<u>Regarding The 8th Person – A Revelation, One Pointed Out By GOD!</u> by Roger Funk, II

GOD, HIMSELF pointed out to me, Face to face, THIS Scripture, AND ITS ISSUE, and showed me the problem that it engenders, **and sent me on the quest to find out HOW this was THE TRUTH**, and **NOT** that it would need to be explained away by some other means to make up for what appears to be the "APPARENT" INACCURACY written within its verbiage;

Which I will now highlight for you, the reader AND "STUDENT" OF THE WORD OF GOD (i.e., "PUPIL"... Matthew 28:19 – "<u>TEACH</u> all nations;" in the Greek, the word "teach" is "matheteuo," pronounced "math-ayt-yoo'-oh", which is defined as meaning "<u>BECOMING A PUPIL</u>" [of the Word of God], as per Strong's Concordance/Dictionary; specifically, it means, transitively, "TO DISCIPLE," that is,

"to <u>ENROL</u> [all nations] <u>AS A SCHOLAR (AS SCHOLARS)</u>" [of the Word of God]).

2Peter 2:5

(5) And spared not the old world, but saved <u>Noah the eighth *person*</u>, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

Let's go to the "begat" verses in Genesis to determine if that is APPARENTLY true:

Genesis 4:1-8

- (1) And **Adam knew Eve his wife**; and **she conceived**, and **bore Cain**, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.
- (2) And **she again bore his brother Abel**. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.
- (3) And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.
- (4) And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:
- (5) But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.
- (6) And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?
- (7) If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.
- (8) And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that **Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him**.

THIS LEAVES CAIN ALONE AS THE ELDEST SON OF ADAM & EVE.

Continuing:

Genesis 5:1-5

- (1) This *is* **the book of the generations of Adam**. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him;
- (2) Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and **called their name** Adam [which means literally, "ruddy," i.e., "red colored" and "of a lively flesh color," "mankind," or "human being"], in the day when they were created.
- (3) And <u>Adam lived a hundred and thirty years</u>, <u>and begot</u> *a son* in his own likeness, after his image; **and called his name** <u>Seth</u>:
- (4) And the days of Adam <u>after</u> he had <u>begotten</u> <u>Seth</u> were <u>eight hundred</u> <u>years</u>: and <u>he begot sons and daughters</u>:

(5) And all the days that **Adam lived** were **nine hundred and thirty years**: and <u>he</u> <u>died</u>.

So, we see, in these verses, that there was a FIRST PERSON, ADAM, and Adam had 3 sons: Cain, the 1st son, of whom it is not conclusive, but rather speculative, that it was **in the very beginning of Adam and Eve's lives that they** "knew one another" (procreated, that is) and **bore Cain**.

However, during the same time-frame of Adam and Eve's lives...

(I again say, specutively, simply because there is no specificity in this account that Adam or Eve lived any specific number of years before they bore these two sons – but then there IS the specificity of eight hundred years later, in verse 5:4, that Adam begot his 3rd son),

... Eve begat Abel, her 2nd son

(PRESUMABLY by Adam, yet not stated emphatically in Genesis 4:2 that Abel was born by Adam; rather, it is inferred that he was begotten by Adam, merely by the Word NOT STATING that ANY DAUGHTERS were born to Adam, or to Eve, by that time PRIOR TO ABEL'S BIRTH!).

Finally, Adam begot Seth [perhaps by Eve, perhaps not by Eve], his presumed 3rd son.

Now, let me state that, by the time the 3rd son was born, 130 years had transpired, but by the time Adam's life had been added to 800 years AFTER Seth, a total of 930 years transpiring, there may have been DAUGHTERS born to Adam (verse 5:4), any one of which could have had sexual relations with Adam and thus bore Seth; SIMILARLY, there is even the possibility that, by any one or more of these daughters that were born to Adam, thus of HIS lineage, any one of the later SONS of Adam, begotten AFTER SETH, could have had relations with any one of the DAUGHTERS born during that later-life time, and/or <u>Adam could have had</u> <u>relations with a granddaughter</u> to bear Seth. So stating, it is not DEFINITIVELY DETERMINED THAT EVE BORE SETH.

However, since it was NOT stated that DAUGHTERS were begotten BEFORE Seth's birth, one may ASSUME that Eve begat Seth, too; and it is, furthermore, PRESUMED that Adam was the father of Abel, whom Eve, specifically, bore – however, Abel could have been born to Eve as had been fathered by Cain!

People have a difficult time accepting that, during these early years of humankind, there was OF NECESSITY "incestuous" relations that caused the begetting of children. This <u>may not have been</u> the case with Adam, nor with Eve, but <u>it WOULD</u> <u>NECESSARILY have been</u> the case with the first 3 sons born!

It would HAVE HAD TO HAVE BEEN SUCH that these sons took to themselves WIVES OF ADAM'S &/OR OF EVE'S PROGENY, which 2 remaining, and perhaps Abel, also (prior to his being murdered), WOULD HAVE HAD INCESTUOUS RELATIONS WITH A SISTER OR GRANDDAUGHTER, OR GREAT-NIECE, OR GREAT-GRANDAUGHTER, OR GREAT-GRAND-NIECE, OR FEMALE COUSIN, ETC., ETC., DURING THE 800 YEARS THAT FOLLOWED SETH'S BIRTH!

There is no question that there is EVERY CHANCE that Seth had relations with a later female, and it could be that she was even a great-great-great-great-great-

granddaughter, or similar great-niece, MANY begettings further from the lineage of Adam's son Seth, or even from his sons Abel or Cain!

Having so explained this phenomenon of early mankind, let us not assume that it was OF NECESSITY that Seth, or Abel (if he had any children before being murdered), or Cain – any one of them – had to have had an incestuous relation with Eve, nor with one of their own sisters. But it could have been such that Adam's progeny had been the source from which they'd selected their wives, and thus had had children by them, many generations after their future siblings, and their children, and children's children, and so on, were begotten!

