GENESIS 5

Adam's Genealogy

1 This is the record of Adam's genealogy. On the day when Elohim created humans, He made them in the
likeness of Elohim. **2** He created them as male and female and blessed them. He called them "humans" on
the day He created them.

3 After Adam[i] lived 130 years, he fathered a son in his own likeness and image.[ii] He called his name
Seth.[iii] **4** Adam lived 800 years after he had fathered Seth. He also fathered other sons and daughters. **5** All
the days that Adam lived were 930 years. Then he died.

6 After Seth lived 105 years, he fathered Enos.[iv] **7** Seth lived 807 years after he fathered Enos. He also
fathered other sons and daughters. **8** All the days of Seth were 912 years. Then he died.

9 After Enos lived 90 years, he fathered Cainan.[v] **10** Enos lived 815 years after he fathered Cainan. He also
fathered other sons and daughters. **11** All the days of Enos were 905 years. Then he died.

12 After Cainan lived 70 years, he fathered Mahalaleel.[vi] **13** Cainan lived 840 years after he fathered
Mahalaleel. He also fathered other sons and daughters. **14** All the days of Cainan were 910 years. Then he
died.

15 After Mahalaleel lived 65 years, he fathered Jared.[vii] **16** Mahalaleel lived 830 years after he fathered
Jared. He also fathered other sons and daughters. **17** All the days of Mahalaleel were 895 years. Then he
died.

18 After Jared lived 162 years, he fathered Enoch.[viii] **19** Jared lived 800 years after he fathered Enoch. He
also fathered other sons and daughters. **20** All the days of Jared were 962 years. Then he died.

21 After Enoch lived 65 years, he fathered Methuselah.[ix] **22** Enoch walked with Yeshua-Elohim[x] for 300
years after he fathered Methuselah. He also fathered other sons and daughters. **23** All the days of Enoch
were 365 years. **24** Enoch walked with Yeshua-Elohim,[xi] and he was not, for Elohim took him.[xii]

25 After Methuselah lived 187 years, he fathered Lamech.[xiii] **26** Methuselah lived 782 years after he
fathered Lamech. He also fathered other sons and daughters. **27** All the days of Methuselah were 969
years.[xiv] Then he died.

28 After Lamech lived 182 years, he fathered a son. **29** He called his name Noah.[xv] He said, "This one will
bring us comfort concerning our work and the toil of our hands because of the ground which Yahveh has
cursed." **30** Lamech lived 595 years after he fathered Noah. And he fathered other sons and daughters.
31 All the days of Lamech were 777 years. Then he died.

32 After Noah was 500 years old, he fathered Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

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i Adam means "human."

ii Adam and Eve were children of God. Seth was the son of Adam. We are only children of God when we are born again. See John 1:12.

iii Seth means appointed.

iv Enos means man, mortal, or frail.

v Cainan means "sorrow."

[vi] Mahalaleel means “Praise God.”

[vii] Jaren means “descent” or “he will descend.”

[viii] Enoch means “dedicate.” Jude 14-15 records Enoch’s prophecy.

[ix] Translators do NOT usually translate names. They transliterate them. Methuselah is from the noun מַת (*maht*), man, מוּת (*moot*), death, and the verb שָׁלַח (*shaw-lahch*), to send, let go or send forth. Usually, שָׁלַח (*shaw-lahch*) is associated with judgment. His name means “his death shall bring judgment.”

Enoch was a prophet. Enoch has the oldest prophecy recorded in the Bible (Jude 14-15). In the name of Methuselah, Enoch prophesied that the Flood would not come until Methuselah died. Methuselah lived the longest of any human being. His long life matched the mercy of our loving God who waited and waited for sinners to repent.

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[xii] Heb 11:5 says that God translated (raptured) him up to heaven because his life pleased God. Enoch (Gen 5); Daniel (Dan 3); Psalm 27:5; Isaiah 26:19-20, 66:7; and Zeph 2:3 are OT pictures of the Rapture before the Tribulation.

[xiii] Lamech means “powerful.”

[xiv] This is the longest recorded age. It is real years as we count the years today. The pre-flood water canopy helped shield them from cosmic radiation. Plus, after the Flood, God changed the physics of the world. He introduced the rainbow, shortened lifespans to 120 years, made it possible for humans to eat meat, and many other such things.

[xv] Noah means “comfort” or “rest.” If you put all these names in sequential order, we have a version of the gospel: Humanity possesses mortal sorrow, but the blessed God shall come down teaching that His death will bring powerful comfort and rest.

One point is that if these names were in any other order, it would make no sense.

Another point is that God’s plan of redemption was not a surprise. The gospel was not a reaction to something that caught God off-guard. God knew from before Creation that nothing less than the death of His Beloved Son would be enough to get us out of the predicament of death brought on by sin.

Another point is that this gives us an insight into God’s love. Creation shows God’s infinite power and creative wisdom. But we only know God’s infinite love through a sacrificial death. There is no greater love than this! Jesus willingly went to the cross for us all!