

The Roots of Nations

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Oakbrook Community Church (PCA)

Genesis 9:18-10:32

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Effects of Fall – still present after flood

- Man is still a sinner & easily fall into sin. Though Noah was righteous (Gen 6:15; Ezek 14:13-14; 2 Pet 2:5) he still sinned.
- Even the most godly are prone to sin – even you!
- Past godliness does NOT guarantee future godliness. We must strive to walk with God, not rest on past: Gal 5:16

Original audience brings meaning to passage:

- Just as Adam & Eve were found to be naked, Noah was found to be naked and in need of a covering
- The effects of Adam's sin impacted his children, the effects of Noah's sin impacted his children
 - Ham's response to Noah's sin (1 Cor 13:6)
- Shem & Japheth's response to Noah's sin (Prov 17:9)

Lessons for Israel:

- repetition of Canaan teaches (9:18, 22, 25, 10:6)
- Canaan possesses the promised 'land' (Josh 3:7-10)
- Continuing conflict between 'seeds' (Gen 3:15) - Canaan is part of ungodly line opposed to Shem
- More than just 'prophecy' against Canaan – their own wickedness (Gen 15:7-16; Lev 18:3) caused judgment

Lessons for Today:

1 Cor 10:11-12

- God's pattern of blessing is on those who obey Him and cursing on those who disobey Him.
- Be careful NOT to allow a family member's sin to trigger sin in YOU! (1Pt 2:20-24) Respond to sin w/ Christ's grace!
- Don't just play the 'Christian' game if you are from a godly home
- Honor your parents – even when they fail – they will sin. Eph 6:1-3
- Remember God's grace available to ALL people - Gen 9:27; Jn 1:12-13. Remember Rahab (Josh 1-7).
- Hope of Gospel: Rom 1:16-17; Gal 3:7

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