With this very backdrop of understanding, let us go back to investigating the lineage of Adam, as being the 1st man, unto the lineage of Noah, the 8th man, according to 2Peter 2:5 (see that citation at the beginning of this Message):

We already have Adam & Eve, presumably (but not necessarily), both the father and mother of Cain, Abel, and Seth. These 3 children were "the 2nd persons" in the lineage of Adam, we are presuming.

Let's see the rest of "the begot" verses thereafter:

The lineage is then taken from Seth in the Scripture verses thereafter; he is the 2nd son of Adam, specifically (Genesis 5:4, again), thus being "the second person" applying the words of Peter.

Genesis 5:6

(6) And Seth lived a hundred and five years, and begot Enos:

So, we are assured that Adam lived 130 years to beget Seth, and then they assuredly had other sons AND DAUGHTERS that Seth could have had relations with up to 105 years later, excepting the years required for the woman to be old enough to be capable of bearing children. We can thus eliminate about 7 or 8 years minimum for that to be so, accounting from the 105 years after Seth was born that Enos was born to him; we also have to eliminate the years of Seth's life required for him to copulate with a female, another 7 or 8 years, minimum, we can assume.

Thus, 105 years, minus 14 to 16 years would allow about 90 years, plus or minus a few, that Seth had to choose, from the progeny of Adam, a female to be his wife. In 90 years, one can have at least 3, perhaps 4, or more, generations that are born to their progenitors.

Therefore, so saying, Seth could have had a sister to wife, a daughter to wife, a granddaughter to wife, a niece to wife, a great-granddaughter to wife, a great-niece to wife, a female cousin to wife, etc., etc., unto a great-great-grand-daughter (maybe even beyond that), and any number of cousins, second cousins, third cousins, etc., who could have been his wife... the woman that bare him Enos!

Taking ALL OF THAT into account, we can see that it was NOT, OF NECESSITY, such that the sons of Adam had to have had incest with a sibling, but could have had relations with any number of others in Adam's progeny, all which would have been "in the family line," but NOT necessarily incestuous, per se. (However, it still MAY HAVE BEEN incest – as we don't really know for certain, given the Scriptural accounting thereof!)

Adam, the first person; Seth, the second person (presuming the Biblical Account was by the progeny of Seth); and Enos, the third person.

From there, we have this lineage:

Genesis 5:9

(9) And Enos lived ninety years, and begot Cainan:

(Cainan would be the fourth person, then.)

Genesis 5:12

(12) And Cainan lived seventy years, and begot Mahalaleel:

(Mahalaleel would be the fifth person, then.)

Genesis 5:15

(15) And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and begot Jared:

(Jared would be the sixth person, then.)

Genesis 5:18

(18) And Jared lived a hundred sixty and two years, and he begot Enoch:

(Enoch would be the seventh person, then.)

Genesis 5:21

(21) And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begot Methuselah:

(Methuselah would be the eighth person, then.)

Genesis 5:25 (25) And Methuselah lived a hundred eighty and seven years, and begot Lamech:

(Lamech would be the ninth person, then.)

Genesis 5:28-29

(28) And Lamech lived a hundred eighty and two years, and begot a son:

(29) And he called his name Noah, saying, This *same* shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.

(Noah would be the TENTH person, therefore – NOT THE EIGHTH... at least by THIS RECKONING & LINEAGE!)

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED IN THE ABOVE, THERE'S ANY NUMBER OF POSSIBILITIES OF HOW THIS LINEAGE COULD BE DERIVED FROM THE LINEAGE OF ADAM UNTO THE 8th PERSON, BEING NOAH, BUT ONLY ONE ANSWER FROM THE LINEAGE OF SETH TO NOAH!

<u>Here Is The Secret FOUND IN God's Word, In Response To</u> <u>What God Pointed Out To Me IS The Disparity In 2Peter 2:5</u>:

The English Standard Version cites 2Peter 2:5 this way:

"if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved NOAH, a herald of righteousness, WITH SEVEN OTHERS, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly;"

The New International Version cites 2Peter 2:5 this way:

"if he did not spare the ancient world when he brought the flood on its ungodly people, but protected NOAH, a preacher of righteousness, AND SEVEN OTHERS;"

The New Living Translation cites 2Peter 2:5 this way:

"And God did not spare the ancient world – except for NOAH AND THE SEVEN OTHERS IN HIS FAMILY. Noah warned the world of God's righteous judgment. So God protected Noah when he destroyed the world of ungodly people with a vast flood."

The New King James Version cites 2Peter 2:5 this way:

"and did not spare the ancient world, but saved NOAH, ONE OF EIGHT PEOPLE, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly;"

The New Century Version cites 2Peter 2:5 this way:

"And God punished the world long ago when he brought a flood to the world that was full of people who were against him. But God saved NOAH, who preached about being right with God, AND SEVEN OTHER PEOPLE WITH HIM."

The New American Standard Version cites 2Peter 2:5 this way:

"and spared not the ancient world, but preserved NOAH WITH SEVEN OTHERS, a preacher of righteousness, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly;"

The Holman Christian Standard Bible cites 2Peter 2:5 this way:

"and if He didn't spare the ancient world, but protected NOAH a preacher of righteousness, AND SEVEN OTHERS, when He brought a flood on the world of the ungodly;"

The New Revised Standard Version cites 2Peter 2:5 this way:

"and if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved NOAH, a proclaimer of righteousness, AND SEVEN OTHERS when he brought a flood on the world of the ungodly,"

The Passion Translation cites 2Peter 2:5 this way:

"And he did not spare the former world in the days of Noah when he sent a flood to destroy a depraved world (although he protected NOAH, the preacher of righteousness, ALONG WITH SEVEN MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY),"

EVERY ONE OF THESE TRANSLATIONS HAS THIS MATTER WRONG!!! Note this ONE EXCEPTION:

The 1890 Darby Bible cites 2Peter 2:5 this way:

"and spared not the old world, but preserved NOE, THE EIGHTH, a preacher of righteousness, having brought in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;"

Let me NOW clarify what IS that which the Scripture teaches about this subject... Scripture interpreting Scripture:

Genesis 4:8-19

- (8) And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that **Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him**.
- (9) And the LORD said unto Cain, Where *is* Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: *Am* I my brother's keeper?
- (10) And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.
- (11) And now *art* thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;
- (12) When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.
- (13) And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can bear.
- (14) Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, *that* every one that findeth me shall slay me.
- (15) And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.
- (16) And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden.
- (17) *And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bore Enoch*: and he built a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch.
- (18) And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begot Mehujael: and Mehujael begot Methusael: and Methusael begot Lamech.
- (19) And Lamech took unto him two wives: the name of the one *was* Adah, and the name of the other Zillah.

