SCRIPTURE: Luke 3:21-4:4; Genesis 5:1-11; 21-32 SERMON: <u>The Genealogy of Jesus the Son of God!</u> 27 December 2009

## INTRODUCTION: <u>GENEALOGIES IN THE BIBLE</u> (see 20Dec09 sermon)

- A. LINEAR OR SEGMENTED (Adam's family, Gen.5 or Table of Nations, Gen.10; combination, 1Chr.6)
- **B. CONTINUUM OR CONTRAST** (continuum Jacob's, Gen 35; contrast Esau's, Gen.36)
- C. PURPOSEFUL, INTERPRETED vs. RAW DATA (2Pt1:20 /relation,heir,rights&duties; Ruth4:5,10; Ro8:17)
- D. ORGANIZATIONAL FLOWCHART: DELEGATION OF RIGHTS & DUTIES (e.g., Smythe & Sons)
- E. GENEALOGIES IN MATTHEW & LUKE: DIFFERENT LINES TO SAME END (Mt.1:1f; Lk.3:23f)

#### I. LUKE'S GENEALOGY (Lk.3:23-38)

- A. LEGAL RELATIONSHIP: AS WAS SUPPOSED (i.e., inheritance; Lk.3:23; 1:26; see Mt.1:16,18f)
- **B. PURPOSEFUL SELECTION: MANKIND** (Lk.3:38; contrast Mt.1:1,17)
- C. PURPOSEFUL DIRECTION: ASCENDING (Lk.3:23f; see Mt.1:1, contrast 1:2f, 17)
- **D. PURPOSEFUL POSITION: HEIR TO OFFICE** (Lk.3:22 w/23f,38; compare Mt.1:1,17; see 1Sam.16:13)
- **E. PURPOSEFUL INCLUSION: NATHAN** (Lk.3:31; contrast Mt.1:6; see 2Sam.5:14 = or // 7:2f; 12:1f)

### II. LESSONS FOR FAITH

- **A. THE SON OF GOD** (3:22/(23); 38; see 4:3 $\rightleftharpoons$ (7)  $\Leftarrow$ 9; see 1:32,35; 2:49; 4:41; 22:70; see 10:22,33f; 22:29; 24:49; see Jn.1:14,18; Col.1:15; 2:9; Heb.1:3; Phil.2:5f; i.e., incarnation of the Eternal Son)
- **B. THE SON OF THE MOST HIGH** (Lk.3:22-38; see 1:32,35,76; (6:35); 8:28; see Gen.14:18f; Num.24:16f6:35; Dan.3:26,etc.; see Lk.4:3,9; 41; Acts 16:17)
- C. A LEGITIMATE CLAIM TO THE OFFICE OF SON OF GOD (Lk.3:21,22 $\Rightarrow$ 23-38 $\Leftrightarrow$ 4:1f; see Ex.6:12f $\Rightarrow$ 14-25 $\Leftrightarrow$ 30f)
- **D. ANOINTED TO POSSESS THE PROMISE THROUGH ADAM** (see Gal.3:16; see Gen.3:15; 4:26; 5:1f,29; (Ex.33:14; 2Sam.7:11); Mt.11:28; Lk.4:18-20; contrast Ezra 2:61f; Neh.7:61f; see 12/20/09 sermon; promises to Abraham, David, exiles)
- E. APPOINTED KINSMAN-REDEEMER OF HUMAN RACE (Lk3:23f; see Ruth3:12; 4:1f; Jn3:16; Acts4:12)
- F. INHERITS, POSSESSES AND PERFECTS HUMAN NATURE (Lk.1:35; 3:22f; Jn.8:29; Heb.5:8; Phil.2:8; see Rom.8:29; Eph.4:13)
- **G. FULFILLS MANDATE TO ADAM** (Gen.1:26f; Ps.2:8; Mt.28:18f; Acts 2:33f; Col.1:15f; 1Cor.6:3)
- H. ANOINTED PROPHET FOR THE WORLD (Lk.3:22,31; 4:18f; Jn.1:1f; see Heb.1:1f)
- I. COMPARISION WITH MATTHEW'S GENEALOGY
  - 1. Matthew: from Jews, for nations (Mt1:21; 2:1f; Jn4:22 /Gen12:1f; Ps2:8; 72:8; Is42:6f; 49:6f; 60:1f /Mt1:3f)
  - 2. Luke: from mankind, for mankind (Gen.3:15; 5:1f,2)

# III. <u>LESSONS FOR LIFE</u>

- **A. JESUS IS ONE OF US: FROM US & FOR US!** (Lk3:23f; see Jn1:14f; Phil.2:5f; Col.2:9; Heb2:17; 10:4f)
- **B. JESUS IS ONE** *FOR ALL***!** (Lk.3:23f; Jn.3:16; Act 1:8; 4:12; 11:18; 13:46f; Eph.2:11f; 1Tm.2:7)
- **C.** *COME* **TO HIM AND** *FIND REST* **FOR YOUR SOUL!** (Gen.3:15; 4:26; 5:1f,29; Mt.11:28; Lk.4:18-20; see Is.42:6; 49:6; 60:3; Jn.1:4; 8:12; 9:5; Rev.21:24; Mt.2:1f; see Jn.3:16,17/18f; Ps.2:12)

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE, FAMILY AND SMALL GROUP FELLOWSHIP

**Suggestions**: Don't feel obliged to use every question or every part of every question. Go through and discuss those that are of greatest **interest** to you. Then consider going back and discussing those that may also be **useful**, including those that may have seemed a bit difficult. In all questions, keep the outline before to identify entries relevant to the question and to look up appropriate verses listed.

- 1. What most surprised, puzzled or impressed you from this sermon?
- 2. What was most helpful? Why? How will you apply it in your daily life?
- 3. What Scripture references were most helpful and why?
- 4. What are the primary doctrinal points of this passage? Do you believe these things?
- 5. What are the primary *practical* points? Do you do *these* things?
- 6. What are the *different kinds* of genealogies in the Bible?
- 7. What is the *basic purpose* of a genealogy in the Bible?
- 8. What is the point of *Luke's* genealogy? How does the *context*, before and after the genealogy, confirm this?
- 9. Which ones of the observations on Luke's genealogy were most striking to you? Why?
- 10. What is Luke's purpose in his unusual arrangement of an *ascending* genealogy (from last to first)?
- 11. What office does the genealogy demonstrate? Who in the OT is confirmed in office in this way?
- 12. What promise does Jesus inherit according to Luke's genealogy?
- 13.Others before him just passed on this promise (e.g., Noah). How does Jesus *possess* this promise?
- 14. What should we do in response to the significance of Luke's genealogy?