

Trinity Bible Church

The Carpenter's House

July 13, 2008

FIRST SERVICE MESSAGE:

Genesis 2:9-16

The Man in the Garden

Please join us for refreshments between services

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday	14 July	Deacons' Meeting.
Wednesday	16 July	Our So Great Salvation!
Thursday	17 July	Ladies Prayer Meeting.

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

** Please make plans to attend to be equipped to present the good news.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

Hymns

*The Keys to Life:
Hermeneutics*

Village Ministries International
Travel And Prayer Requests

- July 17 Charlie and Bob Leave OKC for Zambia.
- July 18 Charlie and Bob traveling to Zambia.
- July 19 Charlie and Bob meet Mathias from Nigeria, Renatus from Tanzania, Charles from Zambia and Joseph from Zambia in Lusaka Zambia.
 Mark and Laura Gassaway and Joshua Shook leave Houston and Jon and Brian Inghram leave Virginia for Managua Nicaragua to meet Mark Griffin and Cairo Farinas and then travel to Esteli.
- July 20 Africa team in Lusaka Zambia teaching at Charles church.
 Nicaragua team preparing for baseball camp and girls camp.
 Billy Morgan teaches at Mike Bryant's Church in Erie Pa
- July 21 Africa team traveling to Charles banana plantation to teach pastors.
 Bob and Jack Mareburger and Cary and Ty Gathright leave Tulsa for Managua, Nicaragua, and then travel to Esteli
 Nicaragua team making final preparation for baseball camp and girls camp.
 Drue Freeman leaves OKC to Penn Youth Camp
 Billy Morgan leave Alabama for Penn Youth Camp
- July 22 Africa team traveling to Northern Zambia to teach in Joseph's church.
 Nicaragua team having baseball camp and girls camp.
 Pennsylvania Youth Camp
- July 23 Africa team teaching Foundations to pastors in Joseph church in Zambia
 Nicaragua Camp
 Pennsylvania Youth Camp
- July 24 Africa team teaching Foundations in Zambia
 Nicaragua team Camp
 Pennsylvania Youth Camp
- July 25 Africa team teaching Foundations In Zambia
 Nicaragua team Camp
 Pennsylvania Youth Camp
- July 26 Africa team Charlie, Bob, and Renatus travel to Entebbe Uganda to meet Bishop Waako and Ismael Bamuleke.
 Mathias returns to Nigeria.
 Joseph and Charles return to their homes in Zambia
 Nicaragua team travels to Managua
 Pennsylvania Youth Camp
- July 27 Africa team Teach in Bishop Waako's church travel to village of Ismael Bamuleke with Bishop Waako.
 Nicaragua team travels from Managua to home.
 Mark, Laura, Joshua, Jack, Bob, Cary, Ty, Jon and Brian

Mark Griffin and Cairo Farinas return to their home in Esteli
 Drue returns from Pennsylvania Youth Camp.
 July 28 Africa Team teaches Foundation to Pastors in Uganda
 Billy Morgan travel from Erie to home
 July 29 Africa team teaches Foundations in Uganda
 July 30 Africa team teaches Foundations in Uganda
 July 31 Africa team teaches Foundations in Uganda
 Aug 1 Africa team travels to Entebbe Uganda
 Leonard Chanler leaves OKC to travel to Mwanza Tanzania
 Aug 2 Africa team travels to Mwanza Tanzania Charlie Bob and Renatus
 Leonard Travels all day Epahras and David will travel to Mwanza
 Aug 3 African team teaching in Renatus Church Charlie Bob Leonard, Renatus,
 Epahras and David.
 Aug 4 African team teaches Foundations in Mwanza Tanzania
 Aug 5 Africa team teaches Foundations in Mwanza
 Aug 6 Africa team teaches Foundations in Mwanza
 Aug 7 Africa team Rest
 Bob leaves Mwanza to travel home
 Aug 8 Africa team travel to Tabora
 Bob arrives home
 Aug 9 Africa team planning for conference in Tabora
 Aug 10 Africa team teaching in local church in Tabora
 Aug 11 Africa team teaching Foundation in Tabora
 Aug 12 Africa team teaching Foundations in Tabora
 Aug 13 Africa team teaching Foundations in Tabora
 Aug 14 Africa team teaching Foundations in Tabora
 Aug 15 Africa team travel to village
 Aug 16 Africa team rest
 Aug 17 Africa team teaching at church in village
 Aug 18 Africa team teaching Foundations in village
 Aug 19 Africa team teaching Foundations in village
 Aug 20 Africa team teaching Foundations in village
 Aug 21 Africa team teaching Foundations in village
 Aug 22 Africa team travel day
 Aug 23 Africa team travel to Tabora
 Aug 24 Charlie and Leonard leave Tabora Tanzania to travel home Epahras
 David and Renatus return home in Tanzania
 Aug 25 Charlie and Leonard arrive OKC 7:04 PM