Looking into this verse, it would appear that there are TWO ENOCHS!!! THAT IS FALSE!!!

"How can that be?!" one might ask!

Here's the secret that unlocks the entire Word:

Genesis 5:6-29

- (6) And Seth lived a hundred and five years, and begot Enos:
- (7) And Seth lived after <u>he</u> begot Enos eight hundred and seven years, and begot sons and daughters:
- (8) And all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years: and <u>he</u> died.
- (9) And Enos lived ninety years, and begot Cainan:
- (10) And Enos lived after <u>he</u> begot Cainan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begot sons and daughters:

- (11) And all the days of Enos were nine hundred and five years: and <u>he</u> died.
- (12) And Cainan lived seventy years, and begot Mahalaleel:
- (13) And Cainan lived after <u>he</u> begot Mahalaleel eight hundred and forty years, and begot sons and daughters:
- (14) And all the days of Cainan were nine hundred and ten years: and <u>he</u> died.
- (15) And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and begot Jared:
- (16) And Mahalaleel lived after <u>he</u> begot Jared eight hundred and thirty years, and begot sons and daughters:
- (17) And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and <u>he</u> died.
- (18) And <u>Jared</u> lived a hundred sixty and two years, and <u>he begot Enoch</u>:
- (19) And **Jared lived after he begot Enoch** eight hundred years, and begot sons and daughters:
- (20) And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and <u>he</u> died.
- (21) And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begot Methuselah:
- (22) And Enoch walked with God after <u>he</u> begot Methuselah three hundred years, and begot sons and daughters:
- (23) And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years:
- (24) And Enoch walked with God: and <u>he</u> was not; for God took <u>him</u>.
- (25) And Methuselah lived a hundred eighty and seven years, and begot Lamech:
- (26) And Methuselah lived after <u>he</u> begot Lamech seven hundred eighty and two years, and begot sons and daughters:
- (27) And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and <u>he</u> died.
- (28) And Lamech lived a hundred eighty and two years, and begot a son:
- (29) And <u>he</u> called <u>his</u> name Noah, saying, This *same* shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.

Okay then, we have Cain begetting Enoch and we have Jared begetting Enoch, and BOTH accounts use the term "he" for the ASSUMED gender of Cain and of Enoch.

We know from Genesis 4:1 that Cain IS a man:

Genesis 4:1

(1) And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bore <u>Cain</u>, and said, I have gotten <u>a man</u> from the LORD.

What about Jared, then?

Let's look at what the Scripture teaches on the subject of the gender of Jared from the word used in the Hebrew, according to Strong's Concordance/Dictionary, for the word "he" – in all three of the following verses:

Genesis 5:18-20

- (18) And <u>Jared</u> lived a hundred sixty and two years, and <u>he begot Enoch</u>:
- (19) And **Jared lived after he begot Enoch** eight hundred years, and begot sons and daughters:
- (20) And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and <u>he</u> died.

Note: "and <u>he</u> begot," in verse 18, is one word in Hebrew, and the word "HE" is NOT within its definition!

In fact, there are two words used together, and the word "he" is not used in either of them; "he," used in verse 20 above, is not even used as the 2nd translated word at all!

Let's see, in fact, what the Hebrew word DOES state is the definition! Look here:

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A primitive root; **to** *bear* **young**; causatively to *beget*; medically **to** *act as midwife*; specifically **to** *show lineage*:

So then, <u>the word literally has MORE OF a connotation of a FEMALE than a</u> <u>Male</u>! This is most evident, even though <u>BOTH genders can be derived from</u> <u>its definition:</u> "<u>to show lineage.</u>"

Here are all the words that are used in the Old Testament for this same word, as are used in the King James Version:

"bear, **beget**, **birth** ([-day]), born, (make to) **bring forth (children, young)**, bring up, calve, child, come, **be delivered (of a child)**, time of delivery, gender, hatch, labour, (do the office of a) midwife, declare pedigrees, be the son of, **(woman in, woman that) travail (-eth, -ing woman)**.

Note that MOST of those other usages of the same Hebrew word, "yalad," have a FEMALE connotation, NOT MALE!

Now, let's look at the other word that can be made to reference gender (or that does not reference gender) that is used in the Hebrew:

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Apparently contracted from H226 in the demonstrative sense of *entity*; properly *self* (but generally used to point out more definitely the object of a verb or preposition, *even* or *namely*): - (As such unrepresented in English.)

So then, "SELF" and "ENTITY" are the words that have been interpreted as "HE," errantly, even in the King James Version! IN FACT, EVERY ONE OF THE VERSIONS USES "HE" TO ASSOCIATE WITH THE GENDER OF JARED AS BEING A MALE!!!

WRONG!!!

Therefore, the primarily Jewish perspective that ALL of the lineage of the Old Testament is declared as being from the MALES of each of the generations, from Adam to Noah, IS 100% INACCURATE!

Thus, the secret that is revealed is that Cain was the man that begot Enoch, and Jared was the WOMAN that BORE Enoch!

Now, let's test that out, as according to the words in 2Peter 2:5 (reiterating the King James Version and the 1890 Darby Version, following):

2Peter 2:5

(5) And spared not the old world, but saved **Noah the eighth** *person*, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

2Peter 2:5

(5) "and spared not the old world, but preserved NOE, THE EIGHTH, a preacher of righteousness, having brought in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;"

So, IS Noah the eighth person in the lineage of Adam, as per the generations including, and following, Adam, as was born through the lineage of Cain, and Jared, unto Noah, rather than through the lineage of Seth? Let's see:

(1) And **Adam knew Eve his wife**; and **she conceived**, and **bore Cain**, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.

