



## **Genesis Chapter 4b The First Polygamist**

As we ventured into last week's study into Genesis chapter 4, we spoke about a lot of very interesting things concerning Cain and Abel. We took a closer look at why it was that Cain murdered his brother Abel, and the fact that Cain was a farmer of the ~ground, and Abel his brother tended to the livestock and the animals. And last week we spoke a little bit about what the differences were between the two sacrificial offerings of Cain and his brother Abel.

We also spoke about the law of God being instituted from the very beginning of the book of Genesis, and how this conflicts with much of today's modern-day version of Christianity who still believe that the law only came into effect when Moses brought it down from mount Sinai, and that we are now living in a dispensational state of grace... apart from Gods law. If we allow the Scripture itself, to define the Scripture itself... Then we should already know that the biblical definition of sin, is that sin is the transgression of the law. And that is found in first John 3:4 just in case anyone doesn't already know that.

And so, let me just recap a little bit here this week before we move forward. If we accept the Scripture as truth, and if we accept the fact that the Scripture is to be believed, then we should already know that the biblical definition of sin, according to the scripture, is indeed, that sin is the transgression of the law. Now at this point in time at think it's important for us to understand that God's "word" and God's "law" are synonymous with each other. If you were in downtown Jerusalem, and you came upon a Jew, and you asked him to read you something from the "word" the first thing that he would do is to pull out his Torah and begin to read. On the other hand... if you were to ask that same Jew to read you something from the law, he would again pull out his Torah and begin reading, because God's "word" and God's "law" have always been known to be synonymous. What God says... is God's law. Our Messiah Yahshua was the "word" made flesh. So, in other words it would be fair to say that our Messiah was indeed the "law" made flesh. Why? Because everything he ever said, and everything that he ever did his whole life abided in, and coincided with, the law of his father. He obeyed every "word" of his Father flawlessly. And I think that this is extremely important for every modern-day Christian to understand before we move forward into what we're about to find in Genesis chapter 4.

As far as the law of our father in heaven... Not one crossing of a "T", or one dotting of an "I" has passed from our father's law according to our Messiah. And according to our Messiah... this still applies to the age that we are living in here today. And just for the benefit of our

brothers and sisters who have never heard these things before... I'd like to take just a moment and turn to Matthew 5:17-20:

**Mat 5:17** "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.

**Mat 5:18** For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished.

**Mat 5:19** Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

**Mat 5:20** For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Now... just for time's sake I will not get into the biblical fact that our father in heaven's law does indeed still stand, because I am confident that most of us within the Holy Impact Ministries community is well aware of that fact. However, if you are still entrenched in today's modern-day version of Christianity, that continues to teach that the apostle Paul nailed our father's laws, precepts, feast days and appointments to the cross... I would simply like to share with you a few Scriptures that most of us at holy impact ministries are already well aware of.

**Rom 2:13** For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, **but the doers of the law who will be justified.**

**Rom 3:31** Do we then overthrow the law by this faith? By no means! On the contrary, **we uphold the law.**

**Rom 6:1** What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?

**Rom 6:2** **By no means!** How can we who died to sin still live in it?

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**Rom 7:12** So **the law is holy**, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

**Rom 8:7** For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, **for it does not submit to God's law;** indeed, it cannot.

**Rom 8:8** Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

**Rom 8:2** For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from **the law of sin and death.**

The Apostle Paul always lived in accordance to the "law", and just to verify that through the scripture, I'd like to just take another moment to show that biblical fact... according to the

scripture. Let's turn to Acts 21:18-24:

*Act 21:18 On the following day Paul went in with us to James, and all the elders were present.*

*Act 21:19 After greeting them, he related one by one the things that God had done among the Gentiles through his ministry.*

*Act 21:20 And when they heard it, they glorified God. And they said to him, "You see, brother, how many thousands there are among the Jews of those who have believed. They are all zealous for the law,*

*Act 21:21 and they have been told about you that you teach all the Jews who are among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, telling them not to circumcise their children or walk according to our customs.*

*Act 21:22 What then is to be done? They will certainly hear that you have come.*

*Act 21:23 Do therefore what we tell you. We have four men who are under a vow;*

*Act 21:24 take these men and purify yourself along with them and pay their expenses, so that they may shave their heads. Thus all will know that there is nothing in what they have been told about you, **but that you yourself also live in observance of the law.***

And before we move forward I would just like to openly invite anyone and everyone who may find this teaching contrary to what you have been taught sitting in anyone of today's modern day denominational pews... To please visit us, at [HolyImpactMinistries.com](http://HolyImpactMinistries.com). There you will find several hours of videos, and downloadable PDF files to assist you in knowing the truth of what the Scripture actually says, and does not say concerning whether the law of the one true God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob was ever nailed to a cross... or not.

