

Trinity Bible Church

The Carpenter's House

June 29, 2008

FIRST SERVICE MESSAGE:

Genesis 2:3-9

Making The Man

Please join us for refreshments between services

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday	29 June	Mario returns from Nicaragua.
Wednesday	2 July	Wednesday night class
Thursday	3 July	Ladies Prayer Meeting.
Friday	4 July	Picnic at the Carle's. Baptism.
Saturday	5 July	Men's breakfast at Old Orchard

** Thanks for your provision for camp fees! It was a great camp!!

** Wednesday night class will involve learning different ways to present the gospel and the verses that make the points.

** Note the picnic and the baptism at the Carle's on the 4th of July. Please contact Drue if you would like to be baptized.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

Hymns

The Keys to Life:

Hermeneutics

GENE AND DAWN WHITEHURST
East West Ministries
June 2008

BURMA TRIP UPDATE: We again want to thank all of you for your very generous support for the ministry in MM and especially for the disaster relief funds that you have sent. The reports coming from there continue to be very disturbing but we are confident that our Father has a great plan for the believers there to minister during this difficult time. Our desire is that we will be able to encourage them through God's Word, pray with them, provide needed funds for them and show our love. They have all been working hard to help the victims of this disaster and many of them were victims themselves and are trying to rebuild their own homes, churches and Bible schools.

As we mentioned before, one of the things we will do on this trip is lead the workshops called, "Healing The Wounds of Trauma". In March, we had decided to use this material with our three BEE classes for this summer trip. And the Lord knew how very much they would need this! But, due to the severe security restrictions of this trip (because of the government's attitude about foreigners coming to help) we have revised our plan somewhat. Our plan is to now teach this course to three smaller groups made up of our BEE students and have them stay with us at the hotel instead of coming and going just for the classes - for security reasons. Then we will give them the money to travel to the various areas around the country and teach it to the rest of our students that we are not able to bring in this time for these classes. We will also cover some of the chapters with our orphanage leaders and our Institute of Missions and Church Planting (IMCP) Mission Outreach group - who are the Bible school graduates that are now missionaries all over the country. Some were in the hardest hit region and nearly lost their lives.

Here are the names of the chapters we'll be teaching in the Healing the Wounds of Trauma Book. This will help you see how very relevant this information is at this time. "If God loves us, why do we suffer?", "How can the wounds of our hearts be healed?", "What happens when someone is grieving?", "How can we help children who suffer bad things?" and "How can we forgive others?"

Last week Kathy was with some of the refugee children who have recently come here (Dallas) and was horrified by their conversation. They were eating Pizza together and they were talking about the soldiers who come to their villages who throw the babies up into the air and catch them on "knives". We assume this means the points of their bayonets. That this is horrible beyond description was bad enough. But what really was disturbing was the casual way in which they talked about it. There is so much horror that has taken place in that part of the world that they are actually desensitized to it. Some of the children who have come into our orphanages have also experienced things that are beyond our comprehension. We hear that there are literally thousands of orphans living on the streets near the train station in the capitol city now because of the recent disaster. And they have all seen many terrible things. One of the e-mails sent a week ago from our American friend who teaches English in there said that there are still bodies all over that are not yet buried. They are dangling from trees, on rooftops, etc. Because of their religious beliefs, people are afraid to go and bury the bodies because they believe that their ghosts are walking around and will attack them if they touch the bodies. We are praying that God will allow us to build some new dormitories in existing orphanages so that we can soon take some of the children who are orphaned by this disaster. And it is our prayer that we can build another orphanage in the fall, after the rainy season ends, that will be able to house another larger group of them if the Lord provides for this.

The people going are: Chad and Brandi Bortnem (Dawn's son and daughter-in-law) Nicole Bortnem (Dawn's other daughter-in-law) Mary Tippy and Denise Hovland, (who have been several times teaching women's BEE classes), Les Prock (a pastor from Seattle area), Tamera, Sallie, Gene, Dawn, and Kathy. Both Nicloe and Mary are nurses. We are all bringing in clothes, NIV Bibles, books (some to replace what have been lost in the storm), vitamins, water filters, pens, toothbrushes and chocolate (because who isn't encouraged by chocolate in times of stress :-). We each have two 50 lb pieces of luggage filled with stuff for them and we're bringing our personal items in our small carry on and back packs!

Here is what we'll be doing on this trip:

- Teaching the Healing the Wounds of Trauma course: Kathy, Gene, Dawn, Denise, Mary and Les.

