

2. Jesus – The Promised Seed

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I. The Message of Genesis 3:15

1. **Message of _____ for mankind:** Before pronouncing judgment on the man or woman, God promises a future deliverance.
2. **Message concerning two seeds or descendants or offspring.**
 - a) Seed is singular and can be understood as referring to an _____ or, in the collective sense, to a _____ of descendants.
 - b) **Seed of the woman:** Children of _____
 - c) **Seed of the Serpent:** Children of the _____ (John 8:44)
3. **Message about the _____ that will exist between the two seeds:** The word “enmity” carries the idea of a life and death struggle between two fighters.
4. **Message of _____ for the Devil:** His head will be crushed. The location of the blow serves to emphasize the severity of the blow.
5. **Message about a _____ who will come through the seed (offspring) of the woman.** The serpent targeted the woman and caused her to sin bringing ruin on the human race. God’s plan is to reverse the effects of the fall by destroying the serpent through the woman’s offspring.
6. **Message about a MAN who through _____ will crush Satan’s head.**

B. Conclusion

1. The Bible invites us on a journey, a journey that traces the seed of the woman. The question should be asked, “Does God give any indication in his Word as to who is carrying the seed which will crush the serpent’s head?”

II. Tracing the Seed of the Woman

1. **Genesis 4:1** not _____
2. **Genesis 4:25** but _____
 - a) Genesis 5 gives Adam’s genealogy tracing the seed of the woman down to Noah. This is one of

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the reasons why genealogies are so important. They are there to remind man that God is keeping His _____ and will bring about the seed of the woman.

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3. **Genesis 9:18-27; 11:10-32** _____, _____, or _____

4. **Genesis 12:3; 17:7-8** Abraham is chosen to carry on the “woman’s seed”. Not only is the seed traced, it is further explained. Not only will this seed crush Satan’s head but the seed will bring _____ to all nations.

5. **Genesis 21:12** _____ or _____

6. **Genesis 25:21-23** _____ or _____

7. **Genesis 49:8-10** Which of the twelve? _____

8. **Ruth 4:18-22** It’s not just a nice story but it gives a context in which the seed of the woman can be traced.

9. **1 Samuel 9:1-2; 17** not _____

10. **1 Samuel 16:1-13; 2 Samuel 7:12-16** Again, the promise of Gen. 3:15 is expanded. God promises David a seed (offspring) whose _____ and house will be established by God forever.

11. **Fall of Israel & Judah:** Yes God’s judgment is coming on Israel & Judah because they have forsaken God’s covenant. And yet for all of this judgment, God will keep his promise given in Gen. 3:15. There is a _____ growing around this seed of the woman. He is beginning to take on personality and character. You find in the prophets a growing intensity concerning the coming Messiah, the seed of the woman.

12. **Micah 5:2-5** He will come from _____ & He will be from everlasting.

13. **Isaiah 7:14** _____ will conceive: The child will be “God with us”.

14. **Isaiah 9:6-7** Name will be wonderful counselor, mighty God, eternal father, prince of peace. Again he will sit on _____ throne. God will do it!

15. **Isaiah 11:1-5** A shoot will spring from the stump of Jesse- the Spirit of the Lord will rest on him.

16. **Isaiah 42:1-3** He will bring _____ to the earth. He will not cry out or raise his voice.

17. **Isaiah 52:13-53** He will suffer and die for man’s sins.

18. **Jeremiah 31:31-37** The promised seed is as sure as the covenant with _____.

19. **Ezekiel 37:24-28** He will be a shepherd and make a covenant of peace.

20. **Zechariah 9:9** He will present himself to Jerusalem as king by riding on a donkey. This passage in Zech. 9:9 was firmly connected in Jewish minds with the coming of the Messiah.

21. **Malachi 4:1-3** He is still coming...

22. **Matthew 1:1-18**

III. Applications

A. ***God will always be _____ to his Word.***

B. ***History from God's perspective centers upon his plan of redemption.***

1. The focus of God's _____ and _____ is on the seed or offspring of the woman! If we want our lives to be lived in the center of God's purposes, then our lives must be focused on what God is focused on!

2. Where are we living our lives?

a) Are we living them in the margins, indifferent, ignorant, or antagonistic to God's plan of salvation?

b) Or have we joined God's great redemptive plan? Are we the seed of the woman that obeys God's commands and holds fast to the testimony of Jesus (Rev 12:17)?

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Next Week:

Read John 1:43-51 and Genesis 28:10-22. What parallels is Jesus drawing between himself and Jacob? How does Jacob's experience serve to shed light on Jesus' identity and mission?