And so, with that being said, I think it's important for us all to understand that our father in heaven is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. He does not change, he does not adapt, he doesn't switch hats, he simply unfolds his plan of salvation as he sees fit, in order to teach his children the cost of partaking from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil so that they will know and remember the difference between the two.

We have to remember... That it is we... that wanted the knowledge of good and evil. It was we that put our hand in God's proverbial cookie jar, and took what did not belong to us back in the garden of Eden. And so now our father is tasked with educating us in the finer details of the knowledge of good and evil. You know I often times equate what man did in the garden, to what man did in the desert, when the children of Israel began to whine, and to complain because they had no meat to eat in the desert after being saved from the clutches of Pharaoh in Egypt.

In the book of numbers, in the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter... We find that the house of Israel had become tired of the manna that God had provided for them. Our father in heaven rained down fresh manna for the house of Israel to eat, and to have sustenance, but this was not good enough for them. And so, they started whining like little children, and complaining, and in numbers chapter 11 verse five they started saying "*we remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic*", and they became thankless

whiners, and grumblers, and I want us to hear what our father in heaven told them. We can find that in numbers 11:18-20:

*Num 11:18 And say to the people, 'Consecrate yourselves for tomorrow, and you shall eat meat, for you have wept in the hearing of the LORD, saying, "Who will give us meat to eat? For it was better for us in Egypt." Therefore the LORD will give you meat, and you shall eat.*

*Num 11:19 You shall not eat just one day, or two days, or five days, or ten days, or twenty days,*

*Num 11:20 but a whole month, until it comes out at your nostrils and becomes loathsome to you, because you have rejected the LORD who is among you and have wept before him, saying, "Why did we come out of Egypt?"'"*

This my friends is exactly the way it is going to be in his coming kingdom. By the time our Messiah finally comes to reestablish his coming kingdom here on this earth... we who wanted to know sin... will know sin so well, that we will be sick of it. We will have had our fill of sin to the point that it will be coming out of our nostrils... and it will become just as loathsome to us... as it is to our Father in Heaven. Surely one in his coming kingdom would ever want to return to sin and live in a world as wicked as this ever again. And yet... We are told even after the millennial reign... Satan will once again be loosened, and there will be those who will once again follow after him, and it will be then... that the last remnants of the seed of Satan, along with Satan himself, will be destroyed in the fiery pit that our Messiah speaks of in Revelation chapter 20 verse 10. If you would like to know more about the first and the second resurrections, that come before, and after the thousand-year millennial reign of our Messiah... I would invite you to read Revelation chapter 20.

The reason that I mention all of these things is to drive home the point that our father's law stood even in the days of Adam and Eve. After all, Adam and Eve could not have "sinned" unless the law had been in effect. There would have been no way for Adam and Eve to "transgress the law" (which is the biblical definition of sin) if the law were not in effect in their day. And with that thought in mind... I would also like us to return to Genesis chapter 4:3-4:

*Gen 4:3 In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, Gen 4:4 and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering,*

What I want us to zero in on here is actually found in verse four. "And Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions." Now to a modern-day Christian, this may seem like a simple sentence, but to those of us who study the Torah... This is extremely significant!

What is so significant in this sentence, is that we find that Abel not only brought the firstborn of his flock... but that he also brought their "fat portions". Now why would Abel bring their fat portions? You see the "fat portion" of an animal sacrifice, according to the law... Belongs to our Father in Heaven. Let's turn to Leviticus 3:14-16:

*Lev 3:14 Then he shall offer from it, as his offering for a food offering to the LORD, the fat covering the entrails and all the fat that is on the entrails*

*Lev 3:15 and the two kidneys with the fat that is on them at the loins and the long lobe of the liver that he shall remove with the kidneys.*

*Lev 3:16 And the priest shall burn them on the altar as a food offering with a pleasing aroma. All fat is the LORD's.*

You see the “fat portions” are very significant according to the Scripture, and according to our Father’s law. And again, this lends credence to the fact that Abel’s offering was indeed much more superior than Cain’s offering. There should be no doubt in our minds how much more superior Abel’s offering was, then Cain’s offering.