- Visiting three different Bible schools to encourage the teachers, spend time with the students, and to also help assess their rebuilding needs: John, Doug, Dave, Dawn, Gene, Les, Chad, Brandi and Nicole.
- Visiting the orphanages to encourage the children (all of whom went through the brunt of the storm) and assess rebuilding needs: Kathy, Gene, Dawn, John, Doug, Dave, Mary (nurse), Nicole (nurse), Denise, Chad and Brandi.
- Meeting with our leaders to encourage them and also strategize what are the most effective ways to use the relief funds to not only meet people's immediate needs but also to provide ways through the relief efforts so our nationals can share the gospel with these poor people both now and in the future. We are not just interested in providing for their physical needs but we want for them to meet the God who will provide all of their needs for the rest of their lives and give them eternal life! We believe that all relief funds that we share should have an eternal purpose, not just a temporal one.
- The prayer team that is coming specifically to pray for all of the orphanages, Bible schools, leaders, etc. is: Tamera and Sallie.

I'm attaching a prayer list day by day for those working directly with us. However, the group from Washington (Doug, John, Dave, Tamera and Sallie), I'm not sure of their day to day schedules. Again, we are so grateful for your wonderful response to the needs. We will be counting on your prayers for wisdom and discernment. Love in Christ, The Surpassing Grace Team and fellow travelers: Gene, Dawn, Kathy, Denise, Mary, Les, John, Doug, Dave, Chad, Brandi, Nicole, Tamera and Sallie.

PRAYER LIST FOR MM – JUNE/JULY 2008

June 23: Kathy, Denise, Mary, Tamera and Sallie leave

June 24: Gene, Dawn, Doug, Dave, John leave

June 25: Kathy, etc. arrive

June 26: Gene, etc. arrive

June 27: Les leaves

June 26-28: HWT (Healing the Wounds of Trauma) for orphanage leaders

June 29: Les arrives.

June 30: HWT with BEE women

June 30 – July 2: HWT for some of our BEE students

July 2: John, Doug and Dave leave

July 2-6: HWT for other BEE students

July 3: Chad, Brandi and Nicole leave

July 5: Chad, etc. arrive

July 3,4,9: Finish HWT or same BEE women

July 6,7,8: Leader's conference

July 9, 10, 11, 12: HWT for Mission Outreach group

July 11: Les, Denise and Mary leave – arrive home on the 12th

July 12: Chad, Brandi and Nicole leave – arrive home on the 13th

July 13: Gene, Dawn and Kathy leave – arrive home on the 14th

The trips to orphanages, Bible schools, Julie and Anna's street children ministry, etc. will take place every day that we are able to go. Those not teaching a certain day will go to one of these places.

Genesis 2:3-9
Making The Man

Gen 2:3 = The Blessing.

2:3 C.T. = Then Elohim blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which Elohim had created for the purpose of manufacturing.

Summary:

1. The work of restoration was completed by the 7th day.
2. The proposition is clearly established that God made things from nothing for the purpose of making them into something.
3. This day is 24 hours because it occurs with an ordinal number (7th), but it lacks the identifier of "evening and morning," so it extends for God beyond the 24 hours and involves His creative activity.
4. God clearly set some things in motion which would then be normally governed by the physical laws that He established.
5. The Sabbath Day was set aside from the beginning (sanctified) and was reiterated in the Mosaic Law with explanation. Exo 31:12-18
6. The weekly Sabbatical day of rest was given for the purpose of remembering His work in creation. Exo 20:8-11
7. In the seventh month, the Ark rested on Ararat. Gen 8:4
8. In the seventh month the Fall Feasts were instituted. Lev 23:23-28
9. God also established a year of rest for the land every 7th year. Exo 23:10-13; 25:3-4
10. The Church is not under the forms of the Mosaic Law. Col 2:16-17
11. The reason is that there is a moment by moment rest available to the children of God. Heb 4:1-16; Matt 11:28-30

Genesis 2:4-9 = Man Placed In The Garden.

Gen 2:4 = Early History.

2:4 C.T. = These are the histories of the heavens and the earth when they were created, on a day when Yahweh Elohim made earth and heavens.

Summary:

1. "These are the histories" introduces 9 genealogical sections of Genesis.
 - A. The sequence of events concerning Adam and Eve. 2:4
 - B. The Genealogy of Adam. 5:1
 - C. Of Noah. 6:9
 - D. Of Shem. 11:10
 - E. Of Terah. 11:27
 - F. Of Ishmael. 25:12
 - G. Of Isaac. 25:19
 - H. Of Esau. 36:1
 - I. Of Jacob. 37:2

2. This first "history" involves events from initial creation concerning man that lead up to the maturity of Seth, the son of Adam. Gen 5:1
3. Yahweh Elohim is now introduced as the 3rd member of the Trinity.
4. This section describes to us events that impact all of mankind, for now the emphasis is clearly on inhabited earth.