So then, we have these "persons" in the lineage, thus far:

Adam, the first person; Cain, the second person; Cain & Jared begat Enoch.

Genesis 5:18

(18) And Jared lived a hundred sixty and two years, and he [SHE] begot **Enoch**:

(Enoch would be the third person, then.)

Genesis 5:21

(21) And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begot Methuselah:

(Methuselah would be the fourth person, then.)

Genesis 5:25

(25) And Methuselah lived a hundred eighty and seven years, and begot Lamech:

(Lamech would be the fifth person, then.)

Genesis 5:28-29

- (28) And Lamech lived a hundred eighty and two years, and begot a son:
- (29) And he called his name Noah, saying, This *same* shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.

(Noah would be the sixth person, then.)

WOW! THIS DOES NOT WORK EITHER... RIGHT?!

Well then, before we make that assumption, LET'S SEE IF THERE'S ANOTHER SECRET IN THE WORD:

Scripture interprets Scripture – remember that fact!

Note that there are TWO DISTINCT SECRETS IN GENESIS, CHAPTER 4. See here:

Genesis 4:17-24

- (17) And **Cain knew his wife [Jared]; and she conceived, and bore Enoch**: and he built a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch.
- (18) And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begot Mehujael: and Mehujael begot Methusael: and Methusael begot Lamech.

THUS, SECRET NUMBER ONE IS THIS:

Genesis 5:18

(18) And <u>Jared</u> lived a hundred sixty and two years, and he [SHE] begot <u>Enoch</u> [by <u>Cain</u>]:

(Enoch would be the third person, then.)

Genesis 5:18 (18) And <u>unto Enoch was born Irad</u> ...

(Irad would be the fourth person, then.)

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... and Mehujael begot Methusael ...

(Methusael would be the sixth person, then.)

Genesis 5:18 ... and <u>Methusael begot Lamech</u> ...

(Lamech would be the seventh person, then.)

Here's the Secret:

Genesis 5:25

(25) And **Methuselah** lived a hundred eighty and seven years, and **begot Lamech**:

REMEMBER THAT GENESIS 5:18 STATES THAT <u>METHUSAEL</u> BEGOT LAMECH, RIGHT? ARE THERE ALSO 2 LAMECH'S?!!

<u>THE SECRET</u>: <u>METHUSALEH</u> AND <u>METHUSAEL</u> ARE 2 CLOSELY ITERATED NAMES FOR THE SAME PERSON: <u>METHUSALEH, THE FATHER OF LAMECH</u>!

Continuing, then:

Genesis 5:26-29

- (26) And **Methuselah** lived after he **begot Lamech** seven hundred eighty and two years, and begot sons and daughters:
- (27) And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.
- (28) And <u>Lamech</u> lived a hundred eighty and two years, and <u>begot a son</u>:

(29) And <u>he called his name Noah</u>, saying, This *same* shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.

So then:

(Methusaleh/Methusael, one and the same person, is the sixth person, therefore.)

(Thus, Lamech would be the seventh person.)

(FINALLY, <u>NOAH WOULD BE THE EIGHTH PERSON OF THE PROGENY</u> <u>OF ADAM, BY THE LINEAGE OF CAIN & JARED!!!</u>)

(You will also do well to realize that Mahujael would LIKEWISE, from that lineage, BE A WOMAN, the woman who bore unto Enoch her husband, the man Methusael/Methusaleh!)

Now, here is SECRET NUMBER TWO:

Genesis 4:19-24

- (19) And <u>Lamech took unto him two wives</u>: the name of the **one** *was* <u>Adah</u>, and the name of **the other** <u>Zillah</u>.
- (20) And **Adah bore** <u>Jabal</u>: he was the <u>father of such as</u> dwell in tents, and *of such* as <u>have cattle</u>.
- (21) And his brother's name *was* <u>Jubal</u>: he was the <u>father of all such as handle</u> <u>the harp and organ</u>.
- (22) And <u>Zillah</u>, she also <u>bore Tubal-cain</u>, <u>an instructor of every artificer in</u> <u>brass and iron</u>: and <u>the sister of Tubal-cain</u> <u>was Naamah</u>.
- (23) And Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for <u>I have slain a man to my wounding</u>, and [<u>I have slain</u>] a young man to my hurt.
- (24) If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.

There is so very much packed into these verses, and there are actually several secrets wrapped up in them! But let me lay out what is most significant, that which I am referring to as SECRET NUMBER TWO within these Scriptural Passages:

Lamech had 2 wives; we KNOW that Lamech was the father of Noah, right? RIGHT!

Therefore, Lamech was married to Adah, who had 2 sons:

One son was a keeper of cattle (the word "cattle" in the Hebrew, according to Strong's Concordance/Dictionary, means "(live) stock," which are 4-footed mammals; such include SHEEP/LAMBS, as would be used for SACRIFICES TO OFFER UNTO THE LORD);

The other son "handle[d] the harp and organ" – BOTH BEING INSTRUMENTS THAT MAY BE USED FOR WORSHIP UNTO THE LORD GOD!

I assert, from this description, that Lamech and Adah brought up their 2 sons in holiness and righteousness! (*From which Noah's righteousness was derived, I declare!*)

Lamech's wife, Zillah, however, had a son and a daughter: Tubal-cain, and Naamah.

Tubal-cain was "an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron."

An artificer is one who is **a "fabricator,"** according to Strong's Concordance/Dictionary definition for that Hebrew word.

Tubal-cain was a "fabricator" who made objects out of "brass and iron."

