds to be sign of his covenant between himself and earth, Rev. 4:3

Rainbow Sermon by Manley Luscombe

The rainbow is a “sign” of the covenant God made.

1. God put three items in the sky for special purposes

<i>What</i>	<i>When</i>	<i>Why</i>
Pillar of Cloud; Pillar of Fire	In the Wilderness	Guidance
A bright star	Announce Jesus' birth	Salvation
Rainbow	After the flood	Reminder of the Promise

2. Two things necessary for a rainbow -
 1. A disturbance (storm, rain, thunder) in heaven.
 2. Sunlight (hope) on earth.

Notice some Facts about the Rainbow:

Man did not ask for the rainbow, it was all God's idea.

1. Covenants with God are not DEMANDED!
2. God (in His kindness and grace) OFFERS, PROMISES.
3. We have the choice to accept, believe OR reject, refuse.
4. Man can not destroy a rainbow.
 1. This is a promise from God.
 2. Song - Standing on the Promises of God
 3. Mark it down. When God promises - He keeps His promises.
4. Man can not destroy the promise.
 1. **Esther 4:14** - For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for *such* a time as this?"
 2. **Luke 19:40** - But He answered and said to them, "I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out."

God looks on the rainbow and remembers.

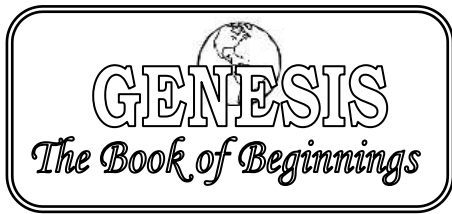
1. Man's wedding ring = Not for others - to remind the husband of vow.
2. **Genesis 9:15**- and I will remember My covenant
3. **Genesis 9:16** - I will look on it to remember the everlasting covenant

The rainbow touches heaven and earth.

1. Heaven - constant reminder of the covenant.
2. Earth - We also remember (comforted) in the promise.

Nobody has ever seen a complete rainbow.

1. **1 Corinthians 2:9** - But as it is written: "*Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.*"
2. **Revelation 4:3** - And He who sat there was like a jasper and a sardius stone in appearance; and *there was* a rainbow around the throne, in appearance like an emerald.
3. **1 Kings 10:7** - However I did not believe the words until I came and saw with my own eyes; and indeed the half was not told me. Your wisdom and prosperity exceed the fame of which I heard.



Lesson Eleven

Origins of Races & Nations, 9:18-10:32

The Earth Repopulated, Genesis 9:18-19

Noah exited the ark with Shem, Ham and Japeth (and their wives)

From these three sons, the whole earth was repopulated

Noah Becomes Drunk, Genesis 9:20-24

Noah produces a vineyard and becomes drunk

Did he discover alcohol? Probably not: Matthew 24:38

What Bible characters can you list who struggled with drunkenness?

His son's reactions to Noah's drunkenness

Ham derived pleasure from Noah's nakedness

His two other sons showed Noah honor and respect

Noah's Prophecy, Genesis 9:25-27

To Ham: may Canaan be a slave to slaves

It is not unheard of that descendants are cursed for actions of their father, Genesis 49:5-7

To Shem: may the God of Shem be blessed

Many see this as a prophecy of Christ's blessings to all nations

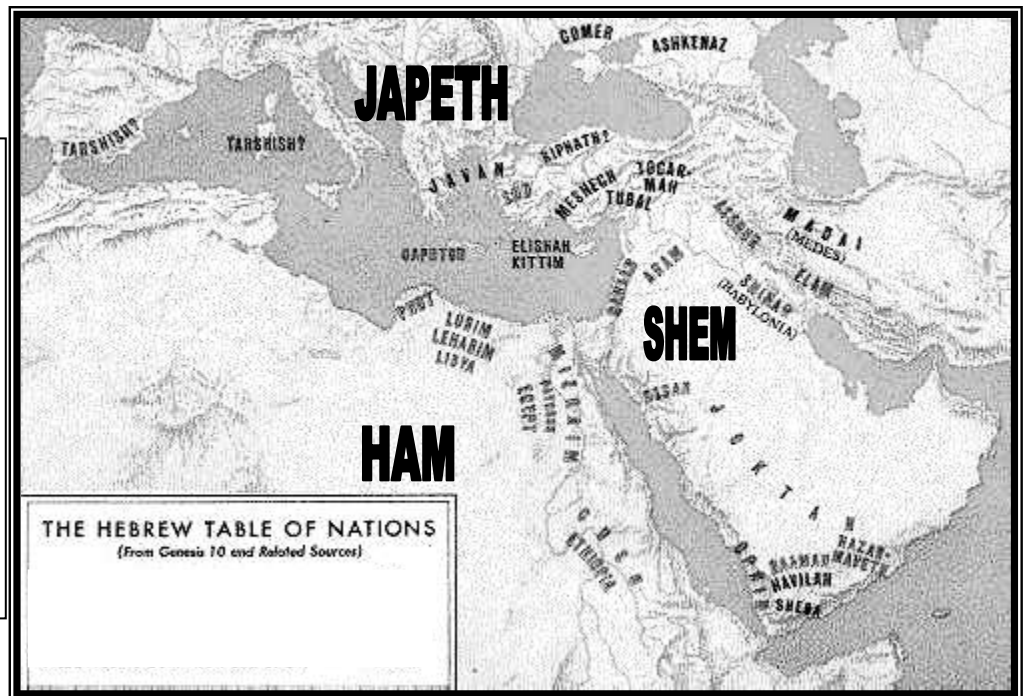
To Japeth: may he have much territory and dwell with Shem

