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God's Human Races ???

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Text: "And the sons of Noah that went forth of the ark, were SHEM, and HAM, and JAPHETH and HAM is the father of CANAAN. These are the three sons of NOAH: and of them was the WHOLE EARTH OVERSPREAD." - Genesis 9:18-19.

This sermon is of extraordinary importance in the analysis of the historical past, the divine ordinances, the dangers of amalgamation, and is a great help in our present time need of understanding the Divine Will of God in dealing with the Human Races. The Ninth Chapter of Genesis is the pivotal point in history dealing with race, the covenant, the commissions, and the curse of Canaan whose blood line was extricated by God our Heavenly Father, safeguarding the unadulterated blood line of Jesus, that he would be the perfect example of the Son of God in a sin-cursed world.

"And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth." - Genesis 1:26. The first question that arises in this is to whom was God speaking when He said, "Let us make man . . ."? There is only one answer that fits both words, "God said" and the plural pronoun, "US." The pronoun US therefore suggests in itself a plurality of persons. The verse is one of the most outstanding foreshadowings in the Old Testament of the doctrine of the Trinity in Unity. One Person of the Godhead is addressing another.

In the image and likeness of God was man created (Genesis 1:27). Man's failure to listen to the creative voice brought a "CURSE" upon the earth (Genesis 3:17). That is the reason God rejected Cain's sacrificial offering from a cursed earth. "And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering, unto the Lord." - Genesis 4:3. "But unto Cain and to his offering, he had not respect: and Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell." - Genesis 4:5. Through Cain's rage of jealousy and murder, a curse and a mark of despiritualization was placed upon the guilty in Divine Judgment, reducing that individual to the rank of a human animal (Genesis 4:9-15).

God gave Adam another son to take the place of Abel whom Cain slew. ". . . begat a son in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth." - Genesis 5:3. The growth of the human family, and the widespread wanton evil resulting

from intermarriage of the Seth line with the Cain line produced spiritual half-breeds. "And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, That the sons of God (Seth's line) saw the daughters of men (Cain's line), that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose." (Genesis 6:1-2). Their destiny was to perish in the Great Flood (Genesis 6:17).

Noah was a man of obedience. When commanded to build the ark he followed instructions (Genesis 11-22). Ample room was provided to shelter Noah, his wife, his three sons and their wives, a representation of every basic kind of animal and bird life, and provender for all. For approximately one year Noah was confined to the ark while the world was subjected to divine judgment. God's purpose to destroy the sinful human race was accomplished.

Civilization after the Flood began with God blessing Noah and his sons. "And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth." - Genesis 9:1. Soon after Noah planted a vineyard. "And Noah began to be a husbandman, and he planted a vineyard: And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent." - Genesis 9:20, 21. It is conceivable that Noah did not know the properties of wine, either because previous to the deluge he had never cultivated the vine, or possibly because climatic conditions were so different after the flood from what they were before it, that fermentation was increased. Whether Noah's sin was committed in ignorance, or thoughtlessly, or deliberately, we notice that the consequences were the same. The evil that follows sin is the results of sin as such.

Noah's youngest son Ham, meaning "low-estate" in the Hebrew language, was found guilty of sodomy resulting in a CURSE, and the state of perpetual servitude upon his fourth son Canaan. "And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his youngest son had done unto him. And he said, Cursed be Canaan: a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren. And he said, Blessed be the Lord God of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant. God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant." - Genesis 9:27. Sin always reduces a sinner to slavery. "He that committeth sin is the servant of sin." - John 8:34. The sinner is always the slave of himself, of his own lusts and passions, and of the suggestions and temptations

of the wicked around him. The primary reference of this passage is to the then future history of the nations of the world. It may be seen fulfilled literally in the servitude to which the surviving Canaanites were reduced by Israel (Joshua 9:23; I Kings 9:20, 21). On a wider scale it has been true throughout the history of the world that the races and people descended from Ham or Canaan have been those who have often been exploited and regarded as inferior by others.