Gen 2:5 = Attention to Detail.

2:5 C.T. = Now no shrub of the field was yet in the earth, and no edible herb of the field had yet sprouted, for Yahweh Elohim had not sent rain upon the earth, and there did not exist a man to cultivate the ground.

Summary:

1. The Lord has designed an interactive system with mutual service involved.
2. The plants made on day 3 had not even had time to sprout, which gives further proof to not only the literal 24 hour day but also to no gaps of time in between the days.
3. The Lord gives two reasons that they had not yet sprouted:
 - A. No rain.
 - B. No man to serve.
4. No mention of rain is made until the Flood. Gen 7:4

Gen 2:6 = What The Lord Did.

2:6 C.T. = But a mist used to rise from the earth and water the whole surface of the ground.

Summary:

1. This was how the Pre-Flood earth was watered.
2. The Ante-diluvian canopy produced a greenhouse effect.
3. This effect required:
 - A. A uniform temperature.
 - B. Lack of wind to any degree.
 - C. High humidity, which was ideal for plant life.
4. Rivers were additional water sources. 2:10
5. The canopy answers how plants survived without rain.
6. It also would shield the earth from harmful rays of the sun, which could help us understand the longevity of man at that time.
7. After the Flood, the mist would distill into rain. Job 36:24-33

Gen 2:7 = The Event.

2:7 C.T. = Then Yahweh Elohim formed the man of dust from the ground, and He breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became living soul.

Summary:

1. God took dust from the ground and shaped it into a man, who is the only one made this way.
2. The context and grammar indicates that He is describing the events of the first individual man, Adam.
3. The Holy Spirit is heavily involved in this. Job 33:4

4. Removal of this breath results in physical death, with the formed body returning to dust. Job 34:14-15
5. So what? Psa 150:6
6. The animals are only said to have been created with a singular life, where man is said to have been created with more than one life.
7. After the animals reproduced they are said to have "lives" which refers to their different functions of life. Gen 6:17; 7:15,22
8. Man's second life is spiritual and thus has spiritual accountability.
9. The soul is the immaterial part of man that contains the "image of God" wherein resides self-consciousness and the ability to decide.
10. The Holy Spirit used the air as the physical trigger of the soul.
11. Evidently the human spirit is brought into existence somewhere in this process, but the first mention in Genesis is Joseph. Gen 41:8
12. Job speaks regularly of his human spirit. Job 7:11; 10:12; 17:1

Gen 2:8 = The First Garden.

2:8 C.T. = And Yahweh Elohim planted a garden toward the east, in Eden; and there He placed the man whom He had formed.

Summary:

1. In the Lord's manufacturing process He made a place of exceptional beauty and functionality for the man.
2. Gardening would be something requiring knowledge, wisdom and work. Eccl 3:1-2

Gen 2:9 = Growth.

2:9 C.T. = And out of the ground Yahweh Elohim caused to grow every tree that is pleasing to the sight and good for food; and the tree of lives was also in the middle of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Summary:

1. The Garden in Eden has four categories of trees:
 - A. The first was for soul stimulation.
 - B. The second was to satisfy his body's need for food.
 - C. The third tree was located in the center of the Garden and was not only for physical sustenance but spiritual as well.
 - D. The fourth tree was for testing.
2. God made man with the ability to appreciate His creation, to eat from it and to be tested by it.
3. The present state of Adam:
 - A. Perfect environment with plants, animals and food.
 - B. Physically mature.
 - C. Mentally mature.
 - D. Able to be tested.
4. The tree of lives pictures several different things:
 - A. Wisdom. Prov 3:18
 - B. The fruit of righteousness. Prov 11:30
 - C. Fulfilled desire. Prov 13:11-13
 - D. Encouraging words. Prov 15:3-4

5. After this physical life is over, the only issue is the spiritual life and there will be a "Tree of Life" in the Eternal State to remind us.
- A. Permission to eat is to those who overcome by faith. Rev 2:7
 - B. There must also be a personal sanctification, so it is an issue of inheritance and not just salvation. Rev 22:14
 - C. It will be a special tree, with special fruit that heals nations. Rev 22:1-2
 - D. Loss of reward is guaranteed to those who distort the Book of Revelation. Rev 22:18-19