Genesis 2:9-16
The Man in the Garden

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

Gen 2:10 = The River of Eden.

2:10 C.T. = Now a river flowed out of Eden to water the garden; and from there it divided and became four rivers.

Gen 2:11 = The First River.

2:11 C.T. = The name of the first is Pishon; it flows around the whole land of the Havilah, where there is the gold.

Gen 2:12 = Comments.

2:12 C.T. = The gold of that land is good; the bdellium and the onyx stone are there.

Gen 2:13 = The Second River.

2:13 C.T. = The name of the second river is Gihon; it flows around the whole land of Cush.

Summary:

1. These first two rivers are no longer extant, but were in the days of Moses when he wrote this account.
2. He gives a description of their location after the Flood and Tower of Babel.
3. One river ran through Eden and branched into four other rivers.
4. The Havilah were descendants of Shem through Joktan a brother of Peleg. Gen 10:29
5. Pishon ran from modern day Turkey down through Arabia to the west coast and into the Red Sea.
6. Cush was a son of Ham who settled in Ethiopia,
7. The indication is that the river Gihon went from modern day Turkey down the west side of the Dead Sea and emptied into northern Africa, possibly in the Upper Nile.

Gen 2:14 = The Third and Fourth Rivers.

2:14 C.T. = The name of the third river is Tigris; it flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

Summary:

1. These two rivers are extant today.
2. Moses gives information that a person in 1445 B.C. could verify as proof of the historicity of the events being described.
3. No one seriously questioned this as the inspired Word of God until the so-called "enlightenment" of the 1800's.
4. Although two rivers are no longer extant, there is reasonable proof of the accuracy of this report.
5. The Tigris and Euphrates rivers were very important to the ancients and this area is called the "cradle of civilization."
6. The Euphrates is one of the designated boundaries of the land promised to Abraham. Gen 15:8; Deut 1:7; 11:24; Josh 1:4
7. The Euphrates will be dried up in the 6th Vial Judgment of the Tribulation to make way for the "Kings of the East." Rev 16:12
8. These four rivers illustrate the "Living Water" who is Jesus.
 - A. PISHON means "overflowing water," so Jesus is more than enough.
 - B. GIHON means "bursting forth," indicating that He is Strong enough.
 - C. CHIDDEKEL refers to a palm tree indicating that the water is Gentle enough for a place of rest.
 - D. EUPHRATES means "break forth," indicating that He is the Conqueror.

The Keys to Life: Hermeneutics

6. Since the Creator inspired and preserved a written record, how should we read it? The Issue of Hermeneutics.
 - A. There are only 2 ways to interpret the Bible, Literal or not-literal.
 7. Some basic principles: McDowell: Pg 47 New Evidence.
 - a. The unexplained is not necessarily unexplainable.
 - b. Fallible interpretations do not mean fallible revelation.
 - c. Understand the context of the passage.
 - d. Interpret difficult passages in the light of the clear ones.
 - e. Don't base teaching on obscure passages.
 - f. The Bible is a human book with human characteristics.
 - g. Because a report is incomplete does not mean it is false.
 - h. New Testament citations of the Old Testament need not always be exact.
 - i. The Bible does not necessarily approve of all its records.
 - j. The Bible uses non-technical everyday language.
 - k. The Bible may use round numbers as well as exact numbers.
 - l. Note when the Bible uses different literary devices.
 - m. An copy error does not mean an original error.
 - n. General statements do not necessarily mean universal promises.
 - o. Later revelation supersedes previous revelation.