It is my contention that Tubal-cain was a fabricator of IDOLS, thus FALSE GODS! HE LIVED CONTRARILY TO THE TRUE AND LIVING GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND HE WORSHIPPED CREATED THINGS... JUST LIKE HIS PROGENITOR, CAIN, WHO GAVE AN OFFERING TO GOD OUT OF THE FRUIT OF THE GROUND, WHICH GOD HAD CURSED! THUS WAS HE NAMED "Tubal-CAIN!" (See Genesis 4:1-5 which follows):

Genesis 4:1-5

- (1) And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bore <u>Cain</u>, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.
- (2) And she again bore his brother Abel. And <u>Abel was a keeper of sheep</u>, but <u>Cain</u> <u>was a tiller of the ground</u>.
- (3) And in process of time it came to pass, that <u>Cain brought of the fruit of the</u> ground an offering unto the LORD.
- (4) And <u>Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat</u> [THUS A SACRIFICE TO OBTAIN THE FAT PORTION] <u>thereof</u>. And <u>the</u> <u>LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering</u>:
- (5) But <u>unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect</u>. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

"TUBAL-Cain" means "OFFSPRING OF Cain" – he was "born after" Cain's heart toward the things of God; thus, I assert, Tubal-cain was (as was Cain, himself) an unrighteous man in God's sight!

Let's see what God actually thought of Cain:

Here is the definition of "Cain," as per Strong's Concordance/Dictionary:

CAIN:

H7014

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kah'-yin

The same as H7013 (<u>with a play upon the affinity to H7069</u>); *Kajin*, the name of the first child, also of a place in Palestine, and of an Oriental tribe: - Cain, Kenite (-s).

H7013

k [sch

kah'-yin From H6969 in the original sense of *fixity*; <u>**a** *lance*</u> (as *striking fast*): - <u>spear</u>.

(I BELIEVE THAT CAIN'S NAME MEANT THE AFOREMENTIONED BECAUSE OF THE WAY HE HAD KILLED ABEL: I CONTEND THAT ABEL WAS MURDERED BY CAIN WITH A SPEAR (i.e., "LANCED" HIM WITH A "SPEAR!")

H7069

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kaw-naw'

A primitive root; **to** *erect*, that is, *create*; by extension to *procure*, especially by purchase (causatively *sell*); by implication to *own:* - attain, buy (-er), teach to keep cattle, get, **provoke to jealousy**, possess (-or), purchase, recover, redeem, X surely, X verily.

(I BELIEVE, AND ASSERT, THAT CAIN ERECTED IDOLS UNTO FALSE GODS!)

affinity /ə-fīn'ī-tē/

noun

1. A natural attraction, liking, or feeling of kinship.

"a special affinity with animals; a cultural affinity for the automobile."

2. A natural tendency or ability to use or do something.

"an affinity with languages; an affinity for making money."

3. <u>A natural compatibility of one thing with another</u>.

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<u>Affinity</u> refers to a natural attraction or feeling of kinship towards someone or something, often due to shared characteristics or interests. It <u>can also describe a close similarity</u> <u>between two things</u>.

H6969

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A primitive root; <u>to *strike*</u> a musical note, that is, *chant* or <u>*wail* (at a funeral)</u>: -<u>lament</u>, <u>mourning</u> woman.

BRASS:

(The word "Brass" was used to describe what Tubal-cain was an artificer (fabricator) in: "BRASS AND IRON." [See Genesis 4:22 again].)

H5178

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nekh-o'-sheth

For H5154; *copper*; hence, something made of that metal, that is, *coin*, <u>a fetter</u> ["FETTERS" ARE USED TO BIND THE FEET AT THE ANKLES]; figuratively *base* (as compared with gold or silver): - brasen, brass, chain, copper, fetter (of brass), filthiness, steel.

H5154

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nekh-oo-shaw', nekh-oo-shaw' Feminine of H5153; *copper*: - brass, steel. Compare H5176.

H5153

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naw-khoosh'

Apparently passive participle of H5172 (perhaps in the sense of *ringing*, that is, bell metal; or <u>from the *red* color of the throat of a serpent</u> (H5175, as **denominative**) <u>when hissing</u>); *coppery*, that is, (figuratively) hard: - of brass.

Iron:

(The word "Iron" was used to describe what Tubal-cain was an artificer (fabricator) in: "BRASS AND IRON." [See Genesis 4:22 again].)

H1270

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bar-zel'

Perhaps from the root of H1269; *iron* (as *cutting*); by extension <u>an iron</u> *implement:* - (ax) head, iron.

(I SUGGEST THAT THE SPEAR CAIN USED TO MURDER ABEL WAS MADE OF IRON, BASED ON THIS DEFINITION!!!)

<u>H1269</u>

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beer-zoth'

Probably feminine plural from an unused root (apparently meaning <u>to *pierce*</u>); *holes*; *Birzoth*, an Israelite: - Birzavith [from the margin].

See these verses of Scripture to consider what else is said of this subject:

Jeremiah 6:28-30

- (28) They *are* all grievous revolters, walking with slanders: *they are* brass and iron; they *are* all corrupters.
- (29) The bellows are burned, the lead is consumed of the fire; the founder melteth in vain: for the wicked are not plucked away.
- (30) Reprobate silver shall *men* call them, because the LORD hath rejected them.

Leviticus 19:4

(4) **Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods**: I *am* the LORD your God.

Leviticus 26:1,30

- Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up a standing image, neither shall ye set up *any* image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for <u>L am the LORD your God</u>.
- (30) And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your images, and cast your carcasses upon the carcasses of your idols, and <u>my soul shall abhor you</u>.

Psalm 135:15

(15) The idols of the heathen are silver and gold, the work of men's hands.

Isaiah 2:8

(8) Their land also is full of idols; <u>they worship the work of their own hands</u>, that which their own fingers have made:

Revelation 13:11-15

- (11) And **I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth**; and he had two horns like a lamb, and **he spake as a dragon** [THIS IS THE FALSE PROPHET THAT IS YET TO COME].
- (12) And he exercise thall the power of the first beast [THE ANTICHRIST] before him, and cause th the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.
- (13) And <u>he</u> doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,
- (14) And <u>deceiveth them that dwell on the earth</u> by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; <u>saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image</u> [AN IDOL; A "STATUE," THE "LIKENESS" AND "RESEMBLANCE" OF THE ANTICHRIST all words in quotes are the Greek word's definition used for "image," according to Strong's Concordance/Dictionary] <u>to the beast</u>, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.
- (15) And <u>he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image</u> <u>of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not</u> <u>worship the image of the beast should be killed</u>.