Japeth covered much of Europe and Asia and contained many of the world's empires

Noah's Life and Influence, Genesis 9:28

Noah lived 350 years after the flood, and died at the age of 950. He outlived the fifth and eighth of his descendants, Peleg and Nahor. He was for 128 years contemporary with Terah, the father of Abraham himself (2008 BC). The information about man's most ancient history did not have to pass through many generations before Moses began his work of writing Biblical history. This adds trustworthiness to the Bible as historical record.

And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place. Acts 17:26



The Family of Japeth, Genesis 10:1-5

~ (Indo-Europeans) North and West of Palestine

- Gomer - The Cimmerians, a people that lived in the far north (Ezekiel 38:6) near Armenia and Media.
- Magog - Probably the name of northern barbarians near the Black sea. Josephus (Ant. I, vs, 1) said that Magog was a name for the Sythians (in southern Russia)
- Madai - Medes
- Javan - The Greeks
- Tubal - Probably these are the people called Tubal in Assyrian inscriptions. They lived in the mountains south of the Black Sea
- Meshech - A people called Mushki, near the Black Sea
- Tiras - Uncertain. Perhaps the Thracians who lived Northeast of Greece

The Family of Ham, Genesis 10:6-20

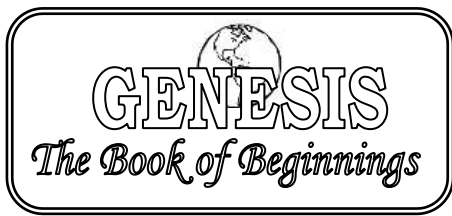
~ (Hamites) South of Palestine

- Cush - Ethiopia, south of Egypt (Nubia, or the Sudan)
- Mizraim - Egypt (One of the first areas settled after the Flood)
- Put - the Kingdom of Punt, on both sides of the Red Sea
- Canaan - Canaanites

The Family of Shem, Genesis 10:21-32

~ (Semites) East of Palestine

- Elam - The Elamites east of Mesopotamia.
- Asshur - The Assyrians around the upper Tigris River.
- Arphaxad - Uncertain. Ancestor of Hebrews. Perhaps lived east of Assyria, near Nuzi.
- Lud - Perhaps Lydia, in Western Asia Minor
- Aram - the Syrians



Lesson Twelve

The Great Dispersion, 11:1-32

The Tower of Babel, 11:1-9

Man's pride disregards God's Command

Almost all sin goes back to pride

Almost all good comes from humility

Tower to the heavens (Babel means "Gate of God")

Man tried to find his own way back to God

Only God can give us the way we should go

Word Babel means confusion

God cannot be defeated

God moved history to accomplish his will

Compare the Babel account to Pentecost

The Descendants of Shem, 11:10-25

The Life Spans of the Patriarchs Began to Diminish

The Family of Terah, 11:27-32

Introduction to Abram

He was of the seed of Eve, Noah, and Shem

His wife was barren

God helped him to grow

God's intentions toward him were for good (12:1-14:24)

God made great promises to him (15:1-21:34)

He had to obey God faithfully (22:1-19)

THE LIVES FROM ADAM TO THE FLOOD

Father	Age at Son's Birth	Total Age
Adam	130	930
Seth	105	912
Enosh	90	905
Kenan	70	910
Mahalalel	65	895
Jared	162	962
Enoch	65	365
Methusaleh	187	969
Lamech	182	777
Noah, at Flood	+600	950

1656 years total

Arpachshad	35	438
Shelah	30	433
Eber	34	464
Peleg	30	239
Reu	32	239
Serug	30	230
Nahor	29	148
Terah	130	205
Abraham entered Canaan	+75	

427 years total

According to these figures:

1656 + 427=2083 years from Adam to Abraham

Adam's life overlapped Methuselah's by 243

Methuselah's life overlapped the life of Noah by 600 years, and Shem's life by 98 years

Death of Adam to Birth of Noah = 126 years.

Noah died two years before the birth of Abraham

Shem was alive 75 years after Abraham entered Canaan

Adam lived to see his Great-great-great-great-great grandchildren.

Noah lived to see his Great * 10⁸ grandchildren.

All of Noah's descendants (save Peleg and Nahor) lived to see the birth of Abraham.

All people before the Flood lived a very long time (causing the population to increase very rapidly) while after the Flood lives grew gradually shorter.

Homer's Bible Handbook, p. 85

