

I. GENEALOGIES

A. ENDLESS GENEALOGIES: SPECULATION (1Tm.1:4)

B. MEANINGFUL GENEALOGIES: INTERPRETATION (2Pt.1:20f; see Mt.1:1-17)

II. CLEAR MEANING OF BIBLICAL GENEALOGIES: INHERITANCE (Ezr.2:62; Ruth 4:5)

A. GENESIS 5: ALL GENERATIONS BORN IN SIN & DEATH (see Rom.5:12; 1Cor.15:22; Eph.2:1f)

B. GENESIS 10: ALL NATIONS FROM ONE MAN (see Acts 17:26; Mal.2:10; Mt.22:39; Jms.3:9f)

C. 1 CHRONICLES 1-9: WHOLE NATION SAVED TO WORSHIP & SERVE (see Ex.20:5; Rom.1:25; etc.; Mt.22:37f)

1. *made to worship & serve* (Gen.1-4,etc.; Rom.1:18f; Ps.100)

2. *chosen to worship & serve* (see Ex.7:16; 12:31; 19:6f(1Pt.2:19))

3. *returned to worship & serve* (1Chr6:1-81; 9:1f; 2Chr36:23,Ezra,Neh,Hagg,Zech /Num2; Mt28:17f; 22:37f)

4. *appointed to praise* (1Chr6:31f; 15:16f,22; 2Chr5:13; Num3; Eph5:19; Col.3:16; Heb13:15; Rev5:9f /1Pt2:9f)

D. MATTHEW 1: JESUS IS THE SAVIOR *FROM* THE JEWS (see Mt.16:16f; 26:63f; Jn.4:22; Mt.2:1f; Lk.2:4; see Gal.3:19,16f)

E. LUKE 3: JESUS IS THE SAVIOR *FOR* THE WORLD (see Jn.3:16f; 4:42; 10:16; 12:47; 1Tm.1:15; 1Jn.4:14; Acts 4:12; see Gal.3:19 w/Gen.12:3,etc.; Gen.3:15; Lk.3:38)

F. SUMMARY: LINEAGE IS LEGACY (land by family, Num.34:18f; office (priests, kings) by family, Ex.28:1; 2Sam.7:12f)

III. LESSONS IN LINEAGES

A. *BELIEVE* THAT JESUS IS THE MESSIAH: HEIR OF ALL THE PROMISES OF GOD (Gal.3:16f,19; 2Cor.1:20; Acts 2; see Gen.3:15; Gen.12:1f; 2Sam.7:12; see Mt.1:1-17; Lk.3:22-38)

B. *SEEK* YOUR INHERITANCE BY FAITH IN CHRIST (Mt.19:29; Acts 26:18; Rom.8:16f; 2Cor.1:20f; Col.1:12f; 3:24; Gal.3:18,29; Eph.1:11,14,18; 3:6; 5:5; Heb.2:13)

C. *WORSHIP* GOD FOR HIS SOVEREIGN CHOICES (Rom.11:33-36; chps.9-11; Eph.1:3f)

1. *of those THROUGH whom His salvation came* (Rom.9:7,13; see 1Chr.1-9; Mt.1:1f; Lk.3:22f)

2. *of those TO whom His salvation comes* (Rom.9:1f,11f,15f; yet see 10:11,13; see Eph.1:4f; 1Jn.4:19)

D. *FULFILL* YOUR PURPOSE: *WORSHIP & SERVE* (Ex.20:5; Rom.1:25; see Mt.22:37f; Lk.1:74; Col.1:12f; 3:16; see Ex.7:16; 12:31; 19:6f(1Pt.2:19))

E. *RECEIVE* YOUR INHERITANCE WITH *THANKSGIVING & FAITHFULNESS* (Gen.2:24; 1Kngs.21:3; Prov.19:14; Col.1:12f; *contra* Heb.12:16; Ezk.18:10f; Heb.13:7)

F. *RECEIVE* YOUR INHERITANCE WITH *REPENTANCE & FAITHFULNESS* (see Ezk.18:14f; Ps.78:8; 1Cor.10:6f)

G. *BESTOW* YOUR INHERITANCE WITH FAITHFULNESS (Ps.78:1f; Eph.6:4; Prov.1:8,etc.; 19:14; Col.1:25; 1Tm.4:14f)