You see when our father speaks of the “fat” of the land, or the “fat” of an animal, or the “fat” of the wine press, he’s talking about the best of the best. He’s talking about the overflow of what was given. It was commanded in the law that no one would ever eat the “fat” of a sacrificed animal. And it should be understood that our father in heaven was not talking about the muscular fat, found within the muscle, or the meat... But he was talking about the excess fat of the animal... the “visceral fat”. He was talking about the fat covering the entrails, and the fat on the two kidneys, and the fat that was found along the long lobe of the liver. All meat has a degree of fat in it. When we buy hamburger at the store you can buy hamburger that’s 77% fat free... But it’s never 100% fat free. This kind of fat is acceptable for us to eat. But according to scripture... the visceral fat of an animal that is being used for sacrifice is forbidden for God’s people to eat, because that “fat” belongs to God. Let’s turn to Leviticus 7:22-25:

*Lev 7:22 The LORD spoke to Moses, saying,*

*Lev 7:23 "Speak to the people of Israel, saying, You shall eat no fat, of ox or sheep or goat.*

*Lev 7:24 The fat of an animal that dies of itself and the fat of one that is torn by beasts may be put to any other use, but on no account shall you eat it.*

*Lev 7:25 For every person who eats of the fat of an animal of which a food offering may be made to the LORD shall be cut off from his people.*

Notice the very specific commandments that our father makes concerning the fat of an animal being used for sacrifice in the Scripture. He says, “*you shall eat no fat of ox or sheep or goat.*” He goes on to say that if an animal dies naturally... or if it’s torn apart in the field by beasts, that the fat can be used for any other use, but... that we shall not eat of it. Other uses for fat include soap, grease, candles, waterproofing, and quite a few other things that we can use fat for but once again, we are not to eat it.

Our father in heaven feels so strongly about this that he says whoever does eat of the fat... shall be cut off from his people, and in the wilderness my friends this was a death sentence. You did not want to wander away from the camp back in those days. There were snakes, and lions, and tigers, and beasts of the field, and all kinds of godless nations, and thieves and so on and so forth. So, to be cut off from your people, was almost certainly a death sentence, and even Cain

himself knew this, and this is why Cain was so shocked by his punishment for killing his brother Abel. You can tell that Cain is clearly afraid when God tells him that he shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth. Cain says *“my punishment is greater than I can bear behold you have driven me today away from the ground and from your face and I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth and whoever finds me will kill me.”* So once again, being cut off from your people almost assuredly meant the death sentence unless by the grace of God you are marked by God the way Cain was so that no one did kill you.

And I mention all of these things to once again bring our attention back to the clear fact that our father’s law was indeed in effect during the days of Cain and Abel. Abel knew exactly what part of the animal that God favored, and what part belonged to God. Abel knew that when you sacrificed an animal on the altar to our father in heaven... that the fat belongs to him, and him alone. And so, don’t let anyone ever tell you that God’s law was initiated at mount Sinai when Moses brought down the 10 commandments. According to the Scripture my friends... This is clearly not true. Our father’s law was clearly in effect, and well understood by both Cain and Able clear back in the days of Adam and Eve.

According to today’s modern-day version of Christianity... we often times here the lost preaching that it’s all about “faith” versus “works”. And yet according to the Scripture, nothing could be farther from the truth. It has never been about “faith” verses “works”. In the book of James chapter 2 verse 17, the very brother of our Messiah tells us very clearly that faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. James clearly tells us in James chapter 2 verse 19, that even the demons believe. And so, it should be clear to us that we need to do much more than just have faith and believe. In James chapter 2 verse 24 the brother of our Messiah tells us that a person is justified by “works” and not just by faith alone... which is 180° away from what so many of our so very lost modern day denominational charters of men wrongly proclaim.

