

LISTEN UP & WRITE IT DOWN

The Promised Seed

The Gospel According to Genesis: Beginnings

Genesis 3:15

Palm Sunday, April 5, 2009

1. ACTS of the Story

2. SECTIONS of the Story

Old Testament

New Testament

3. CHAPTERS of the Story =

4. EPISODES of the Story =

1. Often bear some _____ to the Seed.
2. Often point to our _____ for the Seed.
3. Often show us _____ in the Seed in action.
4. Often show us God's _____ in real life.

III. WHY does it matter?

1. Most of us have _____ and _____ the Bible.

The Bible is not a book of _____,

but story of _____!

2. I want you and your seed to _____ God's Word, _____ to God's Word and read it _____.
3. I want you (and your seed!) to _____ the Seed, _____ the Seed, _____ the seed, and _____ the seed.

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I. WHO is the Promised Seed?

- A. What is this "enmity?"
- B. Who is the "seed" of the serpent?
- C. Who is the promised "seed of the woman?"

4 possibilities

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

II. WHAT does it mean?

- A. Everything in the Bible _____ and _____ from this seminal promise in Genesis 3:15.
- B. Genesis 3:15 is a _____ that unlocks the story of the Bible.
- C. Genesis 3 is a _____ through which to see and understand the Bible.
- D. Taking in the view from 30,000 feet . . .

THINK IT OVER!

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1. Read Genesis 3:15 again. Who is talking? To whom? What two parties are spoken of?
2. What are the 4 possible references implied in the mention of the “seed of the woman?”
3. Why is Genesis 3:15 so pivotal? What has happened leading up to this? What happens from and because of this? Where does the story take us and how does Genesis 3:15 shape it?
4. If Genesis 3:15 is the key to reading the rest of the Bible, then what are some questions we should ask as we read along?
5. Think of 5 Bible stories you know and explain how they relate to “the story of the Seed?” In what ways do the stories of individuals serve the overarching Story of the Seed?

WORK IT OUT!

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1. What was new and most challenging for you in this week’s text/message?
2. Why have we misread and misunderstood the Bible? What are some various ways we read it?
3. Have you ever read the Bible this way? What difference does it make when we read the Bible as the “Story of the Seed?”
4. If the Bible is not a book of rules, but a story of redemption, what role do the rules play?
5. Take apart this sentence and explain its parts. . .

I want you (and your seed!) to SEE the Seed,

RECEIVE the Seed, BECOME the seed, and SPREAD the seed.