

Elpis Israel

for Young People

Genesis 3:15 (part 3) – The Miracle Seed

Class 14

Review

Three Classes ago:

- We looked at how Adam and Eve partook of the tree of the knowledge of **GOOD** and **EVIL**
- We learned the **GOOD** was the pleasant things that seem **GOOD** to a man but the end thereof is **death** – which is the ultimate **EVIL** consequence.
- We learned that Adam and Eve’s eyes were **OPENED**
 - They became experienced in what they believed were **GOOD** things
 - They **KNEW** – **YADAH** – by experience as they had become partakers
- We also learned that there were three consequences from these:
 - fear
 - shame
 - concealment
- We also learned that “in Christ” these three things are removed.

Two Classes Ago:

- We looked at how **ADAM** and **EVE** had adopted the serpents thinking
- This ungodly thinking became something known as “**FLESH**”
- We saw how **EACH** of us has “**FLESH**” and it is constantly “warring against us”

Four Classes Ago:

- We looked at Jesus Christ struck “sin in the flesh” at it’s cause
Hebrews 2:14-18 *Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, **he also himself likewise took part of the same**; that **through death** he might **destroy him that had the power of death**, that is, the devil [diabalos]; And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.*

The Seed:

God’s solution to Man’s problem

Genesis 3:15 *And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.*

- A “seed of the woman” would eventually crush the head of the serpent
- This is a peculiar expression

Biblical algebra



A Virgin

- An unmarried woman is described in the bible by the phrase “a virgin”

The Seed

- The seed is traced through the father – not the mother
Genesis 15:4-6 *And, behold, the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall **come forth out of thine own bowels** shall be thine heir. And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, **So shall thy seed be.** And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.*

The Miracle Seed

Genesis 3:15 – a miracle expression:

- Genesis 3:15** *And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and **her seed**; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.*
- The seed is attributed to the man
 - Therefore this peculiar phrase indicates a miracle

Jesus Christ was a special creation

- Note the words of Micah:
Micah 5:2 *But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose **goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.***

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| Worksheet: The Miracle Promised Seed |
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Other Passages that paint the same picture

Isaiah 7:14 *Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a **sign**; Behold, a **virgin** shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.*

CONCORDANCE: 226 'owth { oth}

probably from 225 (in the sense of appearing); TWOT - 41a; n f
 AV - sign(s) 60, token(s) 14, ensign(s) 2, miracles 2, mark 1; 79

GK - 253 { אֹת } }

1) sign, signal

1a) a distinguishing mark

1b) banner

1c) remembrance

1d) miraculous sign

1e) omen

1f) warning

2) token, ensign, standard, miracle, proof

- For an unmarried woman to conceive is a miracle – something supernatural has to have taken place.

This is the exact situation Mary found herself in:

Luke 1:26-27 *And in the sixth month the angel **Gabriel** was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, **To a virgin espoused to a man** whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.*

- This is a young woman who is engaged – but not married, a virgin

The promise:

Luke 1:30-32 *And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God, behold, **thou shalt conceive in thy womb**, and **bring forth a son**, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and **shall be called the Son of the Highest**: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of **his father David**:*

Mary's question

Luke 1:34 *Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?*

- Mary – this is impossible – I'm not married
- I cannot have a child.

The Angel's Answer:

Luke 1:35 *And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Spirit shall come upon thee, and the **power of the Highest shall overshadow thee**: **therefore** also that holy thing which shall be born of thee **shall be called the Son of God**.*

- The Holy Spirit would overshadow her:
*Strongs: 1982 episkiazō { ep-ee-skee-ad'-zō }
from 1909 and a derivative of 4639; TDNT - 7:399,1044; v
AV - overshadow 5; 5
GK - 2173 { ἐπισκιάζω }
1) to throw a shadow upon, to envelop in a shadow, to overshadow*
- Illustration – flashlight onto a wall – to throw an image upon

The Image that was cast:

- The image that is cast is the "WORD OF GOD"
2 Peter 1:21 *For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but **holy men of God spake** as they were moved by the **Holy Spirit**.*
John 1:14 *And **the Word was made flesh**, and dwelt among us, (and **we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father**,) full of grace and truth.*

Note What The Angel Says Back in Luke

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This also goes back to the original promise in 2 Samuel 7

2 Samuel 7:12-14 *And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up **thy seed after thee**, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever. **I will be his father, and he shall be my son**.*
▪ Mary was of the seed of David – from the Tribe of Judah, his descendant

Not Limited to Jesus only

This is the exciting part of this We can be part of the SEED OF THE WOMAN

John 1:12-14 *But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.*

- **We have been given the power to become the sons of God!**
- They were not “of blood” – physical
- Not of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man (earthly)
- But OF GOD
- God wants us to be the word made flesh!

We are to be have an EVERLASTING ORIGIN TOO:

1 Peter 1:23-25 *Being born again (from above), not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.*

This is exactly what Christ taught Nicodemus

John 3:3-6 *Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, **Except a man be born again [from above],** he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother’s womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, **Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit,** he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. **That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.***

The process is clear:

James 1:18 *Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.*