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"And straightway they for sook their nets, and followed him" [Mark 1:18].

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I did not attend the meeting of the Million Man March, I only saw a variety of television of the live presentations of the attendance and speakers to the March. I did not listen to any remarks of the media for I deliberately desired only the presentation itself.

The Meeting was undoubtedly one of the most remarkable assembly of our black citizens ever to come in our history as a nation. I was refreshed to hear the message of the black speakers to the black people to invite them to return to their homes, to "stop blaming whites," and to stop killing each other and to take care of their families. With our own problems as white people, it would have been inappropriate for us to have given the blacks this message.

I was also impressed with the seeming orderliness of the occasion, and the manner in which the assembly dispersed. I rejoiced as a citizen of America to see the filial friendships set forth and the evidence of concern and care. After seeing the earlier riots in our nation I was grateful for the manifestation of this audience in our nation's capital.

As a minister of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ in our community, and a Christian educator, however, my heart was deeply grieved to hear Rev. Louis Farrakhan, a moslem representative on the occasion, to attack the Jews, exalt Arafat, and then declare that Christianity was a white man's religion, and that Jesus Christ was not God but rather a white man's prophet. To us as Christians who believe in the literal words of the Bible, black or white, this is considered a blasphemous statement. My grief, not anger, was compounded by Rev. Farrakhan's contradiction inviting us to go back to our church, mosque,

or synagogue, after he had condemned both the Jews and the Christian biblicist. There were also film-clips of a meeting the night before the March by Moslems alone, and clinched fists and threats were made to non-conforming blacks of the Moslem religion.

It is my opinion that all of the benefits of the assembly of dear people will never compensate for our loss in this event concerning what we as Christians hold dear to our own religious faith. I do not believe that Christianity is a white man's religion. In the New Testament the Wise Men who came to see Jesus were not white men: the man who carried the Cross for Jesus was a black man; Philip met the Ethiopian Eunuch, who was not a white man; and the day the Apostle Paul was sent out on his first missionary journey a black man helped lay his hands upon the head of Paul that dedicated him as a missionary preacher. There are many black people in Africa who are Christians: there are many black Christian churches in our beloved country; and there are Indians on our reservations who are Christians; and there are many orientals in the world and other races in South America, the Islands, and other places

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who are Christians. The statistics state that there are more races involved in the Christian Faith than any other religion in the world. Jesus, Himself, took on the body of a Jew, not a white man per se; but transcending above all his identifications, he was God, not a mere man of any race. That is why He was able to preach to Jews, Samaritans, Syrophonicians, Greeks, Judeans, Galileans, and Pereans, with 15 different dialects of people joining the Christian Faith on the Day of Pentecost (Acts 2:8-11). This list is not applicable to white people, only. To fulfil prophecy Jesus had to become man through King David, a Jew. There are 77 names from Adam to Jesus through 4,000 years, and it would be ridiculous to think of all those people and all those families as Western Caucasian white.

Yes, I rejoiced with our dear black citizens and their conduct on the day of the Million Man March. They were more expressive of our hope than some of the leaders who spoke on the subject of religion and condemned the Jewish race, also a minority group in the earth. America needs a mighty spiritual revival from the true and living God.

Christmas Around The World

In almost every place in the entire world, there will be a sign of some kind to indicate that Christmas has come again! Our school books speak of an elementary identification of the people of earth as red, brown, black, yellow, and white. As Christians, we think of it as Adam's offspring through Shem, Ham, and Japheth into the various races of the world. The Table of Nations, as revealed in Genesis, Chapter Ten, sets forth the order Japheth as first, because Ham

follows as "servant." Shem is reserved until last because of the priority involved for the genealogy of Chapter Eleven, and its relationship with Abraham, the main character, to follow in the remaining chapters of Genesis.

There are four elements in these ethnologies: (1) Geography (2) Language (3) Ethnology (4) Politic. These are alluded to by the words "lands," "tongue," "families," and "nations" (Genesis 10:5,20,31). There are governing principles here that we should observe.

