

*Welcome to a
study of*

THE BOOK OF GENESIS

Class #2, - ADAM TO NOAH

Wed Jan 21st 2009

7:00 - 8:00 pm

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1. The Sabbath day Gen 2:1-3
 - a. God “rested” on the seventh day
 - b. The word Sabbath comes from the Hebrew word “shabbat” which means “to cease”
 - c. The 10 Commandments includes the observance of this day.
 - d. The number 7 is an important number in the Bible and signifies “Completion”
 - a. 7 days of creation
 - b. For example 7- year Sabbath of the land,
 - c. 7 x 7 years of Jubilee
 - d. Wash 7 times in the Jordan (Naaman)
 - e. Churches of Asia represent the Churches of the World

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2. Additional details of Creation Gen 2: 4-20

- a. Vs 5 God did not need rain to water the plants as the streams did that.
 - Adam and Eve and many of their children and grand children never knew rain.
 - The next mention of rain in the Bible is Gen 7:4 “I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days”
- b. Adam was the only living creation that God breathed into him the breath of life (Gen 2:6)
- c. Two tree were in the middle of the Garden. One was not for the eating. (Life & Knowledge) (Gen 2:9, Rev 2:7)
- d. Adam’s job was farmer, caretaker, & zoologist for the garden and to name everything (Gen 2:19)

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3. Creation of EVE

- a. Gen 2:18. It is not good to be alone.
- b. Everything that God had made was very good.
- c. The greatest desire of LOVE is relationship.
- d. Relationship requires more than one person.
- e. Love is always outward looking. (Patient, kind, etc)
- f. Why did God create man ???
 - ◆ To have a loving relationship with man which is of man's own free will.
- g. God knew that Man needs woman; and woman needs man. Partners in reproduction.
- h. God established the Family unit which is to be separate from the Father / Mother relationship.

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4. The fall of Man

- a. Knowledge of God's commands need to be backed up by moral strength.
- b. The knowledge must be firmly rooted to withstand 1/2 truths, innuendos and insinuations by the enemy.
- c. The fall was actually due to Pride, Rebellion, and Disobedience, which led to sin.
- d. Two types of Sin
 - ◆ Commission (doing the act) Eve, and
 - ◆ Omission (not taking action when you ought to) Adam

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Genesis Chapter 3: 1-14

Genesis 3 The Fall of Man

1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

2 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, 3 but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.' "

4 "You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman.

5 "For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"

10 He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

11 And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

12 The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

13 Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?"

The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

14 So the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, "Cursed are you above all the livestock and all the wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life.



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Genesis Chapter 3: 15-24

- 15 And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush ^[1] your head, and you will strike his heel."
- 16 To the woman he said, "I will greatly increase your pains in childbearing; with pain you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you."
- 17 To Adam he said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate from the tree about which I commanded you, 'You must not eat of it,' "Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat of it all the days of your life.
- 18 It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field.
- 19 By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return."
- 20 Adam ^[2] named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.
- 21 The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them.
- 22 And the LORD God said, "The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever."
- 23 So the LORD God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken.
- 24 After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.

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5. Cain & Abel

- ◆ What was different about the two offerings. ?
 - Abel did “what was right”; but Cain did not (Gen 4:6)
- ◆ Was Cain repentant ?
 - No, Cain allowed the emotion of jealousy to develop into murder.
- ◆ How must we handle bad emotions ?
 - 1st ...confess them to the Lord.
 - Get advise from a godly person (Spouse, Pastor, etc)
 - Love (agape), forgiveness (trespasses), self-control
- ◆ Often asked question :- Who was Cain’s wife. ??
 - Yes, He did marry his sister. Genetic aberration had not yet afflicted man’s DNA.
- ◆ The birth of Seth was the start of a new era; “men began to call upon the name of the Lord”