SO, the point of all of that is to convey what God thinks about idolatry, and about "artificers in brass and iron" – which are also "offerings from the ground," as Cain offered of the fruit of the ground and was "a tiller of the ground."

So then, Lamech did something that he felt in his heart that he had to do:

Cain was the great-great-great-great-great-great-great-grandfather of Tubal-cain, but Cain lived a long life like the others of that time (Methusaleh lived 969 years).

In fact, Cain had been able to beget Enoch, and Enoch lived long enough to beget Irad within Enoch's 365 years before God took him (see Genesis 5:23-24), who begat Mehujael, who begat Methusael/Methusaleh; Methusaleh having been born to Enoch by Mehujael, Enoch's wife (and daughter – see Genesis 5:21-22).

THEREFORE, Tubal-cain, the great-great-great-great-great-great-great-grandson of Cain, was born within the time of Enoch's life of 365 years; moreover, he was the grandson of Methusaleh, who was born 65 years into Enoch's life. SO THEN, Tubal-cain was born to Lamech by Zillah within 65 years of Enoch's lifespan, and Cain begat Enoch, as I've already showed and declared to you!

Now, therefore, consider all of this, which follows, in the context of that same timeframe:

Tubal-cain was the "Offspring of Cain," by the meaning of his name, simply because he was Cain's great-great-great-great-great-great-grandson all in the span of Enoch's 65 years unto begetting Methuselah. There had been a whole lot of sexual relations happening amongst the very young in the earliest times – given this very timeline to evidence that – and that would only add to the unrighteousness and wickedness that brought the flood of Noah.

However, back to the subject at hand (Genesis 4:23-24, that is), for the moment:

Cain was very upset about the judgment that God had placed upon him for killing Abel, as he had become fearful of having someone else kill him, since he was banished from the Garden of Eden. See here:

Genesis 4:9-14

- (9) And the LORD said unto Cain, Where *is* Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: *Am* I my brother's keeper?
- (10) And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.
- (11) And now *art* thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;
- (12) When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.
- (13) And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can bear.

(14) Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, *that* <u>every one that findeth me shall slay me</u>.

So, what did God answer Cain for that remark?

Here is the promise of God to Cain:

Genesis 4:15-16

(15) And the LORD said unto him, Therefore <u>whosoever slayeth Cain</u>, <u>vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold</u>. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

(16) And **Cain went out from the presence of the LORD**, and **dwelt** in the land of Nod, **on the east of Eden**.

Thus, this THIRD SECRET is revealed in all of that:

Genesis 4:23-24

(23) And <u>Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah</u>, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for <u>I have slain</u> a man to my wounding, <u>and</u> a young man to my hurt.

(24) If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.

Herein is what is being said by Lamech:

Lamech was disgusted with what Cain had been doing and teaching his descendent, Tubal-cain, to do; and Lamech ALSO, contrarily, had had the sure witness and testimony of the righteousness of God that had been instilled in his grandfather, Enoch, who "walked with God" (despite his relations with his own kin)! Similarly, he'd had the witness of the upbringing of his own two sons by Adah, his wife, who bore Jabal and Jubal, who were righteously living unto God, that was steadfastly lived out before his eyes, and by his own tutelage!

Having witnessed the contrast in their lives, and thus becoming "righteously indignant" against Cain for his wickedness in teaching Tubal-cain, Lamech's son, how to be an idolater, and leading him to worship false gods, Lamech, therefore, "slew a man to his hurt;" this was evidenced in that the decree of God had been stated by God, Himself, that vengeance would be taken on whomever would slay Cain; resultantly, God had stated that sevenfold of the judgment that befell Cain for slaying Abel would befall that person that killed Cain! THAT WAS TO LAMECH'S WOUNDING!

Furthermore, Lamech had three sons: Jabal, Jubal, and Tubal-cain.

Jabal and Jubal worshipped, served, and sacrificed (for sin) unto the Lord from his flocks, likely of sheep (like Abel had done); but Tubal-cain worshipped false deities, making idols unto them. So, Zillah's son, Tubal-cain, was the "young man" that Lamech slew "TO [LAMECH'S] HURT" – **because Tubal-cain was Lamech's OWN SON!**

Thus, Lamech had killed Cain, and he'd also killed his own son, both so doing so as to raise his own son, Noah, in the fear and admonition of the Lord God... AND so as to end the wickedness in the family lineage of Cain! THEREFORE DID LAMECH SAY, AFTER DOING ALL OF THAT:

Genesis 4:24

- (23) And <u>Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah</u>, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for <u>I have slain</u> a man to my wounding, <u>and</u> a young man to my hurt.
- (24) If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.

Interestingly, Lamech had a daughter, Naamah, as well, who was also the daughter of Zillah, the mother of Tubal-cain, whom he had slain:

Genesis 4:22

(22) And **Zillah, she also bore Tubal-cain**, an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron: and **the sister of Tubal-cain** *was* **Naamah**.

In Lamech, there was a son, born to either Adah or to Zillah, named Noah.

In Noah was found (a) the experience of his father Lamech, and (b) all of the family's history and its lives having lived out the contrast of righteousness and godliness with that of sin, wickedness, rebellion against God, worship of other (false) gods, and murder.

Therefore, Noah became, by choice, a "preacher of righteousness" who warned mankind of the righteous judgment of God that he had learned would come... because NOAH WALKED WITH GOD JUST LIKE ENOCH HAD!