First, it must have been tabulated prior to the destruction of the cities of the plain existing in the earlier days of Abraham which were later destroyed by judgment angels (cf. Genesis 10:19 & 14:17 & 19:24); it is recorded with that view in mind and with distinct purpose.

Second, therefore, it could not have been composed later than the time of Abraham, whose date falls between 2,038 and 1,836 B.C. (Ussher's chronology, 2,000-1,500 B.C.) Perhaps it was earlier in the time of Abraham rather than later.

Third, the ethnological table probably could not have been compiled much earlier than the time of Abraham, because the Greeks were inhabiting the islands and coasts of the Aegean Sea (1,004 B.C.). This they probably did not do before the beginning of the second millennium B.C.

It seems most appropriate, at Christmastime, to speak of the universal coming of the Lord Jesus to all the nations of the earth. Therefore, we present the following outlines of the nations of earth coming from Japheth, Ham, and Shem, about 70 nations in all, but beginning with the Jews.

Japheth's Ethnology

- 1. Gomer
 - a. Cimmerians.
 - b. Cimbri.
 - c. The Celtic Family.
 - 1. Ashkenaz.
 - a. In the vicinity of Ararat, Armenia (Jer. 51:27).
 - b. Germany (Jewish literature), or Germanic countries.
 - 2. Riphath, Asia Minor
 - 3. Togarmah, Asia Minor
- 2. Magog.
 - a. The Scythians (Josephus).
 - b. The section north of the Black Sea.
- 3. Madai.
 - a. The Medes.
 - b. Mesopotamia.
- 4. Javan.
 - a. Greece.
 - b. Syria.
 - 1. Elishah.
 - a. Sicily.
 - b. Cyprus.
 - 2. Tarshish. Tartessus in ancient Spain.
 - 3. Kittim. Cyprus.
 - 4. Dodanim.
 - a. Sometimes, Rodanim.
 - b. The Rhodian islands in the Aegean Sea.
- 5. Tubal.
 - a. His peoples were in the region south of the Black Sea; spreading north and south.
 - b. Probable that Tobolsk perpetuates the tribal name.
- 6. Meshech.
 - a. Tubal.
 - b. Magog, and other northern nations.
 - c. Some think modern Magog, Tubal, and Meshech is Russia; others believe in Turkey.

- 7. Tiras.
 - a. Thracians.
 - b. The Tyrsenoi, a people occupying the coast lands of the Aegean Sea.

Ham's Ethnology

- 1. Cush. Ethiopia.
 - a. Serba.
 - b. Havilah.
 - c. Sabtah.
 - d. Raamah. (Sheba and Dedan.)
 - e. Sabteca.
- 2. Mizraim. Egypt.
 - a. Ludim.
 - b. Anammim.
 - c. Lehabim.
 - d. Naphtuhim.
 - e. Pathrusim.
 - f. Casluhim. (The Philistines.)
 - g. Caphtorim.
- 3. Put. (Sometimes written "Phut;" refers to Lybia.)
- 4. Canaan. Inhabited Palestine and gave the country one of its names.
 - a. Sidon.
 - 1. Sometimes called "Zidon."
 - 2. Once was the capital of ancient Phoenicia.
 - b. Heth. The Hittites.
 - c. Jebusite.
 - 1. A tribe in and near Jerusalem.
 - 2. Called Jebus (Jud. 19:10).
 - d. Amorite.
 - e. Girgashite.
 - f. Hivite.
 - g. Arkite.
 - h. Sinite.
 - i. Arvadite.
 - j. Zemarite.
 - k. Hemathite.

