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Lecture 3- Dispensationalism Innocence Part 2 and Conscience Part 1

The Dispensation of Innocence begins in Gen.1:26 and goes through 3:24.

I want you to see four things as we begin our review four main things by way of
introduction:
1. The Background- It began with the creation of man. Adam was innocent but
had not been tested. When he was tested, heand
2. The Responsibility or Stewardship- Adam and Eve were given the
responsibility of being fruitful and ruling over God's creation. In addition to that expectation, man was not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
3- There was judgment- Judgment was passed upon Adam and Eve because of sin.
a. Man began to die.
b. Adam and Eve were cast out of the garden.
c. The woman would have pain in d. There would be hard to produce the fruit of the land.
d. There would be hard to produce the fruit of the land.
Man was in favor with God and walked with God. That all changed with the fall. Man became at with God. Romans 8:7
It is obvious there was a big problem fellowshipping with God, because Adam and Eve tried to in the garden where they had previously had sweet fellowship with the Lord.
Why do we have to live in a world dominated by sin and Satan?
4- There was a Revelation. Genesis 3:15 says" "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."
This is the promise of a
God did pronounce judgment on Satan as well as Adam and Eve. The serpent had to go to its belly and crawl all the days of its life. As it moves forward it is crooked in the way it twists to move forward. How characteristic that is of Satan! He is a

liar, a crook, a deceiver and so many more unholy, derogatory things.

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What exists between the serpent's seed and the woman's seed?
What is the metaphorical offspring of the serpents seed?
God says that Satan will always be the of mankind. It follows that people who side with Satan will be at perpetual with God's born again people.
What chapter and verse has the first messianic prophecy? The second half of the verse gives two messianic prophecies concerning that Savior: The Hebrew word "bruise" (shoof) can mean "to crush."
It is clear that "the woman's seed" represents That is, the serpent will bite the heel of "the woman's seed."
Who is the offspring of the woman?(Matthew 1:25; Galatians 4:4; cf. Isaiah 7:14).
Being the <u>Son of Man</u> , He is the perfect r of humankind.
With the, Jesus "crushed" the devil's head, defeating him forever.
The crushing of the serpent's head was a picture of Jesus' triumph overand at the cross (cf. <u>John 12:31</u>).
The striking of the Messiah's heel was a picture of the wounding and death of Jesus on
The protoevangelium shows us that God always had the in mind and informed us of His plan as soon as sin entered the world.
What was the mission of Jesus in regard to the Devil's work?

The power of the Devil has been reduced and his weapons have been crippled. Satan is a mighty foe but he is no match to the almighty power of God.

The Dispensation of Conscience

This period is evident from Genesis 4:1 through Genesis 8:19. It spanned from the first verse in Genesis 4 to Genesis 8:14.

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Man is no longer without a knowledge of good and evil. He knows good and he knows evil, but often he finds himself under the dominion of the evil one and without strength or help to do good.

Why did God drive Adam and Eve from the garden?
Cain and Abel (Genesis 4) So far as the Bible record is concerned, Cain is Eve's first child and Abel is the second. One was a of the ground and the other was a of sheep.
Gen 4:1-4 God had unto Abel and his offering, but unto Cain and his offering He had not respect.
Why did God respect the offering of Abel and not Cain?
We notice also that the 6th and 7th verses of the fourth chapter of Genesis reveal the fact that God gave Cain a and even pointed out to him a sin offering which was lying at his door. (Heb.9:22). Why did Cain kill Abel? The answer is given in 1 John 3:12:
Here we find the first blood shed among the human race. It is also the beginning of the age-old conflict between evil and righteousness, which climaxed at the cross of Calvary where the evil heart of man satisfied itself by crucifying the righteous Son of God. "Men loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil" (John 3:19).
Cain and His Wife Gen 4:16-17 Who did Cain marry?
What was the judgment of the flood a picture of in the future?

Noah and the Ark

Noah, who was descended from Seth, found grace in the eyes of the Lord. He is spoken of as a "just man and perfect in his generations and as one who walked with God" (Genesis 6:8-9).

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The ark is a beautiful type of the Lord Jesus Christ, the ark of safety for whosoever will believe in Him during this age of grace. Notice how the ark had only one door and one window (Genesis 6:16). Compare John 10:9: "I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out and find pasture."

Noah, a preacher, of righteousness (<u>2 Peter 2:5</u>), stood by the door of the ark an preached the coming judgment and salvation through the ark unt	
Note: Noah's long ministry resulted in only seven conversions and they were of his ow household, yet he filled the place that God gave him to fill.	n
We need not fearWHY?	
God remembered Noah and all that were with him in the Ark. God caused the waters to be abated and the ark to rest on Mount	ıe
Noah, his wife, his three sons and their wives came forth from the ark and walke again on the earth that had been purged of of the race. The flood was God's judgment visited upon the human race because of i	ıe
Grace was mingled with the in that the ark was provided believe His testimony. When Noah and his family and a the living creatures came forth from the ark, a new dispensation was opened. The age of conscience was closed by the flood.	•

Next week we will get into more detail about the Dispensation of Conscience.