

**LESSONS THIS QUARTER**.....

- 5) Dec 30 .....Gen 8:15 – 9:29 ..... New Opportunities
- 6) Jan 06.....Gen 10:1 – 11:32 ..... Human Pride

**INTRODUCTION / QUESTIONS / COMMENTS/**

- Genesis is more than simple stories of creation, the flood, and genealogies. Genesis touches all major doctrines & teachings
- Genesis covers 3 of the 7 covenants & 4 of the 7 dispensations
- Are we (Baptists/Evangelicals) a covenant church or a dispensational church? ..... Answer - Dispensational
  - ♦ Covenant theology is primarily non-literalist or allegorist and equates OT Israel to the NT Church
  - ♦ Dispensational theology see Israel and the Church as two distinct entities since we follow a more literal interpretation
    - E.g., all prophecies relating to Christ were literally fulfilled, not figuratively. His future coming is also literal

Covenants	Passage	Duration
1 Adamic	Gen 3:15	OT & NT
2 Noahic	Gen 6:18; 9:1-17	OT, NT, Mil
3 Abrahamic	Gen 13:1-3	OT & Millennial
4 Mosaic/Sinaitic	Ex 21-23	OT & Millennial
5 Davidic	2Sam 7:12-14	OT, Mil, Eternity
6 New Covenant	Mt 26:26-29; Mk 14:22-25; Lk 22:19-20	NT
7 New Israelite Covenant	Jer 31:31-34; Is 11; 61-65; Ps 72; 110	Millennial

Dispensations	Era	Bible Period
1. Age of Innocence	Eden	Gen 1:1-3:7
2. Age of Conscience	Pre-Flood	Gen 3:8-8:22
3. Age of Human Govt	Post Flood	Gen 9:1-11:32
4. Age of Promise	Abraham	Gen 12:1-Ex 19:25
5. Age of Law	Moses	Ex 20:1-Acts 2:4
6. Age of Grace	Church	Acts 2:4-Rev 20:3
7. Millennial Kingdom	New Age	Rev 20:4-6

Passage	Comments
8:15-19	Time to leave the boat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breed abundantly – be fruitful and multiply – and cover the earth</li> </ul>
8:20-22	Time to give thanks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Noah was a priest to his family                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Other family/clan priests were Melchizedek, Abraham &amp; Job</li> </ul> </li> <li>• What made Noah’s sacrifice a sweet fragrance?                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Obedience? Reconciliation?</li> <li>♦ Sweet aroma is mentioned &gt;45x in Bible                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Burnt meat (ram, lamb, bull, pigeons) cooked with flour, oil, wine, and frankincense</li> </ul> </li> <li>♦ Christ is the ultimate sweet smelling/soothing, acceptable, &amp; pleasing sacrifice to God... Eph 5:2</li> <li>♦ ...and we should be a “living sacrifice” holy, acceptable, pleasing to God ..... Rom 12:1</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Men’s hearts are evil from his youth.....v21b                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Equiv to hearts are desperately wicked.... Jer 17:9</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Seasons, weather, and day/night will continue till creation of the new earth ..... Rev 22:5</li> </ul>

Passage	Comments
9:1-6	Time to start anew – new dispensation with new laws <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• God “blessed” them/enabled them to be fruitful</li> <li>• Animal kingdom is now wary of humans</li> <li>• Man is no longer a vegetarian</li> <li>• Death penalty for murder</li> </ul>
9:7	5th instance in Genesis to be fruitful and multiply with implication to scatter throughout the earth
9:8-17	Noahic covenant established (see covenant table) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seven Covenants of Scripture</li> </ul>
9:18-19	All races are descendants of Noah’s sons .....Chap 10
9:20-21	Noah’s stumble with wine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Other notable problems with drunkenness in Gen. – Lot’s impregnation of his 2 daughters                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Moabites and Ammonites are Israel’s enemies</li> </ul> </li> <li>♦ Wine, like wealth, if treated properly yields good results – else much evil can come from it</li> <li>♦ What are some good results of drinking wine?                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Cheerfulness .....Ec 9:7; 10:19</li> <li>▪ Medicinal .....Prov 31:6; 1Tim 5:23</li> <li>▪ Health issues ..... Pr 17:22</li> </ul> </li> <li>♦ Modern day evangelicals must consider cultural, leadership, testimony and stumbling block issues for the vices/hobbies we often acquire (drinking, smoking, eating, gambling, hobbies)</li> </ul>
9:22-25	Ham’s behavior leads to a curse on his descendants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• But why would Noah curse one of his 4 grandsons?                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The incident was significant enough to be recorded – so the answer is in the Scriptures</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Canaanites are routed from the land by Israel with God’s command to wipe out totally due to their immorality (men, women, children and animals)                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Also, Canaanites are forever banned from entering God’s temple ..... Zech 14:21</li> <li>♦ Yet, Rahab was a Canaanite - so God’s mercy is extended even to the vilest sinners</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Some equate this curse to African slavery, but slavery was common to many people groups, and Cush was the forefather of most Africans</li> <li>• Can we give out generational curses today?                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ In some regards, yes. Certain sins easily flow down the family tree.</li> <li>♦ But to curse with definitive results – NO, since we are in a different dispensation with no need for prophets or prophetic capabilities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
9:26-27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shem is given a spiritual blessing as the one with the Lord God (Israelites are descendants of Shem)</li> <li>• Japheth (Europeans and Asians) is given a blessing of growth in land, yet he still receive a spiritual blessing by abiding in Shem’s Tents</li> </ul>
9:28-29	Noah, a man of righteousness, passes on (950 years)

**NEXT WEEK..... Gen 10-11**

- Genealogy of Noah’s sons gives the Table of Nations
- The earth is divided in Peleg’s day
  - ♦ Land or Population division?
- Tower of Babel and the scattering of the people
  - ♦ Slow dispersion or immediate dispersion?
- Genealogy of Shem down to Abram