The Blood and the Glory #2 Teachers Notes

We heard in the last session how the "old timers" set up a blood watch – a word watch for constant victory....Can we do it? What is the scriptural basis? We need a clear understanding of what happened ... we need to go all the way back to the original plan of God.....Back to the Glory..... back to before the foundation of the world. How did mankind find himself in this position ??

1) Turn to Genesis 1:1. In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth only God could sum up so much in so few words....it would be impossible for our minds to grasp everything that this involved !!

2) Genesis 1:2 and the earth **was** without form and void and darkness was upon the face of the deep.

God did not create the earth "without form and void" that state of things came later. The original Hebrew words translated "without form and void" are the words Tobu va bohu (pronounced toe-who vah bow who)

Hebrew English lexicon – **Tobu** – Formless, confusion, unrealiy, emptiness, chaos, waste. **Bohu** - emptiness va simpy means "and"

For God to create something formless empty, formless and chaotic would fly in the face of every perfect work that God does. Deuteronomy 32:4 Gods work is Perfect Psalm 111:3 Gods work is Glorious Isaiah 45:18 tells us that God created the world "not in vain" TOBU He formed it to be inhabited. The lexicon give the basis meaning of the Hebrew word translated as WAS in Gen 1:2 as "Fall out, come to pass, become" or "happen, occur, come to pass" a better translation of these 2 verses would be 1. In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.....2. And the earth became without form, and void (tobu va bohu) and darkness was upon the face of the deep....

God created the earth in a glorious state of perfection. I believe at that time the whole Earth was filled with the glory of God.

Something catastrophic happened between v1 and v 2....millions or billions of years lie between them. The apostle Peter describes it in 2 Peter 3 5-6 as "The world that was then"

Dinosaurs may have been part of "the world that then was." A big question among the scientists is, "What happened to the dinosaurs?" There's a whole range of theories, but recently most scientists have agreed on the theory that the last of the dinosaurs died on one catastrophic day. Again and again we see science lining up with the word of God !! There was indeed one catastrophic day...... Could it be the day that lucifer fell ???

(a) Jeremiah 4:23-27. (without form and void) same hebrew wordsTobu va bohu)

(b) God caused Jeremiah **to look into the past** and see the day when judgment fell on "the world that then was"...... and the earth became void and without form.(i) light was removed (not just natural light but God himself – God is Light) (ii) Life was removed. - no ife could survive wthout "THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD (iii) All the cities were destroyed. (iv) The mountains and hills shook.

Most scientists believe that the inhabitants of the earth were destroyed when an asteroid collided with the earth..... but the Bible tells us in V26 that this devastation was "The presence of the Lord and His fierce anger" John G Lake said "The presence of God is as destructive of evil as it is creative of good"

What made God so angry ?

A rebellion so great it split the angelic hosts.....a revolt against God led by the most beautiful being God had created... the archangel lucifer.... He wanted to overthrow God !!!! of course we know the the outcome Jesus tells us in Luke 10:18 " I saw satan fall like lightning from heaven (did this have the appearance as an asteroid ??)

Could it be at that moment the earth became a wasteland, waters covered the earth and darkness, total darkness was upon the face of the deep ?

Lets go back to Gen 1: 2 WOO HOOO "And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters......everything changes when the Spirit of God moves !!!

I love the way Billye Brim talks about this in the book.... I am a very visual person and I love to Imagine – to put my self there.....So imagine the angelsthey see the Spiri of God begin to hover...... after Millions or Billions of years of lookin at a "black spot" amongst Gods glorious creation.....I wonder if they "sat up"..... stood up.... to get a better view..... eh up !!!! I wonder whats going on there ?? been no action there for years !!!! They heard Gods first words Gen 1:3 Let there be light... and there was light and we know that God called forth the sun, moon, stars..... the angels were watching.....

Then on day 6....Genesis 1:26.....imagine Gods voice booming across all creation..... down through all eternity...."Let us make man in our image, after our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth"

I imagine the Angels in heaven began to say one to another, He's going to make a man..... **"What is man?"** I dunno ?? What is a man ??? This was something that had never existed before.... (We know that it's an angel because it is confirmed in Hebrews 2:5)

Psalms 8:3-6. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars which you have ordained. (the angel is complimenting God on His workmanship But then he asked the big question,) "What is man, that you are mindful of him? And the Son of man, that you visit Him? For you have made him a little lower than the angels."

What is a man that he has a place in your mind? A man that you visit him in the garden... the angels likely had to call on God but here we see God Visiting HIS MAN

(a) The word "ANGELS" is not correctly translated. The Hebrew word is "ELOHIM." Elohim is the plural word for God, meaning God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

From eternity past, the Angels only knew this order – The triune Godhead, archangels and angels...Now there is a new order in creation. Man is ranked just under the Godhead. READ ON V: 5 and you have crowned him with GLORY and honour.. who wears crowns ? Kings (a) God himself arose and crown His man.... amid majesty and pageantry far surpassing any earthly monarch GOD HIMSELF CROWNED HIS MAN

What was his crown made of? Of diamonds? gold?(a) No. God paves streets with gold....

(b) The crown was made of the most valuable substance in all of creation. The crown was made of glory. God's glory. What is glory ? The glory of God is God's presence manifested. Gods original plan for you and me - God's glory sat upon man as his crown and clothed him as his covering.

Adam sinned and relinquished that authority to satan Romans 3:23 says, "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Man fell from the state of glory that he once walked in.

Hebrews 2:10. You can word like this, "But the Captain of your salvation is bringing many sons to glory."

(b) And there's the CIRCLE OF GLORY.

(a) The Father of Glory, sent the Lord of Glory to lift up the man who had once been crown with the Glory, but had falling from the Glory, back into the Glory of His Presence.

1 Cor 2: 6-7 amplified describes the plan "which God devised and decreed before the ages for our glorification (that is to lift us into the glory of his presence)

1) From the moment that someone receives Jesus Christ as their Lord and saviour he is Born-again the is a process of glorification begins

2) 2 Corinthians 3:18. AMP "And all of us, as with unveiled face, [because we] continue to behold [in the Word of God] as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are constantly being transfigured into His very own image in ever increasing splendour and from one degree of glory to another."

The blood and the glory are forever joined..... it is his bood that gives us access to the glory.....it is His blood that cleanses us, saves us, covers us and enables

us "to enter in" and to stand in HIS gory. No blood No Glory.