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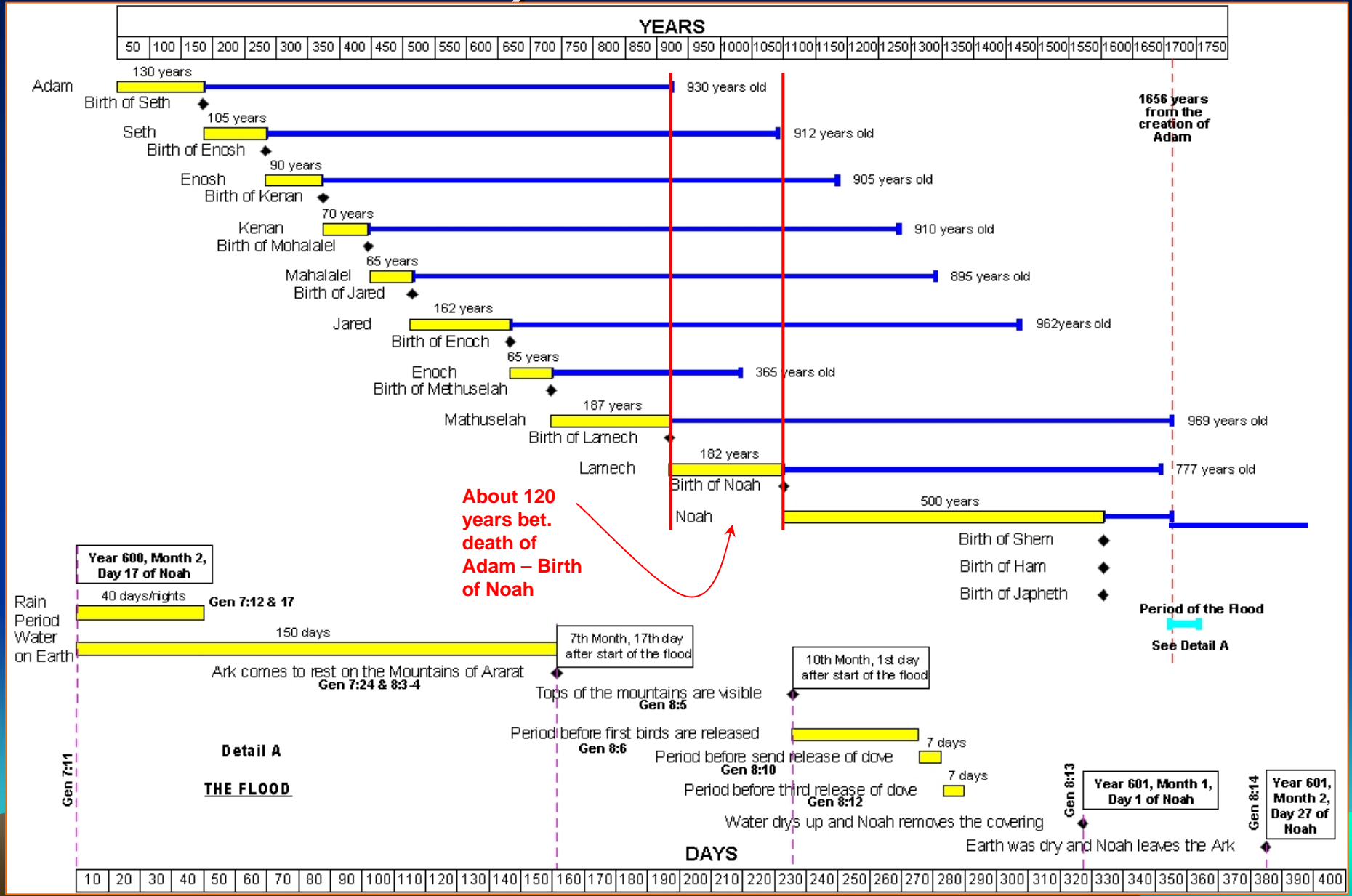
1. From Adam to Noah – Genealogy

Life Spans of Biblical Patriarchs before the Flood

Biblical Patriarch	Life Span	Age at Birth of First Son
Adam	930	130
Seth	912	105
Enosh	905	90
Cainan	910	70
Mahalealel	895	65
Jared	962	162
Enoch	365	65
Methuselah	969	187
Lamech	777	182
Noah	950	500

The average life span before the flood was 912 years.

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Recap Lessons from Genesis Ch 2 - 5

- Question and answer period.
- Close in prayer.