It has never been about “faith” versus “works”. It has always been about “faith” versus “vanity”. The vanity of men who think that they can earn their way through the gates of heaven. The vanity of men who think that God owes them something because of what they’ve done. The vanity of men who will come to our Messiah and say, *“haven’t we done many great miracles in your name, haven’t we cast out demons in your name, look at us, aren’t we great?”* It is this kind of vanity that will cause our Messiah to look them dead in the eyes and say, *“I never knew you, get away from me you who are lawless.”* “Faith” versus “works” has never been the problem my friends. “Faith” versus “works” has always been the deception! You see our adversary continuously tries to convince us that our fathers laws, commandments, precepts, and appointments are all done away with... And so, now it’s all about *“do as thou wilt... Is now the whole of the law. Your “once saved always saved... so it really doesn’t matter how you live, so be careful that you don’t become too legalistic... Be careful that you don’t get caught up in your works... Be careful that you don’t keep those old feast days, and those old sabbaths, and those old appointments that are only for the Jews.”* Do you see the deception my friends? Do you see that our adversary always makes what is good seem evil, and what is evil seem good? And do you see how he does it? He is a professional... he is magnificent at turning things upside down

and inside out in the minds of Gods people. “You’re living in a dispensational state of grace! So, you don’t have to worry about God anymore. God is love, and love is God. And that’s all there is to it... God can never hate you.... he loves you too much!” Even though it is written that God hatted Esau. It is written in Psa 11:5 that “The LORD tests the righteous, but his soul hates the wicked and the one who loves violence.” Once again my friends... if you want the wicked one to leave you... just quote him scripture... and he will flee.

My friends... our adversary is a smooth-talking snake oil salesman, isn’t he? “You’re once saved always saved!”... What a delivery. What a catchphrase. What a presentation. And what a close. What a profoundly brilliant deception.

And so now that we understand that our father’s law was indeed in effect even in the days of Adam and Eve... Something else that I would like to draw to our attention to is the fact that Abel himself was a prophet. Now how in the world do I know that Abel was a prophet? Because our Messiah says that he was a prophet. Let’s read Luke 11:49-51:

**Luk 11:49** Therefore also the Wisdom of God said, 'I will send them prophets and apostles, some of whom they will kill and persecute,'

**Luk 11:50** so that the blood of all the prophets, shed from the foundation of the world, may be charged against this generation,

**Luk 11:51** from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah, who perished between the altar and the sanctuary. Yes, I tell you, it will be required of this generation.

And so, it should be clear to us that Able was indeed a prophet according to our Messiah! Do we suppose that a prophet was needed in Cain and Abel’s time? The Greek word for “prophets” in Luke chapter 11 verse 50 is “Prof-ay-tace”:

προφήτης  
prophētēs  
**prof-ay'-tace**

From a compound of G4253 and G5346; a foreteller (□prophet□); by analogy an inspired speaker; by extension a poet: - prophet.

Total KJV occurrences: 149

So, do you suppose that a “foreteller”, and “inspired speaker” might be needed in Abel’s time? Obviously, a prophet was needed in Abel’s time... because our Messiah clearly calls Abel a prophet. And so, knowing this... we might also surmise that there were a large number of people on the earth when Cain killed Abel. One thing that I think is important to understand is that the Scripture only mentions certain people. I think it’s safe to surmise that not every human being on earth back in Cain and Abel’s time, has his name printed in the Scripture. The only names and genealogies mentioned in the Scripture are those that are directly related to our fathers unfolding plan for humanity. Not every goatherd, not every farmer, not every tent maker,

not every shepherd had their names recorded in the Scripture. And so, because we know that Cain moved to the land of Nod and took a wife for himself... there were obviously communities of people that had already populated the earth at that point in time. You see when we read the Scripture we often times think that these things happened immediately, or in succession, but the truth is, that this is not always the case. Hundreds of years may have passed between these events. We do know that Adam himself lived to be 800 years old, and we'll see that in chapter 5. And so, this also should help us to widen our understanding of what these days were like and what was going on during the days of Cain and Abel.

