

LESSON 3: Nimrod and the Tower of Babel

1.0 Text

Gen. 10:1-14,

IChr. 1:10

2.0 Preambles

Nimrod: Noah, Ham, Cush=Nimrod (Great-grandson of Noah)

Characteristics

- Mighty Hunter before the Lord and began to be mighty in the earth I chr. 1:10
- Built so many Cities and had kingdoms (was a king) and prominently the Tower of Babel.
- Nimrod named the sun god and Semiramis named the moon goddess. Semiramis has appeared in various forms as Venus, Artemis, Diana, Cerres, Astaroth, in Egypt as queen of heaven, etc.
- Mother and son worship spread from Babylon and is now worldwide and commonly Catholicism as Mary and Jesus.
- Worshipped MANY gods

Bible Scholars interpreted “a mighty hunter before the Lord” (“*in the face of the Lord*”) as signifying “in opposition to the Lord”, commentators have also connected the name Nimrod with Hebrew word meaning ‘rebel’.

Of the three sons of Noah recorded in the Bible, Nimrod is made leader of the Hamites, while Joktan as leader of the Semites (Semitism), and French as leader of the Japhethites, are also associated with the building of the Tower.

Josephus wrote Nimrod persuaded the people not to ascribe glory and strength to God, but to believe that it was their own courage which procured their happiness. He also gradually changed the government into tyranny, seeing no other way of turning men from the fear of God, but to bring them into a constant dependence on his power. He also said he would be revenged on God, if He should have a mind to drown the world again; for that he would build a tower too high for the waters to reach. And that he would avenge himself on God for destroying their forefathers. Nimrod esteemed it a show of cowardice to submit to God. The building continued at

the very fast pace until God to confuse their language and not use flood to destroy them.

How is the character of Nimrod manifested in our day to day life?

Arabic literatures said Nimrod looked into the sky and saw a piece of Black cloth and a Crown. The piece of black cloth has now become the very symbol of Islam, (The kaaba Black stone, ISIS and BH flags).

Nimrod established fire worship and idolatry, then received instruction in divination for three years.

Nimrod figures in some very early versions of the history of Freemasonry (compare with Illumination, having the symbol of triangle with eye in the middle), where he was said to have been one of the fraternity's founders. According to Encyclopedia of Freemasonry: The legend of the craft in the Old Constitutions refers to Nimrod as one of the founders of Masonry.

About 7th century, Catholics sought the help of the great Ishmaelites in the Middle East to use them to purge the Jews and Messianic believers from the holy land. They got Mohammed to lead them. Hence Islam was created with goddess Ashteroth (The moon god named Allah, symbolized by the moon crest and star) to lead them.

Others names for Nimrod

- Marduk, from which comes Mars
- Enki, god of wisdom, incantations and deep waters of the oceans
- Apsu, from which comes Poseidon
- Astalluhi, god of healing and exorcism, in Greek as Aesculapeus
- Bel/Baal, lord or master
- Nabul/Nebo, known in Romans as Apollo, in Greek as Hermes

Abraham (Avram)

Born Abram in the Ur of the Chaldees. Terah tenth in descent from Noah, begat Abram, Nahor and Haran.

Married Sarai, who was barren. Terah, Abram, Sarai and Lot left the Ur of the Chaldees by the call of God for the land of Canaan, but settled in Haran where Terah died at age 205. Gen. 11:27-32. He was 75 yrs old when he left Haran

Characteristics

- Patience even in the presence of spouse barrenness
- Obedience to God, ready to heed YHWH commandment to move, no cities and kingdoms
- Worshipped only ONE God
- Believed challenges are easily overcome by communications, Gen.13:8, prayers Gen. 18:24-32.

Nimrod and Abraham

Nimrod was devil incarnated a form of anti-Christ. Abraham was a friend of God, a Priest, and Prophet. It is obvious quite a lot of religions evolved from Nimrod polytheism as different from the worship of Jehovah.

These religions are in a "fight" of supremacy with the worship of the true God. It has always been a contest of darkness and light. Ultimately the bible speaks about Nimrod Mic. 5:6

Although the Bible did not record any meeting between the two, Jewish traditions and writings show that both may have met at one time or the other. Jewish writers believe that Amraphel (Gen14.1), king of Shinar is actually Nimrod. Shinar or Babylon is in the present day Iraq, definitely the spirit of violence associated with Cain and ultimately in Nimrod is still in Iraq, definitely the spirit of violence prompted Cain to slay his brother. Bloodletting is associated with the Baalim (name of Nimrod) from where major false religion developed. Gen. 4.16, Cain dwelt in the land of Nod, east of Eden, which is the present day Iran. These nations (Iraq and Iran) are affronts to Christianity. Num. 35:33, blood defiles the land, hence God has to choose a new place for the righteous and Abraham has to leave the Ur of Chaldees to a new place that God alone will show. The personality of Nimrod was enough to defile the land hence Abram the righteous relocate. Today the personality of Jesus has made us to relocate from the world Nimrod into His glorious light.

3.0 Discussion / Interaction.

4.0 Summary

5.0 Prayers

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