In Chapter ten of Genesis we find the account of the generations of Noah, and the dividing of the human races into three distinct races. With the beginning of this chapter begins the fourth section of Genesis, the generations, or story of the sons of Noah. The chapter consists of the ethnic table which is divided into three sub-divisions the sons of Japheth (2-5. Japheth means "extention" and his covenant was extended to the NEW DISPENSATIONS, to become "the Sons of God" in the Missionary role of the Grace Dispensation. Japheth is the beginning of the Gentile Race. "God shall enlarge Japheth." The Gentile generation is by far the largest in number of the three human races. The descendants of Japheth are, generally speaking, the nations of Europe. The enlargements of these nations has been one of the most conspicuous features in the history of the world. It may be seen in the domination of most of Europe by the people who spread from a region between the Black Sea and Denmark in the third and second millennia B.C., imposing their language almost wherever they went. It may be seen in the Greek colonization, in the construction of the Roman Empire, and in the virtual domination by the world, in modern times, by the peoples of Europe and their descendants in America. "By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations." - Genesis 10:5.

Ham produced the people of the orient. Ham was never blessed. His progeny created concepts of black magic, sorcery, and the aggregate of abominable forms of worship, as listed in the Scriptures. This form of worship is practiced today in our larger cities, moreso on the West Coast of California. Canaan, the cursed line produced people dealing with voodooism, witch doctors and the black magic of the resourceful makeshift in the conjuring art, practiced in the tribes of Africa, and affected by any integrated society amalgamated with the cursed line of Canaan.

Three sons of Ham went down into Africa (Genesis 10:6-14). Consequently, they spread northward to the land of Shinar and Assyria building such cities as Nineveh, Calah, Babel, Akkad and others. Canaan, the fourth son of Ham, settled along the Mediterranean, extending from Sidon down to Gaza and eastward. Cush (The word cush means black), the eldest son of Ham, is the beginning of the Negro race of people, particularly the Ethiopians. These are generally considered to be the peoples of North Africa, west of Egypt, but since have inhabited the entire continent of Africa, plus, the Canaanites migrations were exceedingly farflung. Notice that of all the people mentioned in this chapter, the Canaanites are the only ones of whom it is said that they were SPREAD ABROAD. Satan saw to it that the

people who were CURSED permeated the world. The first cargo of Negroes was landed in Virginia in 1619, but slavery of the Negro Race was first started in Western Europe in the fifteenth century, and since has spread out into almost all of the large countries.

Shem means "upright." His position in the race plan was to translate the holy emanation into a written record for posterity (Genesis 9:26). The Lord was to be in a special sense the God of Shem, because from Shem's descendants was to come; first, Abraham, the father of the faithful, and the special family, holy to the Lord, of which Abraham was the ancestor, but above all because in the fullness of time the SON of GOD was to become incarnate in that family and effect by His death and resurrection the salvation of the world. It was planned and purposed by God from all eternity, and He no doubt laid His hand upon the personal Shem and gave him such grace and such character that a righteous influence might be brought to bear on his descendants and a pure tradition flow down to them. Thus, the descendants of Shem through his son Eber is the ancestor of the Hebrews who are more often called the "Jews".

"These are the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood." - Genesis 10:32. The nations who were descended from Noah were DIVIDED. Deep divisions still separate them today: jealousies, suspicions and fears. The division existing between the nations of the world is based upon their universal separation from God, and this can be remedied only by the GOSPEL. There will be no remedy in this present, evil world. The division is healed now only in the lives of Christians, and will be perfectly healed in the WORLD TO COME.

The pointed lesson in Scripture is the total separation of good from evil, and evil is contained in the CURSE. The curse of the earth produced thorns and thistles, with man subject to a life of toil. The CURSE of the flesh produced a strain of humanity who became a thorn in the side of all human concourse in the developing civilization. A clear cut lesson is engraved in God's overshadowing hand dealing with the race question (Genesis, chapter 38).

