

## The Book of Genesis

### Genesis 4:10

**10** The LORD said, “What have you done? Listen! Your brother’s blood cries out to me from the ground.

After Cain killed Abel – God called him to account

**11** Now you are under a curse and driven from the ground, which opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand.

God cursed Cain – not Adam or Eve

**12** When you work the ground, it will no longer yield its crops for you. You will be a restless wanderer on the earth.”

**13** Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is more than I can bear.

No remorse or repentance only about Cain’s welfare

**14** Today you are driving me from the land, and I will be hidden from your presence; I will be a restless wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me.”

Cain was driven from the land but not from God’s presence

Cain chose to go away from the presence of the Lord

**15** But the LORD said to him, “Not so; if anyone kills Cain, he will suffer vengeance seven times over.” Then the LORD put a mark on Cain so that no one who found him would kill him.

**16** So Cain went out from the LORD’s presence and lived in the land of Nod, east of Eden.

**17** Cain lay with his wife, and she became pregnant and gave birth to Enoch. Cain was then building a city, and he named it after his son Enoch.

We do not know how old Cain was when he married his wife

If it was long enough there would have been plenty of women from the

Long lives of Adam’s descendants

But early on the first marriages must have been to their sisters

Just as today, favorite names were used for many children

There was another Enoch – the seventh from Adam – in the

line of Seth (Gen 5:18)

From vs 17 through vs 22 we see the line of Cain and the

Fact that God blessed this ungodly line of men

It seems that Cain’s line seemed to use similar names to Seth’s line

Compare Adam's line through Seth and through Cain	
Adam	Adam
Seth	Cain
Enosh	Enoch
Kenan	Irada
Mahalalel	Mehujael
Jared	
Enoch	
Methuselah	Methushael
Lamech	Lamech
Noah	

#### Genesis 4

23 Lamech said to his wives, “Adah and Zillah, listen to me; wives of Lamech, hear my words. I have killed a man for wounding me, a young man for injuring me.

We first saw Lamech in verses 18 and 19

Apparently Lamech murdered a young man

The word here for “killed” is the same word used when Cain killed Abel

Lamech claims protection against an avenger like God provided Cain

Except Lamech claimed even more protection

24 If Cain is avenged seven times, then Lamech seventy-seven times.”

The world murders and sins

It also seeks special protection and does not confess its sins

25 Adam lay with his wife again, and she gave birth to a son and named him Seth, saying, “God has granted me another child in place of Abel, since Cain killed him.”

In place of righteous Abel

We assume that Seth had faith – his heart was right with God

Unlike the godless world of Cain that had grown up

From Genesis 4:25 to Genesis 5:32 we see the righteous line of Seth

26 Seth also had a son, and he named him Enosh. At that time men began to call on the name of the LORD.

Call on or to proclaim the name of the LORD

Witness or testify or preach

These stayed in the presence of the LORD – not like Cain

#### Genesis 5

**1** This is the written account of Adam's line. When God created man, he made him in the likeness of God.

The likeness of God is very special – no other creature like man  
This is the account of Adam's line through Seth

**2** He created them male and female and blessed them. And when they were created, he called them “man.”

**3** When Adam had lived 130 years, he had a son in his own likeness, in his own image; and he named him Seth.

In his own likeness = not in the likeness of God = not so very special  
Seth had a sin nature inherited from Adam  
Seth was not perfect but Seth's heart was right with God  
Seth had faith in God and God accounted it to him as righteousness  
He fathered the righteous line leading to Noah

**4** After Seth was born, Adam lived 800 years and had other sons and daughters.

**5** Altogether, Adam lived 930 years, and then he died.

Adam live 930 years

Both the Bible and the Sumerian King list from Mesopotamia record the  
Long lives of humans prior to the flood of Noah

Other than the obvious reason that God allowed this there is

A logical human reason for this in that there was no pollution or  
Poisons or genetic mutations at this early age of the earth

But as we read Genesis 5 we see the repeated phrase “and then he died”

### **Romans 6:23 – The wages of sin is death**

**23** For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Because of Adam's sin all mankind is slated to die physically  
And every person is born spiritually dead because of their sin nature  
But the gift of God is the granting of spiritual life and eternal life  
He causes us to be born again when we have faith in Jesus Christ

### **Hebrews 9:27–28 – Every person is destined to die physically once**

**27** Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment,

There is no second chance for salvation after physical death

Man is destined to die only once and then to be judged

But Christians will be judged by their Savior Who died for them

Non-Christians will be judged by the One who shed His blood to

provide the way to heaven for them but He was rejected by them

And just as every person dies once . . . .

