

Genesis Curse on the Man

Mid-Week Instruction
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Man and the Physical World

- Modern civilization has an astonishing grasp on the physical world.
- Man has unlocked the genetic code to study DNA and repair DNA.
- Man has cloned animals, invented satellite communication, cell phones.
- Chemicals and computerization used for medical treatment.

Man and the Spiritual World

- It is amazing the absence of man's understanding of spiritual reality.
- Man has made virtually zero spiritual advancement.
- Man still can't resolve the issues of the human heart.
- Man doesn't understand why he is the way he is nor remedy his problems.

Man's Spiritual Condition

- Man is worse than he has ever been spiritually.
- The problem of evil, crime, dissatisfaction, disappointment, lack of fulfillment are rooted in man's spiritual condition.
- All the secular sources will not answer the question because they can't diagnose nor cure man's spiritual condition.

Understanding the Supernatural

- The only way to understand the supernatural is to turn to the Word of God.
- Man wants the Word of God out of the public realm.
- People who believe the Word of God appear to threaten those who are secular in their views.
- The word of God, prayer is banned in schools.

Genesis 3:6 – Romans 5:12

- In Adam the whole race died and the principle of death became operative in the world.
- This the spiritual revelation we have from God why things are the way they are.
- The world is the way it is because man is a dying sinner and that is why he behaves the way he behaves.
- Man can't remedy his own cure, nor can society.

Genesis 3 The Curses

- Gen. 3:14-15 The Serpent is cursed
- Gen. 3:16 The Woman's curse
- Gen. 3:17 The Man's curse.
- The woman's curse is in the area of her relationship to her husband and children.
- The home that God designed for the woman is her realm and sphere but she finds it particularly difficult in her relationships.

Gen. 3:17 - The Man's Realm

- The woman's difficulty is in relationship to FAMILY, the man's difficulty is in relationship to the FIELD.
- It is the work place, it now requires hard work, it requires toiling, it is work, work, work,
- The world is the field, the work place. Man struggles with the reality of sin when he goes out to the field or the work place.

The Cause of the Curse

- Gen. 3:17 – Because you listened and ate from the tree about which I commanded you.
- 1 Tim. 2:14 the man was not deceived. The woman was pulled out from under the man's protection and authority.
- Women have always had a great influence over men. Eve knew what God had said and so did Adam.

Act of Self-Exaltation

- Rather than the man showing her by example what was right obedience to God. He followed her example of disobedience.
- Rather than honoring God he honored his wife who rather than honoring God honored Satan.
- Adam wasn't ignorant, or confused, he did what Eve wanted, rather than what God wanted them to do. It was deliberate self willed, premeditated act of the will.

God's Indictment to Man

- Willful disregard to God's clear word. Pre-meditated willful disregard for God.
- Failure to glorify the God they were called to honor and obey.
- Failure to find in God the highest love and purest delight and greatest joy.
- Failure to be the head of the union between himself and the woman.

Man's Curse – Gen. 3:17-18

- The ground is cursed, Man is Adamah because he comes from the ground.
- Man draws his life from the ground. Everything we eat comes out of the ground or survives by way of the ground.
- The man now suffers in the place of labor and the battle for bread and wages.
- The ground that provides for man is not going to submit to him willfully.

Life Becomes Hard Work

- The joy of the paradise is gone. The ground is now his enemy he has to subdue the earth.
- The ground produces thorns, thistles, once all man had to do was pick the produce.
- The ground is now plagued with problems, it will take effort to get what man needs to live.
- Man's ability will be needed to sustain life for his family from the ground.

Man's Labor Pain

- Ps. 127:2 Man will eat and provide for his family but not without great effort and toil.
- Proverbs 16:26 Man will have to work because of his appetite and hunger. Proverbs. 5:10, 10:22, 24:23
- Ecc. 2:11 Man's life will be one of work. And Working will lead to more work.
- In toil you will eat all the days of your life.

Sweat, Labor, Work

- This for man will define his life. Life is work and work is life.
- Everything man gains from the earth will come by hard work. Even when man doesn't work he will live on the work that others do.
- Man's place is to work and provide for the family and to endure the tough life.

1 Peter 3:7

- Man lives in a hostile world that manifest itself in social relationships in three primary areas.
- The areas are government, the work place and family. So in the work place man must submit to authority.
- In the arena of social relationship or marriage man must learn to submit and treat his wife without indifference.
- Man must learn to give consideration to his wife.

The Man's Responsibility

- The woman must be protected and provided for.
- The woman must be nourished and cherished.
- The husband must seek to maintain deep intimacy with his wife and there must be sensitivity to all of her needs.
- There must be companionship as the husband and wife live as fellow heirs to the grace of God.
- There must be communion, friendship and partnership.

