

## **Human History, God's Intervention**

Mankind has made many advances in science, medical technology and techniques, communications, military technology, industry, etc. How far will mankind advance? Some say there is no limit. The Scriptures give the answer.

God's plan will unfold in exactly the manner that He planned in eternity past. His perfect plan will fulfill its purpose. Volition or free will is the key. God in His sovereignty agreed to provide free will to all of His creatures. God never coerces free will. Ever. Even so, His plan will unfold as He decreed without forcing or coercing anyone's free will. See the category on The Plan of God.

In the Garden of Eden after Adam and Eve had sinned, Jesus Christ asked, "Adam, Where are you?" Where are you geographically? No! Where are you spiritually! Adam and Eve were in a state of sin and had hidden themselves. They could have no fellowship with God. Gen. 3:9.

"Then the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"" (Genesis 3:9, NASB)

Our Lord then made the first pronouncement of salvation for mankind called the "Proto Evangel" in Genesis 3:15.

"And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, And you shall bruise him on the heel."" (Genesis 3:15, NASB)

Many years later, certain fallen angels came to the earth to take human women as their wives. In so doing, the plan of Satan was to corrupt the DNA of mankind and thus prevent the arrival of the perfect human and perfect God on one person – the God-man, Jesus Christ.

God made an announcement that this genetically corrupted angelic-mankind mix would only last for 120 more years due to their violence and corrupt angel-human natures. The wickedness of man was great. Gen. 6:3; Gen 6:5.

"Then the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, because he also is flesh; nevertheless his days shall be one hundred and twenty years."" (Genesis 6:3, NASB)

"Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually." (Genesis 6:5, NASB)

The thoughts of man's heart were only evil. Mankind was filled with violence and was corrupt. There remained no humans free of angelic DNA except for eight – the family of Noah. Noah's family also were the only remaining believers on earth. God would intervene in human history with a great flood. Gen. 6:11-12; Gen. 6:17. See category on The Great Flood.

"Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of God, and the earth was filled with violence. God looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth." (Genesis 6:11-12, NASB)

"Behold, I, even I am bringing the flood of water upon the earth, to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life, from under heaven; everything that is on the earth shall perish." (Genesis 6:17, NASB)

Human history moved on to the Tower of Babel. Then, God confounded their communication system into multiple languages. Gen. 11:4; Gen. 11:6-7; Gen. 11:9.

"They said, "Come, let us build for ourselves a city, and a tower whose top will reach into heaven, and



let us make for ourselves a name, otherwise we will be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth."" (Genesis 11:4, NASB)

"The LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they all have the same language. And this is what they began to do, and now nothing which they purpose to do will be impossible for them. "Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, so that they will not understand one another's speech."" (Genesis 11:6-7, NASB)

"Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of the whole earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of the whole earth." (Genesis 11:9, NASB)

The Old Testament continued to unfold and then one day a baby was born - a God-man born to die. God intervenes in human history. Jesus Christ became the center of attraction. Luke 2:11.

"for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:11, NASB)

Then one day, God allowed an angel to make an announcement of our Lord's resurrection to those gathering at His tomb. Luke 24:5-6.

"and as the women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living One among the dead? "He is not here, but He has risen. Remember how He spoke to you while He was still in Galilee," (Luke 24:5-6, NASB)

The conclusion is that God indeed intervenes in human history to further His plan.

The Christian should ponder, and rightly so, how far will man penetrate space? How far will space travel progress? As far as God permits. Can man land on other planets? If God permits it. But God restrains.

Where are the eyes of the world today? On what man can achieve? On how far man can travel in space? On what technical wonders man will come up with? Their eyes should be on their need for the Savior – the Lord Jesus Christ.