Judah, having received the sceptership line for the Christ inadvertently married a Canaanite woman. After producing three half-breed sons, he took a wife for the eldest from pure Hebrew stock. In this study is seen God's way of keeping the blood line from the curse of Canaan in the progenitorship of the Christ line. The solution is told in the fact that Tamar, Judah's daughter-in-law had no fruit of the womb in her relationship with the half-breeds. Read Genesis 49:10 to understand the sceptership commission, then study all of Genesis 38.

The celebrated story of David and Bathsheba involves identical imagery in the figurative language. David and Bathsheba were destined to figure in the covenant line for the Christ. In the analysis: Bathsheba's womb was sealed in the role

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Bible history are generations apart, but with a simple theme, "Separate".

In the symbol psychology is seen God placing His stamp of approval on a remnant of humanity, those of the elected, to become Sons of God. The three crosses of the crucifixion symbolize the sinner saved and the sinner lost with Christ as median, the partition of the human family. The sinner lost is the representative of Satan, Adam and Law. The sinner saved is the concrete image of the Church, made possible by Christ, and the Grace of God.

Symbolized in graphic surrealism are three arks of the Bible. Noah's Ark with a cargo of human and animal depicting man born of the human womb as a human animal. Under the symbol of salvation man becomes a little child as pictured by the epitome of life in the babe, Moses, in a smaller Ark, when set afloat upon the waters of the Nile River. Finally the wandering pilgrim comes to the Ark of the Covenant where salvation is pictured in essence of immortality.

Out of the chaos was the world created, and from a storm-tossed life are men reclaimed for eternal purpose. God's hand is not seen, nor His divine voice heard except by those who as free moral agents separate themselves for His divine purpose.

God separated the spiritual half-breed in the antediluvian period from a remnant of humanity, saving only those who were chosen by God, with all others perishing in the Great Flood. Again, God set forth plans for a separate people. And again the apostasy prevailed in the amalgamation of the race, followed by the timed appearance of Jesus, the Son of God.

Genesis is the "roadbed" for the highway of life; the warning is there. There is no static state. Trading the CROSS of Christ for the JEWISH WAILING-WALL becomes an occupational hazard for those who believe integration is the fabric of Scriptural teaching. It is not the function of God to keep His people from falling into error. It is the responsibility of the free moral agent to study to find the TRUTH of God's plan for the human races. "The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether." - Psalms 19:7-9.

"As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the Lord is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him." - Psalm 18:30.

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" - Isaiah 55:8-9.

"Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation, he that feareth him and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him." - Acts 10:34, 35.

Here you have the Bible account of the human races as God has ordained.

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of Uriah's wife, due to the fact that Uriah was of Canaanitish blood, the cursed line. The question of David's adultery with Bathsheba is better understood when we learn that David and Bathsheba played a destined position in God's schematic. David's son, born in adultery, exemplifies all who are not born within the kingdom of God's ordinances are destined for oblivion.

Following holy matrimony Solomon and Nathan were born. Solomon is listed in Jesus' genealogies as the forefather of the carpenter Joseph, the foster father of Jesus, as found in the Book of Matthew. Nathan is listed in the Book of Luke as the progenitor for Mary, the mother of Jesus. Thus, the ways of God are beyond the measure of man.

Bathsheba's failure is typical perversion of a divine purpose, but it is an example in life's daily duty and obedience to God's demands for the race idea. Keep thyself unspotted from the very appearance of evil, including miscegenation.

A concrete example is set forth in the eighth chapter of Acts, wherein Philip the Christian deals with the Ethiopian eunuch reading the scroll of Isaiah. Said Philip to the Ethiopian, "Understandest thou what thou readest?" And he said, "How can I, except some man should guide me." Here we see Philip rode with and read to the Ethiopian explaining the scroll until a body of water was reached, and Philip baptized the Ethiopian. Let us note carefully verse 39. ". . . And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more . . ." Philip responded to the voice of God, doing only what the Spirit commissioned him to do. The outline describes the fact in God's continued plan for the separation of the race idea. The above three incidents in