

Activity Sheet, 1 July 2018

Bridge to our world

Genesis 5v1-32

- We ignore what we think is not relevant to us
- Message of Bible is non-discriminatory: applies to everyone!

(1)History

- our world
- our family

- How old was Noah when the flood came? (a) 500, (b) 600, (c) 950 (See Genesis 7v11).
- Which of the following is not mentioned in Hebrews 11v1-7? (a) Adam, (b) Cain, (c) Abel, (d) Enoch, (e) Noah?
- What makes human beings special, valuable? (a) what we are made of, or (b) who we are made like? (See 5v1-2)

(2)Death

- not normal
- wages of sin [Romans 6v23]
- physical and spiritual
- insoluble

- In Genesis 2v17 what did God say would happen to Adam if he disobeyed?

(3)Hope

- in God
- in God's Son

- "Enoch left this world with his body intact." True or false?
- Adam had lots of sons and daughters (5v4) – why is the focus on the descendents of Seth? (a) more gifted, (b) lived longer, (c) Jesus' family line. [*Hint*: see Luke 3v37-38]

(4)Jesus

- the image of God enters our world and conquers death

Questions for discussion:

1. Why are the ancient events recorded in the early chapters of Genesis relevant to everyone?
2. What features of Genesis 1-5 indicate these chapters are talking about real people and events? Why do many question the historicity of these accounts?
3. Why does it matter that we are all physically descended from Adam and Eve?
4. What attitudes to death do we find in our society? How does what Genesis teaches make sense of why we are uncomfortable with death?
5. What are 'spiritual' and physical death? Why must they be linked? (*Hint*: what happened to Jesus on the cross?)
6. Why does Luke introduce Jesus' ministry with a genealogy (Luke 3v23-38)? Why does it matter that Jesus was a 'son of Adam'?
7. Why is the genealogy in Luke the last in the Bible?