

Week 1: October 26, 2024

Shabbat Message

B'reisheet / In the Beginning / בראשית

- Genesis 1:1-6:8
- Isaiah 42:5-43:10
- Revelation 22:6-21

My Way or Yah's Way

The Way of Yehovah

Introduction

We finally start our Torah Cycle over for the year as we go into this cycle there are a few things I want us to ponder as we start our study this year afresh and we see our new series My Way or

Yahs Way lets think about which road we want to walk on Yehovah's road our our own road. In this portion we see the 7 days of creation and the beginning of Shabbat. We see the fall of man in the garden and the casting out of garden. We see the conclusion with Noah finding grace in the eyes of Yehovah.

Torah Portion

Genesis 4:1-10

1. Post Eden we see Adam and Chavah (Eve) his wife and it says she became pregnant.
We see the couple doing what Yehovah told them to do beings fruitful and multiply. She then gave birth to a man name Cain.
2. She then gave birth to Abel or Hevel which is really interesting because his name means to act emptily or become vain.
3. Cain became a farmer of produce meaning he tilled the earth that Yehovah told to till the Earth and Abel was a keeper of flocks and shepherd. After some time Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground to Yehovah.
4. Abel brought of the first born of his flock and their fat portions...Now Yehovah looked favorably upon Abel and his family. The verb used is sha'ah which means " to turn and look". One turns to look at what one is interested in.
5. Elohim gave not even an accepting glance to the offering of Cain because it was not accept. But what was acceptable? What were the guidelines for an accept offering. Cain

then became angry and his countenance fell.

6. Then Yehovah said to Cain, "Why are you angry?" And why has your countenance fallen?

Lesson...Why do we get mad at Yehovah for our own disobedience?

7. If you do well it will lift. But if you do not do well, sin is crouching at your doorway. Its desire is for you but you must master it. The Hebrew word for crouching is *rabbas*. The word appears multiple times in the Old Testament. In Genesis 49:9 the word is used to refer to a lion crouching. We must notice that the context in this verse reveals the word for desire in Genesis 4:7 refers to a lust for control. Notice Cain was told that he "must master it." There was a struggle within Cain to murder or not to murder his brother Abel. Sin wanted control. Sin wanted to murder Abel. (Romans 6:6-7).
8. Cain was talking to Abel and while he was talking to his brother he rose against him and killed him. Yehovah then asked Cain where was His brother which was exactly how he asked his parents Where are you? Another rhetorical question....He knew where He was. Cain chose the wrong decision.
9. Yehovah even gave Cain a chance to do right when He said if you do well it will be lifted. (1 John 2:6; 1 Peter 5:8; 1 John 5:4; Proverbs 14:12).

Genesis 4:25-26

1. vs.25 the name Seth (Hb Shet) is a wordplay on the verb translated appointed (Hb Shat).
Once again Eve recognized Elohim as the ultimate source of her offspring.
2. The expectation that Seth would be more righteous than Cain is established by Eve's

statement that Elohim have him to replace Abel. In fact, the daily line that ultimately produced Yeshua is traceable through Seth (Luke 3:38).

3. vs. 26 the one Enos like the name Adam, means "humanity." In a real sense Enos's birth marks a new and brighter beginning for humanity, as men began to call upon the name of Yehovah which is Elohim's personal name (Exod 3:15; 6:3).

Take Away

1. You cannot worship Yehovah in your own way!
2. Just as Seth was the son of Adam and He was the beginning of the righteous line that led to Yeshua
3. In the end people started choosing the Yah's Way by calling on His personal name...Yehovah.

Application

1. Yehovah gave us a way to worship so let's worship the way He tells us too.
2. Let's walk the way of Seth and not Cain as we follow Yehovah's commandments.
3. Let's be like the ancients and call upon the Name of Yehovah. Whosoever calls on the Name of Yehovah shall be saved.

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