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The Generations of Adam through Seth

- I. The Life of Adam (Genesis 5:1-5)
- A. Adam was created by God – in His likeness.
 - B. God created male and female and joined them together as one.
 - C. Adam was 130 when Seth was born – in Adam’s likeness.
 - D. Adam lived for 930 years and he died.
- II. The Descendants of Seth (Genesis 5:6-32)
- A. Seth - 912 years - 105 when Enos was born
 - B. Enos - 905 years - 90 when Cainan was born
 - C. Cainan - 910 years - 70 when Mahalaleel was born
 - D. Mahalaleel - 895 years - 65 when Jared was born
 - E. Jared - 962 years - 162 when Enoch was born
 - F. Enoch - 365 years - 65 when Methuselah was born
 - G. Methuselah - 969 years - 187 when Lamech was born
 - H. Lamech - 777 years - 182 when Noah was born
 - I. Noah - 950 years
 - 1. Apparently, Noah was around 500 when God warned him of the coming flood.
 - 2. He was 600 years old when the Flood came, and he lived 350 years after it (7:6; 9:28-29).
- III. The Life of Enoch (Genesis 5:21-24)
- A. Enoch was the father of Methuselah and was 65 when he was born.
 - 1. As far as the Bible records, Methuselah was the oldest man to ever live.
 - 2. Yet, he died before his father did – for Enoch did not die!
 - B. Enoch “was not, for God took him” – meaning that God took Enoch directly from this life into the next, without his having to suffer death (cf. Heb. 11:5-6).
 - 1. “Then he was not, for God took him” (LITV).
 - 2. “And Enoch walketh habitually with God, and he is not, for God hath taken him” (YLT).
 - C. What a powerful lesson God taught through Enoch – sin can be overcome, its punishment can be avoided, and death can be defeated!
 - D. This was possible because Enoch walked with God (cf. Amos 3:3; Deut. 13:4; Phil. 3:16-17; 1 John 1:7; Psalm 23).
 - E. Enoch pleased God (Heb. 11:5-6; cf. 1 Thes. 4:1).
 - F. Enoch stood with God (Jude 14-15).
- IV. Lessons from the Genealogies
- A. Children are in the image of their parents – a sober responsibility.
 - B. The young age of the Earth
 - C. The stubborn rebelliousness of man
 - D. No matter how long each man lived, their story ended the same – “And he died.”