Genesis 6:5-9

- (5) And <u>GOD</u> [<u>AND NOAH BY GOD</u>, WHOM HE WALKED WITH] <u>saw</u> that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually.
- (6) And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and <u>it grieved him</u> <u>at his heart</u>.
- (7) And **the LORD said**, **I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth**; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.
- (8) But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.
- (9) These are the generations of Noah: <u>Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations</u>, and <u>Noah walked with God</u>.

Therefore, God told us the following, by His Word, regarding Noah:

Hebrews 11:7

(7) By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which <u>he</u> <u>condemned the world</u>, and <u>became heir of the righteousness which is by</u> <u>faith</u>.

1Peter 3:18-20

- (18) For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by **the Spirit**:
- (19) By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;
- (20) <u>Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God</u> <u>waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing</u>, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

(The spirits in prison were human beings that had been, in physical apparency, unbelievers, yet had believed in their hearts what Noah had said about the ark sparing them from a great flood that would destroy the earth; and all those people – who had come to the ark, pounding on the door after the Lord shut it, and who had likewise begged Noah to let them into the ark – died being believers for their disobedience.

They'd died the natural death, but they'd lived by faith in the spiritual life resultant of the righteous judgment of God concerning their eternal state. So, Christ came to them in hell and preached peace to them, and He'd given them the chance to receive Him, AND to receive the GRACE that Noah and Enoch had both encountered, who had both walked with God.

The end result was that the people were disobedient to get into the ark to be spared, for fear of the people who had hurled their insults at Noah (for building the ark before there had ever been a drop of rain)... but, when the rain actually began to fall, they became believers, openly, and thus ran to the ark to be saved; but they died in the flesh by the flood waters despite their pleadings, simply because they were afraid to stand with Noah, and thus with God, Himself.

Thus it shall be when the first Rapture takes place:

There will be the Remnant of believers who get to escape all the horrible things that are befalling the people of the world; but contrarily, there will be those who "rode the fence" of "believing but not following the Lord" that will have seen the Remnant caught up into the clouds - like Enoch was – and they, likewise, will pound down the doors of every Church building and place of worship, and every home of every believer that has been taken up into the clouds, in order to find out how to be saved when that has occurred!

AT THAT FIRST RAPTURE EVENT, THERE WILL BE THE GREATEST REVIVAL THAT HAS EVER BEEN SEEN BY HUMANKIND!!!)

Here is more of what the Lord had to say about Noah in the New Testament: Matthew 24:37-42

(37) But <u>as the days of Noah *were*</u>, <u>so shall also the coming of the Son of man</u> <u>be</u>.

(38) For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark,

- (39) <u>And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be</u>.
- (40) Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.
- (41) Two *women shall be* grinding at the mill; the <u>one shall be taken, and the other</u> <u>left</u>.
- (42) <u>Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.</u>

and:

Luke 17:24-27

- (24) For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven, shineth unto the other part under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day.
- (25) **But first must he** suffer many things, and **be rejected of this generation**.
- (26) <u>And as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man</u>.
- (27) They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, <u>until</u> <u>the day that Noah entered into the ark</u>, <u>and the flood came, and</u> <u>destroyed them all</u>.

and finally, ending now where we began:

2Peter 2:1-9

- But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be <u>false</u> <u>teachers among you</u>, who privily <u>shall bring in damnable heresies</u>, even <u>denying the Lord that bought them</u>, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.
- (2) And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.
- (3) And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.
- (4) **For if God** spared not the angels that sinned, but cast *them* down to hell, and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;
- (5) And <u>spared not the old world</u>, <u>but saved Noah</u> the eighth *person*, <u>a preacher</u> <u>of righteousness</u>, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;
- (6) And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes condemned *them* with an overthrow, making *them* an example unto those that after should live ungodly;
- (7) And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:
- (8) (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds);
- (9) <u>The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations</u>, <u>and to</u> <u>reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished</u>:

I am going to end this Message with one bit of speculation and conjecture, but first, let me share these verses with you from Genesis, Chapter 9:

Genesis 9:18-27

- (18) And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth: and <u>Ham *is* the father of Canaan</u>.
- (19) These are the three sons of Noah: and of them was the whole earth overspread.
- (20) And Noah began to be an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard:
- (21) And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent.

- (22) And <u>Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and</u> told his two brethren without.
- (23) And **Shem and Japheth took a garment**, and laid *it* upon both their shoulders, and went backward, **and covered the nakedness of their father**; and their faces *were* backward, and **they saw not their father's nakedness**.
- (24) And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him.
- (25) And <u>he said, Cursed be Canaan</u>; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren.
- (26) And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant.
- (27) God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant.

It was Canaan that was cursed; but it was Ham, the father of Canaan, that had done the act of seeing Noah's naked body, and of then trying to get Shem and Japheth, his older brothers, to witness him naked, too.

I believe that there was a throwback to Lamech cutting short the lives of Cain and Tubalcain, for which Canaan was cursed:

Tubal-cain's sister, Naamah, was mentioned, but nothing was said about her. That is interesting to me!

Remember that Noah found grace in the eyesight of the Lord, and that resulted in the saving of Noah's entire house!

There were 3 sons born to Noah, and the Word speaks that there was a wife of Noah, plus three sons, and three sons' wives, all that were spared the flood and were taken to safety, from the floodwaters, within the ark, along with Noah:

Genesis 7:7,13

- (7) And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.
- (13) In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark;

I don't believe that Noah took Tubal-cain's sister to wife, primarily because of Genesis 6:9; look here:

Genesis 6:9

(9) These *are* the generations of Noah: <u>Noah was</u> a just man *and* <u>perfect in his</u> <u>generations</u>, *and* Noah walked with God.

I cannot believe that one who was perfect in the generations of that time, right before the flood, could have chosen the sister of Tubal-cain to wife... but I WOULDN'T put it past one of his sons to have done so!

I believe that Naamah was Ham's wife, and that she had been one of the wives that had been saved because of Noah saving his entire household:

Hebrews 11:7

(7) By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark <u>to the saving of his house</u>; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.