Another piece of evidence that proves that there were whole communities of people on the earth at that time is the fact that God had to mark Cain so that no one would kill him. And that leads us into another topic that has stumped Bible scholars for thousands of years. What exactly was the mark that God marked Cain with? How did God mark Cain so that people would know that anyone who kills Cain would have vengeance taken on them sevenfold? The answer to that question has evaded even the Jewish Rabbis for centuries. But I think that it's safe to say that whatever the mark was... it died with Cain, and most assuredly would have been swept away during the flood of Noah's time. But the scriptural truth is... We simply don't know because we were simply not told. And so, is it okay to say that we just don't know? You know sometimes we have a real hang-up about simply admitting that we just don't know because we're just not told. But I would submit to you my friends that it's just that simple. We simply don't know, because we were simply not told. And if anyone out there believes that we were told... Please contact me.

Now at this point in time I'd like to just idle here for just a moment. We know that our father's law was indeed instituted from the very beginning. And we know that people were sinning because they had been infected by sin. Sin itself had become a plague among God's people. And we also know that our father in heaven used the blood of innocent animals to cover the sins of men. But I want us to understand something else very profound.

The blood of innocent animals did not remove sin from men. The blood of innocent animals only covered the sin of men. The blood of innocent animals was being used by our Father in Heaven as a kind of "reality of duality." The blood of innocent animals was nothing more than a representation of a much more powerful kind of blood. Did the blood of innocent animals bring forgiveness? Yes it did. Let's read Leviticus 4:25-26:

*Lev 4:25 Then the priest shall take some of the blood of the sin offering with his finger and put it on the horns of the altar of burnt offering and pour out the rest of its blood at the base of the altar of burnt offering.*

*Lev 4:26 And all its fat he shall burn on the altar, like the fat of the sacrifice of peace offerings. So the priest shall make atonement for him for his sin, and he shall be forgiven.*

And so, because man obeyed God, and he sacrificed these innocent animals exactly the way that God commanded... God did indeed forgive men of certain sins. But the blood of these innocent

animals did not remove sin from the DNA of men. It only covered sin, just like the skins of the animals that God gave to Adam and Eve. But the sin still remained in man's nature. If man sacrificed the innocent animal as our father in heaven had prescribed... He was indeed forgiven of certain sins, but the innocent blood of animals only covered sin, it did not remove it from man the way that the blood of our Messiah has removed sin from man once and for all. Let's turn to Hebrews 9:22-28:

*Heb 9:22 Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.*

*Heb 9:23 Thus it was necessary for the copies of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.*

*Heb 9:24 For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.*

*Heb 9:25 Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own,*

*Heb 9:26 for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.*

*Heb 9:27 And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment,*

*Heb 9:28 so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.*

And so, it is that we see the reality of duality in the sacrificing of innocent animals. This sacrificial system in of itself... pointed directly to our Messiah who came from the house of David, and the tribe of Judah, and who was the word of God made flesh. And once again I would not let the fact that our Messiah was the word made flesh, cause us to stumble and fall. The word of God is simply the law of God. What God says, is God's law. Our Messiah was the law made flesh because he kept the law, and he taught the law, and he lived the law, and he breathed the law. And it should be evident to us... that we need to also be the word of God made flesh. We to are to keep the law, and to teach the law to our children diligently, and to live the law, and to breath the law ourselves.

And so, as we move forward down closer to the end of Genesis chapter 4 we find another very interesting character by the name of "Lamech." Now I find this character to be extremely interesting in a couple of different ways. One of the ways that I find him interesting is that he is the fifth in the generation of Cain.

If you were with us in our study into the first part of Genesis chapter 4, you may recall that we spoke about a belief by some biblical scholars... who believe that Cain was not the son of Adam. There are some biblical scholars who believe that the "tree of knowledge of good and evil" is merely symbolic. There are some who believe that the forbidden fruit was not an Apple. There are some biblical scholars who believe that it may have been possible... that the whole premise behind the serpent beguiling Eve... may have had to do with something more sinister

in nature. Some believe that the serpent who beguiled Eve may have taken advantage of her in a more sensual way and that Cain may actually have been the offspring of the serpent, and not the offspring of Adam.

