

The Beginnings of Families

Narrative of Beginnings

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This narrative that follows shall highlight the Bible record which shows beginning of families, and whom the Lord God called and/ or used to bring forth unto completion, “his plan of redemption for mankind” that would eventually result in the birth, death, and resurrection of Christ Jesus to forgive the sin man, and of the world.

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After Adam sinned, the LORD God put him and Eve, his wife, out of the garden and they were required to work the land in order to sustain them self and their family. Adam and Eve had children; populations grew and societies developed according to worldly behaviors in disobedience to God.

And of course because of sin (and certainly, because of Satan and his angels behind the seen) the society did many wrong thing (things in disobedience to God); becoming more and more corrupt, in the sight of God. Therefore, even at this early time of human history the enemies of God (Satan, the flesh, sin, and the world) were revealed. Cain slew his younger brother, Able, which initiated the first offense that plunged human society further into Apocalypse throughout the centuries, even unto the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. This Apocalyptic activity is commonly pointed to as the “Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse” by those describing events in the Book of Revelation:

And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.

And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground (*or farmer*).

Genesis 4:1 and 4:2

But God requires blood sacrifice offerings because only the blood sacrifice of Jesus can pay the sin debt. But God in His mercy and grace substituted animal sacrifice for sin until the true sacrifice, Jesus the Christ, should come and pay the sin debt!

And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.

And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering (*because of the blood!*):

But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect (*because of the absence of blood*).

And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

Genesis 4:3 through 4:5

And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? If thou doest well (*offer the correct sacrifice?*), shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his (*sin's*) desire, and thou shalt rule over him (*by presenting the correct sacrifice, which must be of blood!*).

And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.
And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper? *(the correct response should be, yes; I am my brother's keeper)*
And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.
And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;
When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.

Genesis 4:6 through 4:12

God extends His mercy/ grace of forgiveness in Christ Jesus to Cain for the killing of his brother Abel; else the life of Cain would have been demanded at that time. This speaks to the mystery of forgiveness in Christ Jesus, even from the foundation of the world; but today the mystery was revealed in the works of Jesus and His earthly ministry!

And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can bear *(were it not for Jesus Christ, the whole of the human race is in this state, whether we understand or not!)*.

Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that every one that findeth me shall slay me.

And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden.

And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he (*Cain*) builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son Enoch.

Genesis 4:13 through 4:17

Even before his deeds in the garden, Satan had already become an enemy of God, when beyond the ancient pass he lifted himself up in pride, and led rebellion in heaven. Adam began man's long journey of another enemy of God according to the flesh of men, when Adam and Eve allowed Satan to persuade them to disobey the command of God that they should not eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

And now, with the forming of societies, the world (societal behavior) are become an enemy of God, along side Satan and his angels.

But there were some that desired to please God then, just as there are those desiring to please God today:

And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah:

And Enoch walked with *(believed/ had faith in)* God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:

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 (*rapture?*) him.
Genesis 5:21 through 24)

And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seven years, and begat Lamech:
And Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred eighty and two years, and begat sons and daughters:
And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.
Genesis 5:25 through 27

And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a son:
And he called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.
And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and begat sons and daughters:
And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died.
Genesis 5:28 through 31

Because of man's wickedness, the LORD repented that he had made man on earth.
And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.
And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.
And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.
Genesis 6:5 through 6:7

But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD, and the LORD chose to save Noah and his family alive.

This means that Noah, "believed, had Faith in God" (Hebrews 11:6). It is God that calls those things that be not as though they were (Romans 4:17)! Thus, because of his faith, God called Noah "righteous"!

But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just (*or righteous*) man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God (*in other words Noah trusted, had faith in, believed God, the Almighty of Creation*).

And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.

And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way (the way of God) upon the earth.

And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.

Genesis 6:8 through 6:14

And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die.

Genesis 6:17

Through Noah, God shall save a remnant of his creation, “man”. This is a prophetic pattern of what takes place with Israel, the chosen people of God, and of salvation for the world through Jesus Christ; because many of those out of world societies will not accept the salvation God provides. And in fact Noah is a “type/ figure” of Jesus.

Therefore, we see how the LORD God used Noah mightily for his purpose.

The message for the world today concerning salvation through Christ Jesus is, John 3:16, “Therefore whosoever will believe (believe, not figure it all out), let him come”!

But with thee (Noah) will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee.

And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female (no same sex affairs).

Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive.

(This scripture seem to be saying that God caused the animals to come unto Noah to be saved in the ark. In other words, Noah was not required to chase down any of the animals).

Genesis 6:18 through 6:20

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