This was a similar experience in Acts, Chapter 16, with Paul and Silas in the prison:

Acts 16:25-33

- (25) And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.
- (26) And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed.
- (27) And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled.
- (28) But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here.
- (29) Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas,
- (30) And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?
- (31) And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, <u>and thy house</u>.
- (32) And <u>they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in</u> <u>his house</u>.
- (33) And <u>he</u> took them <u>the same hour of the night</u>, and washed <u>their</u> stripes; and <u>was baptized</u>, <u>he and all his</u>, straightway.

The Promise is still to you AND TO YOUR ENTIRE HOUSEHOLD – ALL YOUR LIVING DESCENDENTS – OF BEING SAVED BY THE GRACE OF THE LORD, WHICH EVEN NOAH KNEW!!!

Here are the final reasons I believe that Ham's wife was Naamah, who had probably also been corrupted by the influence of Cain, and by Tubal-cain, her brother:

First of all, the land of Canaan was the land that the Israelites dispossessed from the Canaanite people, and those with them:

Deuteronomy 7:1

(1) When the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, **and the Canaanites**, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou;

Joshua 14:1

(1) And these *are the countries* **which the children of Israel inherited in the land of Canaan**, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, distributed for inheritance to them.

We must also see that it was not only Canaan-land that was cursed, but Egypt, also:

Exodus 3:7-8

- (7) And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;
- (8) And I am come down to deliver them <u>out of the hand of the Egyptians</u>, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; <u>unto the place of the Canaanites</u>, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

Now, we must see why Egypt is also of interest herein:

Genesis 10:6

(6) And the sons of Ham; Cush [present-day Ethiopia], and <u>Mizraim</u> [the name, at that time, <u>for present-day Egypt</u>], and Phut [present-day Libya], and Canaan [the land of Israel, present-day].

The point herein – that I am inferring is further evidence that Ham had taken Naamah as his wife – was simply that THE DESCENDENTS OF <u>TWO</u> <u>SONS</u> WERE CURSED, <u>NOT JUST CANAAN</u>! THE LAND OF EGYPT, UNDER THE PHAROAH OF THAT TIME, WAS DESTROYED, AND THAT BY THE JUDGMENTS OF GOD DECREED AT THE WORDS OF MOSES!!!

I don't believe that solely because of these evidences. There is one more thing that sparks my curiosity as to whether that is the case, or not (again, this is mere speculation and conjecture, but with Scriptural reasons to consider that):

The name Naamah means "pleasantness" – which, in and of itself, doesn't sound any alarms, but may actually seem to say that she is a pleasant person of sorts, right?

Well, here is the clincher:

The name Naamah is derived from the Hebrew word "na'am" – which means "PLEASURE!"

I believe Naamah was mentioned as a sister of Tubal-cain to allude to her dark influence in the lives of the family members of Noah... AND to their progeny after them! THE WHOLE WORLD, THEREBY, WAS INFLUENCED BY THIS BEING BROUGHT FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE FLOOD INTO THE NEW WORLD!!!

"PLEASURE" – SEXUAL SIN – SODOM AND GOMORRAH – SAMSON AND DELILAH, DAVID AND BATHSHEBA/BATHSHUA, RAHAB, MARY MAGDALENE, 1 CORINTHIANS 10; see here:

1Corinthians 10:2-14

(2) And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;

- (3) And did all eat the same spiritual meat;
- (4) And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.
- (5) But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.
- (6) <u>Now these things were *our* examples, to the intent *we* should not lust <u>after evil things, as they also lusted</u>.</u>
- (7) *Neither be ye idolaters*, as *were* some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.
- (8) <u>Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell</u> <u>in one day three and twenty thousand</u>.
- (9) Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.
- (10) Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer.
- (11) Now all these things happened unto them for examples: and <u>they are</u> written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.
- (12) Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.
- (13) **There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man**: but God *is* faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*.
- (14) Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry.

Then there is likewise this:

1Corinthians 6:15-20

- (15) Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? <u>shall I then</u> <u>take the members of Christ, and make them the members of a harlot?</u> God forbid.
- (16) What? <u>know ye not that he which is joined to a harlot is one body? for</u> <u>two, saith he, shall be one flesh</u>.
- (17) But <u>he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit</u>.
- (18) *Flee fornication*. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; *but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body*.
- (19) What? <u>know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which</u> <u>is in you</u>, which ye have of God, and <u>ye are not your own</u>?
- (20) For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

Finally, take heed of these final words of God's Wisdom:

2Peter 2:13-15

- (13) And *shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time*. Spots *they are* and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you;
- (14) <u>Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling</u> <u>unstable souls</u>: <u>a heart they have exercised with covetous practices;</u> <u>cursed children</u>:
- (15) <u>Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray</u>, following the way of Balaam *the son* of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;

and this:

Hebrews 11:24-27

- (24) By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;
- (25) Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, <u>than to</u> <u>enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;</u>
- (26) <u>Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in</u> <u>Egypt</u>: for <u>he had respect unto the recompense of the reward</u>.
- (27) **By faith he forsook Egypt**, not fearing the wrath of the king: **for he endured**, **as seeing him who is invisible**.

And lastly, there are these words of exhortation... and PROMISE:

Romans 6:19-23

- (19) I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity [that is, weakness] of your flesh: <u>for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness</u> <u>and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants</u> <u>to righteousness unto holiness</u>.
- (20) For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness.
- (21) What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? <u>for</u> <u>the end of those things is death</u>.
- (22) But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, <u>ye</u> <u>have your fruit unto holiness</u>, <u>and the end everlasting life</u>.
- (23) For the wages of sin *is* death; *but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord*.

I PRAY THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AS SAVIOR <u>AND LORD</u> OF YOUR OWN LIFE – TODAY, RIGHT NOW, IF YOU HAVEN"T MADE HIM THE FOCUS THAT YOUR EYES GAZE UPON, AND WHOM YOUR ENTIRE BEING CHOOSES, RIGHT NOW, TO FOLLOW!!!

IN JESUS' NAME, AMEN AND SO BE IT!!!

Blessings2u!!

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