Now as for myself, I cannot verify, nor disqualify this particular belief. But as I stated last week those who believe that the serpent did indeed infiltrate the bloodline of mankind through Eve... may, or may not be... all that far off. And were going to see even more of this kind of thing happening in Genesis chapter 6 later on in our study when we get into the “Nephilim” and the “Bene Elohim” and all of those interesting kinds of characters. But whether we believe that Cain was the seed of the serpent physically... or that he was the seed of the serpent spiritually... We do indeed find evil all throughout the bloodline of Cain, and just as we explained last week... Esau who God hated even before he was born... was also in the bloodline of Cain. But before we get to far off-track here, I want to get back to Lamech who was fifth in the line of Cain’s generation, and I just want to revisit Genesis chapter 4:19-24:

*Gen 4:19 And Lamech took two wives. The name of the one was Adah, and the name of the other Zillah.*

*Gen 4:20 Adah bore Jabal; he was the father of those who dwell in tents and have livestock.*

*Gen 4:21 His brother's name was Jubal; he was the father of all those who play the lyre and pipe.*

*Gen 4:22 Zillah also bore Tubal-cain; he was the forger of all instruments of bronze and iron. The sister of Tubal-cain was Naamah.*

*Gen 4:23 Lamech said to his wives: "Adah and Zillah, hear my voice; you wives of Lamech, listen to what I say: I have killed a man for wounding me, a young man for striking me.*

*Gen 4:24 If Cain's revenge is sevenfold, then Lamech's is seventy-sevenfold."*

So here in Genesis chapter 4 verse 19 we find that Lamech took for himself two wives, breaking God’s ordination of marriage as being between one man and one woman. Clearly in Genesis chapter 2 verse 24 we find that a man is to leave his father and his mother and to be united to his wife, and that they will become one flesh. And we can also read this in Matthew 19:4-6:

***Mat 19:4 He answered, "Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female,***

***Mat 19:5 and said, "Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh?"***

***Mat 19:6 So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."***

And once again I would point out that these are the red-letter words that come directly from the very mouth, the very breath, and the very tongue of our Messiah. Notice in Matthew chapter 9 first five our Messiah says and I quote “*The two... Shall become one flesh.*” He does not say the “*three*” shall become one flesh or the “*four*” shall become one flesh or the “*six*” shall become one flesh. And if we look in the book of Mark we can find this again, but with something a little

extra added to it. Let's read Mark 10:6-9:

*Mar 10:6 But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.'*  
*Mar 10:7 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife,*  
*Mar 10:8 and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh.*  
*Mar 10:9 What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."*

And so again we have the same account of what our Messiah clearly said with his own breath, his own words, and with his own tongue. And not only that... But he also says that “*what God has joined together... Let not man separate.*” And so, because we know that our Messiah was indeed the word made flesh... we can also be pretty sure of the fact that Lamech knew that it was outside of the will of God for him to have “two” wives. But this obviously doesn't stop Lamech. So not only is Lamech the first polygamist found in the Scripture... but listen to how vanity filled Lamech was in verse 23

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So here we find out that Lamech murdered a man, and if that weren't bad enough... He himself proclaims that if anybody murders him... that there will be revenge taken on them 70 sevenfold. Who said that? Because it was God himself that said if anyone killed Cain, that there would be revenge sevenfold on them. So not only does Lamech commit murder, but he also takes it upon himself to be God... in claiming that a much worse vengeance would be taken out upon anyone who murdered him.

I would submit to you my friends that there is much more here than meets the eye concerning the wickedness of this character “Lamech”, who was again fifth in the generation of Cain. And I want us to think about why the wisest King of Israel had fallen. What caused King Solomon to fall? Was it not the many pagan “wives”... that he took that deceived him into worshiping other little “g” gods? How interesting.

As we watch the sin in the hearts of men grow exponentially throughout the first six chapters of Genesis, I find it interesting that our father in heaven gets rid of all the sin on the earth through the great flood. But what happens after the great flood? Sin returns, doesn't it? And just like sin returned after the great flood of Noah's time... Sin will also return after the millennial reign of our Messiah. Who knows that sin will indeed return after the Millennial reign of our Messiah? Once again, we see God working through the “reality of duality” that we so often times see laced throughout scripture. Let's turn back to Revelation 20:7-10:

*Rev 20:7 And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be released from his prison*  
*Rev 20:8 and will come out to deceive the nations that are at the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them for battle; their number is like the sand of the sea.*

*Rev 20:9 And they marched up over the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, but fire came down from heaven and consumed them,  
Rev 20:10 and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.*

How many times have you heard people tell you that the war of God and Magog will be before the millennial reign?

And so once again, we see just how important it is... To test everything!