Shem's Ethnology

1. Elam. A people east of Babylon and the Persian Gulf.

- 2. Asshur. Assyria.
- 3. Arphaxad.
 - a. Salah.
 - b. Eber.
 - 1. Peleg. This name in Hebrew means *division*.
 - 2. Joktan.
 - a. Almodad.
 - b. Sheleph.
 - c. Hazarmaveth.
 - d. Jerah.
 - e. Hadoram.
 - f. Uzal.
 - g. Diklah.
 - h. Obal.
 - i. Abimael.
 - j. Sheba.
 - k. Ophir.l. Havilah.
 - m. Jobab.
- 4. Lud. Perhaps the Lydians of Asia Minor.
- 5. Aram. The regular name (Hebrew) for Syria. Aramaic.
 - a. Uz. A place in northern Arabia, where Job lived (Job 1:1).
 - b. Hul.
 - c. Gether.
 - d. Mash.

Another important consideration includes the various outlines of the Language Families of the earth that have proliferated down through history. We think of these Families of about eight or nine including Family, to Branch, to Dialect.

I. Indo-European Family

Indo-Germanic or Aryan Sanskrit Branch Prakrit Indian Branch

Greek Branch (900 B.C.)

<u>Italic (Latin)</u> Branch and Dialect Umbrian Oscan Italian French Spanish Portuguese Romanian

Teutonic Branch & Dialect

English Dutch German Gothic Denmark Sweden Norway Iceland

Slavic

Russia Poland

Balkan States

Lettic Bulgarian Celtic Gauls

Britain (Irish, Scotch, Welsh)

II. Semetic Family

Assyrian Hebrew Phonecia Aramaic Syriac Arabic Abyssinian

III. Iranian Family

Persian

Zend (Avesta of Zoroastrianism)

IV. Scythian Family (Asia & Europe)

Turkish Finnish Hungarian

V. Mongolian Family

Himalayans

Mongols Manchus Chinese Japanese

VI. Malay-Polynesian Family

VII. Caucasian Family

Islands of Asiatic Seas

VIII. Hamitic Family

Egyptian Libyan Ethiopian

IX. America Family

Indians

Our modern historian, Aarnold Joseph Toynbee (1889-1975), presents 21 civilizations of mankind, with over 3,000 languages in the world today. The Bible Societies tell us that almost 95 of the people of the world have some portion of the Holy Scriptures translated into their own language.

Although our world is being greatly hurt by a growing apostasy, yet the words of our Lord Jesus are true.

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come (Matthew 24:14).

We believe that Christianity has gone further into the world than any other religion of history, and that more races have made some profession to Christianity than any other religion of the world.

We come once again to a Christmas, and our Heavenly Father has revealed the appropriateness of the visit of His Son to the earth.

But when the fulness of the time was come. God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Ab**ba. Father** (Galatians 4:4-6).

The following 77 names reveals the fulfillment of the Messianic Hope through the prophetical lineage reaching down through history from Adam to the birth of Jesus, the Son of God the Last Adam.

The Messianic Line In the Bible

1- Adam

2- Seth

3- Enos

4- Cainan

5- Mahaleel

6- Jared

7- Enoch

8- Methusaleh

9- Lamech

10- Noah

11- Shem

12- Arphaxad

13- Cainan

14-Sala

15-Eber

16-Peleg

17- Ragau

18- Saruch

19- Nahor

20- Terah

21- Abraham

22- Isaac

23- Jacob

24- Juda

25- Pharez 26- Esrom

27- Aram

28- Amminadab

29- Naason

30- Salmon

31-Boaz

32-Obed

33- Jesse

34- David

35- Nathan

36- Mattatha

37- Menan

38- Melea 39- Eliakim

40- Jonan

41- Joseph

42- Judah

43- Simeon

44- Levi

45- Matthat

46- Jorim

47- Eliezer

48- Jose

49- Er

50- Elmodam

51- Cosam

52- Addi 53- Melchi

54- Neri

55- Jechonias

(David through Solomon)

56- Salathiel

57- Zerubbabel

58- Rhesa

59- Joanna

60- Juda

61- Joseph

62- Semei

63- Mattathias

64- Maath

65- Nagge

66- Esli

67- Nahum

68- Amos

69- Mattathias

70- Joseph

71- Janna

72- Melchi

73- Levi

74- Matthat

75- Heli

76- Mary

77- Jesus

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