**28** so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

Christ the Son of God was sacrificed only once to take away our sins  
That sacrifice was effective and powerful enough to take away the  
sins of all people on earth

But it will only be effective for those who have faith in Jesus Christ and  
Who ask Him to forgive their sins and to be their Lord and Savior

Jesus said He would come again and that will be in two parts

The first is what we call the Rapture to take all Christians off the earth and  
Take them back to heaven with Him in their resurrection bodies

The second is what we call His Second Coming of Christ at the end of  
The Great Tribulation

This will end the outpouring of God's wrath on sinful mankind and

It will usher in the 1000 year reign of Christ on earth (Millennium)

These two parts of His coming again are to bring salvation to His own

He came the first time to bear sin and to forgive sin – that is completed

He will come the second time to provide our completed salvation or

Our final redemption

## **Genesis 5**

**6** When Seth had lived 105 years, he became the father of Enosh.

**7** And after he became the father of Enosh, Seth lived 807 years and had other sons and daughters.

**8** Altogether, Seth lived 912 years, and then he died.

And then he died like all men – the penalty for sin

**9** When Enosh had lived 90 years, he became the father of Kenan.

**10** And after he became the father of Kenan, Enosh lived 815 years and had other sons and daughters.

**11** Altogether, Enosh lived 905 years, and then he died.

And then he died like all men – the penalty for sin

**12** When Kenan had lived 70 years, he became the father of Mahalalel.

**13** And after he became the father of Mahalalel, Kenan lived 840 years and had other sons and daughters.

**14** Altogether, Kenan lived 910 years, and then he died.

And then he died like all men – the penalty for sin

**15** When Mahalalel had lived 65 years, he became the father of Jared.

**16** And after he became the father of Jared, Mahalalel lived 830 years and had other sons and daughters.

**17** Altogether, Mahalalel lived 895 years, and then he died.

And then he died like all men – the penalty for sin

**18** When Jared had lived 162 years, he became the father of Enoch.

**19** And after he became the father of Enoch, Jared lived 800 years and had other sons and daughters.

**20** Altogether, Jared lived 962 years, and then he died.

And then he died like all men – the penalty for sin

**21** When Enoch had lived 65 years, he became the father of Methuselah.

**22** And after he became the father of Methuselah, Enoch walked with God 300 years and had other sons and daughters.

**23** Altogether, Enoch lived 365 years.

**24** Enoch walked with God; then he was no more, because God took him away.

And he did not die because he walked with God

God took Enoch away – like it will be in the Rapture ?

We might even assume that he was given his resurrection body

Enoch escaped the curse of death

**25** When Methuselah had lived 187 years, he became the father of Lamech.

This Lamech was the father of Noah (Genesis 5:29)

**26** And after he became the father of Lamech, Methuselah lived 782 years and had other sons and daughters.

**27** Altogether, Methuselah lived 969 years, and then he died.

This is the oldest age of any man in the Bible

But then he died like all men – the penalty for sin

**28** When Lamech had lived 182 years, he had a son.

**29** He named him Noah and said, “He will comfort us in the labor and painful toil of our hands caused by the ground the LORD has cursed.”

Many children were named based on their hope in God

Noah provided hope and comfort for those under the curse

**30** After Noah was born, Lamech lived 595 years and had other sons and daughters.

**31** Altogether, Lamech lived 777 years, and then he died.

And then he died like all men – the penalty for sin

**32** After Noah was 500 years old, he became the father of Shem, Ham and Japheth.

We will hear more about Noah later