

Series: Chaos to Order

Title: The Descendants of Adam

Genesis 5

Introduction

The genealogy in Genesis Chapter 5 traces the lineage of Adam through Seth, listing a total of ten generations. Each patriarch's entry ends with the phrase, "and he died," a stark reminder of the consequences of sin introduced in Genesis 3.

1. Lamech prophesies that Noah will bring _____ from the toil and hardship of the curse placed on the ground in Genesis 3.
2. Scholars say there is good reason to believe this is Adam's _____ account, preserved and passed down to Moses.
3. _____ was given the name "man" by God from the beginning.
4. There are good _____ to believe God created the earth with apparent age built into it.
5. Before the _____, people lived extremely long lifespans.
6. People lived much longer before the flood because the _____ effects of the fall on the human gene pool had not yet significantly impacted mankind.
7. The pre-flood world was so different, with the blanket of water _____ surrounding the earth.
8. Genealogies can be very _____.

I. Seth - The First Godly Line Following the Fall

9. Since we are all sons and daughters of Adam, we, too, are born with that same _____ nature.
10. Adam had many sons and daughters who are not specifically _____ in the Biblical record.

II. Enoch - Walked With God

11. Enoch walked with God in an _____, deep, spiritual relationship.
12. You cannot consciously walk and _____ with someone you do not know.
13. Walking with God means walking by _____.
14. Walking with God means walking in the _____.
15. Walking with God means walking in _____ with God.
16. You cannot walk with God or _____ God apart from faith.
17. Walking together with God implies peace, friendship, intimacy, and love, and these cannot exist between God and our soul unless we are _____ to the Lord
18. Enoch had a special awareness from God that _____ was coming, and this was one of the things that caused him to draw closer to God in his walk.

III. Methuselah - God's Grace Extended

19. God kept Methuselah alive longer than anyone else to give people as long as possible to _____.
20. When Methuselah died, the _____ came.
21. Faith enables us to do the same because it makes the unseen _____ and God real.
22. When you realize God's judgment is coming, it's time to start doing things God's _____.
23. Begin to see God as your greatest _____.

IV. Conclusion

24. Every person _____ the effects of sin and death and would return to the earth.
25. Genesis 5 highlights the consequences of sin and the hope of _____.
26. The exceptional life of Enoch gives us a glimpse of the _____ for faithfulness and the hope of everlasting life through rapture.
27. And with the introduction of Noah, Chapter 5 sets the _____ for the next phase of God's redemptive plan.
28. It's true; you can effectively _____ out God's love and pursuit of your life.
29. The hope of every believer is that even though we face _____ death, through faith in Jesus, we will live again.

That's the real question, isn't it: "Do you believe this?" What you believe about these first 11 chapters of Genesis will determine how you will spend eternity when your days are ended in this life!

Answers

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| 1. relief | 11. authentic | 21. visible |
| 2. direct | 12. commune | 22. way |
| 3. Mankind | 13. faith | 23. Companion |
| 4. reasons | 14. light | 24. suffered |
| 5. Flood | 15. agreement | 25. redemption |
| 6. adverse | 16. please | 26. rewards |
| 7. vapors | 17. acceptable | 27. stage |
| 8. instructive | 18. judgment | 28. block |
| 9. fallen | 19. repent | 29. physical |
| 10. named | 20. flood | |

QUESTIONS FOR MEDITATION

1. How do you think your life would be different if you lived as long as people did in the days of Seth? Would you consider it a blessing to be able to see all the generations or a curse because how long it would be before you could live with Jesus in heaven?
2. Enoch's sense of impending judgment caused him to walk closer with God. Does a knowledge that scripture says God will soon judge you cause you to walk closer to him? Why or why not?
3. Methuselah lived 969 years. He must have had lots of experiences in his life. Who do you know that has had a lot of experiences in their life? What can you do to learn from those experiences?