~ Kevin's Kolumn ~

A Genesis chapter 5 Revelation

During my Monday morning's reading of the audio bible I was once again struck by God's continued intervention on behalf of mankind. We sometimes hurriedly rush through genealogies mentioned in scripture because they seem so boring to us, and yet, Genesis 5 holds some fascinating truths for us to employ. The Bible is God's Wisdom being expressed in ways that both the normal reader as well as the scholar can grasp their truths in ways that continue to amaze us. Genesis Chapter 5 is a way that God lays out his plan for mankind through a subtle revelation. Although I've shared this information with some of you before, it continues to amaze me as to just how incredible God's Word truly is. The Genealogy in chapter 5 of Genesis begins with Adam and goes down to Noah. Each name mentioned in Genesis 5 means something. For instance,

ADAM = man
SETH = Appointed
ENOSH = Mortal
KENAN = Sorrow
MAHALALE = the Blessed God
JARED = shall come down
ENOCH = Teaching
METHUSELAH = His death shall bring
LAMECH = the Despairing
NOAH = Comfort (or Rest)

Now, if we were to put all this together, this is what it would sound like: "Man is appointed mortal sorrow. The blessed God shall come down teaching that his death shall bring the despairing comfort/rest."

Remind yourself, God's Word is TIMELESS and because it's timeless it's not bound by our watches, our schedules or our calendars. Slow down in 2016 and spend time with God in His scriptures. Allow Him to transform the way you see the world in which you live; one that is governed by Godly principles and precepts.

Have a blessed New Year and remember the One who gave it to you!

Kevin

Prayer Requests

- ♥Keep Robert Carpenter in your prayers. He has been transitioned to a rehabilitation facility. Please keep Bobby and his family in your prayers as well as they take care of Robert.
- ♥Cindy Perkins father (George Vincent) had a fall and broke his collar bone and his hip. Please keep him in your prayers.
- ♥David Lough, Kevin's brother, had knee replacement surgery this past Tuesday.
- ♥Prayers are requested for Addie Dotson. Doctors are meeting to determine whether or not she's able to receive her (hopefully) last heart surgery.
- ♥Phil Dotson's grandmother (Barbara Jo Dotson) is dealing with cancer. It started in the colon and has now spread to the lungs and abdomen. Please keep her in your prayers.
- ♥Update on Simon (little boy in Carla Lough's class at preschool) Simon had surgery today in New York and they removed what they believe was 95-98% of the tumor and what was around the aortic valve. It was causing blood constriction and could have caused a stroke.
- ▼Keep Marsha & Reegan Kisner, Edwina, the Shaffer family, Kim Dumire, Buck Osborne, Margret Brand, and Harold Phillips in your prayers this week.
- ♥Keep Kathie Clayton in your prayers. She had a fall and chipped a bone. She is currently going through rehabilitation.
- **♥**Delores Rager is in Fitzwater Nursing Facility on Locust Avenue.
- ♥It has been determined that Mary Merroto has had a stroke. Please keep Mary and her family in your prayers.
- ♥Rick Earle has dealt with skin cancer on his right arm. Let's pray that doctors have removed all they need to and that he's received all the treatments he'll need.
- ♥Pam Jackson has been dealing with an extreme case of the flu. Tim has asked that we lift her up in prayer.
- ♥Ed's office manager, Paula Wyanns, will be going through a needle biopsy because of doctors noticing something suspicious on her mammogram. She has requested our prayers.
- **♥**Remember Debbie Conaway in your prayers as she prepares for treatment for her breast cancer.
- ♥Keep Bud Lipscomb in your prayers. He is dealing with cellulitis as well as the flu.

News and Notes

- ♦Whitehall Nursery School is currently accepting registrations for the 2016-2017 school year. Children must be three years old by September 1st and potty trained. Openings available in the three year and four year old programs. See Edwina Summers for more information or call her at 304-368-0300 between 8:30 AM 2:00 PM or 304-265-2085.
- ♦Pleasant Acres Whitehall is responsible for services at Pleasant Acres on Sunday, January 24th. Please make plans now to attend. For more details, please see Kevin.
- ♦Covered Dish Luncheon Everyone is welcome to attend a Covered Dish Luncheon on Sunday, January 31st immediately following the morning service. There will not be services that evening as we will have a Devo after the meal together. or taking it for the first time. Questions: see Kevin.

<u>SAVE THE DATE</u>...Vacation Bible School will be June $5^{th} - 8^{th}$ with the picnic on June 9^{th} . If you would like to help this year, please see Mary Lough. More info coming soon!

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