

**LESSONS THIS QUARTER**

- 1) 03 Dec 2023 ..... Genesis 01 ..... The First Week
- 2) 10 Dec ..... Genesis 02 ..... The First Couple
- 3) 17 Dec ..... Genesis 03 ..... The First Sin
- 4) 24 Dec ..... Luke 02:1-15 ..... The First Christmas
- 5) 31 Dec ..... Genesis 04-05 ..... The First Murder
- 6) 07 Jan 2024 ..... Genesis 06-07 ..... Judgment
- 7) 14 Jan ..... Genesis 08 ..... Land!
- 8) 21 Jan ..... Genesis 09-10 ..... Protect**
- 9) 28 Jan ..... Genesis 11 ..... Stalled
- 10) 04 Feb ..... Genesis 12-14 ..... Promised
- 11) 11 Feb ..... Genesis 15-16 ..... Impatience
- 12) 18 Feb ..... Genesis 17 ..... Established
- 13) 25 Feb ..... Genesis 18-20 ..... Purged

**INTRODUCTION**

• Chronologically, chapter 11 comes before Chapter 10. This reversal seems to be for a specific purpose – Chapter 10 confirms humanity did spread out and repopulate the earth, and Chap 11 provides more details on humanity's sin problem

Passage	Comments
Genesis 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 ..... <b>Chap 10</b>
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</li> <li>• Moabites and Ammonites are Israel's enemies</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 ..... <b>Ec 9:7; 10:19</b></li> <li>• Medicinal ..... <b>Prov 31:6; 1Tim 5:23</b></li> <li>• Health issues ..... <b>Pr 17:22</b></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 to laugh at his dad's shame leads to a curse on his descendants. Kids inherit the parents' sins. <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 ..... <b>Zech 14:21</b></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>

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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)
Chap 10 Table of Nations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sons of Japheth                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gomer ..... Western Europe</li> <li>2. Magog ..... Romania and Ukraine (Russia)</li> <li>3. Madai ..... Medes, Persians (Iran, India)</li> <li>4. Javan ..... Greece</li> <li>5. Tubal ..... Georgia (Russia)</li> <li>6. Meshech ..... Moscow (Russia)</li> <li>7. Tiras ..... Macedonia, Yugoslavia (Russia)</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Sons of Ham                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cush ..... Ethiopia</li> <li>2. Mizraim ..... Egypt</li> <li>3. Phut ..... Lybia</li> <li>4. Canaan ..... Palestine, Philistines</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Sons of Shem                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Elam ..... Persia (Iran)</li> <li>2. Asshur ..... Assyria</li> <li>3. Arphaxad ..... Chaldeans (Arabia)</li> <li>4. Lud ..... Turkey</li> <li>5. Aram ..... Syria</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
10:8-9	Nimrod – a mighty warrior/hunter before God <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nimrod means “rebellion” or “valiant”</li> <li>• Nimrod was probably the Napoleon of his day</li> </ul>
	Pyramid/Ziggurat structures of ancient dynasties (Mayans, Aztecs, Mississippian, Mesopotamia, Egyptian, and Chinese) were built within 100s of years of each other indicating a common design source and a source of knowledgeable workers
10:25	Peleg – The earth was divided in his day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some interpret this to be physical separation of the continents, but this catastrophe would be on the scale of a global flood</li> <li>• Continental divide was more than likely a precursor to or as a result of Noah's flood</li> <li>• Context of chaps 10 &amp; 11 leans toward a division of the people groups due to language problems</li> </ul>
	Manetho, an Egyptian priest, recorded in the third century BC the Tower of Babel occurred five years after the birth of Peleg. ( <a href="http://www.answersingenesis.org/creation/v22/i1/peleg.asp">http://www.answersingenesis.org/creation/v22/i1/peleg.asp</a> ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For more information on the descendants of Noah, see: <a href="http://www.answersingenesis.org/creation/v20/i4/noah.asp">http://www.answersingenesis.org/creation/v20/i4/noah.asp</a></li> </ul>

**CONCLUSION/APPLICATIONS**

• If we can't trust the 1<sup>st</sup> book of the Bible how can we trust any book?

**NEXT WEEK: Genesis 11.** Again, if God wanted to be vague about the age of the universe, here is a good place to do it. Instead, God was very meticulous to give us exact ages and years so we can tabulate the age the earth from the point of the earth's creation.

