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Three Women

Who Changed the World

The understanding of a thing, an idea, or a concept goes a long way in seeing the bigger picture and so I believe it applies to this study also. When I first looked at the story of these three women of the Bible, I realized that each of them in their own way changed the world in a way that no man could ever do (except Jesus). What each of these women did during their life can still be found in the world today and will continue until the Lord comes back and sets up His kingdom. In the story of the first one we find a pearl of great truth called ...

"The Mother Prophecy."

I hope you are blessed by reading of this study.

THREE WOMEN WHO CHANGED THE WORLD



any men throughout history have sought for themselves kingdoms and great wealth and all of them, by way of the sword or the gun they conquered. Out of all these great men there was none who managed to change the world and the lives of every single human being like three very special women who were used of God.

1. **Eve,** the mother of all mankind was not always called Eve. It was Adam who changed her name to Eve after the fall. Genesis 5:2 tells us that in the day God created them both, God called them both Adam, meaning "man, or mankind." For the sake of clarity we will side with tradition and call her Eve.

Genesis 3:6, "And when the woman saw that the tree was good (suitable, pleasant) for food and that it was delightful to look at, and a tree to be desired in order to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she gave some also to her husband, and he ate."



Just one single bite and Eve's eyes were opened. She gave to her husband Adam and he willingly ate it knowing it was wrong. His eyes were also opened and they both became aware that they were naked. One bite is all it took and man suddenly found himself in need of a Savior. For the next seven thousand years sin would be a part of the human heart. Every single man and women affected because Eve believed what the serpent said that *"your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil"*(Gen. 3:4-5) Eve had never experienced a lie before and this sounded pretty good to her, to be like God, so she took a bite. The aftermath is history ...

THE MOTHER PROPHECY¹



fter the fall of Adam and Eve, the scriptures give us an account of the punishment God gave to both of them and to Satan the snake. It is a very important prophecy that is worth a second look. In one simple verse, God gave an overview of the entirety of redemptive

history.

Genesis 3:15, "And I will put *enmity* between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; it shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

<u>Note:</u> "enmity," is defined as being opposed to, or hostile to, a deep-rooted hatred for someone, or a group, strife.

Eve, the mother of all humanity sinned, and God declared from that day forward there would be hostility between herself and Satan. Beyond this, Satan's "seed," or followers, would be at enmity with the offspring of Eve, those who did not follow Satan. But even more important, Satan's seed would be at war with the "SEED," which is the Messiah, and His followers (ie: good vs. evil).

According to this ancient prophecy, history would tell the story of the people of Satan in conflict with the people of God. Then comes the glorious promise that although Satan would merely bruise the heel of the Messiah, in the end, the Messiah will crush the skull of Satan as well as his followers.

In this single verse, in one brief declaration, we have a synopsis of redemptive history. It then becomes for us a type of "**MOTHER PROPHECY**" of which <u>all other prophetic promises concerning the Messiah</u> come from.

¹ "The Mideast Beast" by: Joel Richardson pg.16

THE FULFILLING OF THE MOTHER PROPHECY

Two part prophecy:

3:15a "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed;"

As stated earlier "ENMITY," is defined as being opposed to, or hostile to, a deep-rooted hatred for someone. History has proved this to be true and accurate. As all men are born of the woman, there are always those who will choose the darker side as they align themselves with the evil and self-centerness of this world. There are also those who will choose righteousness and the good that is in the world and by their very nature choose to serve God.

These two opposites have been engaged in war, fighting and killing each other since Cain killed his brother Abel. As long as there is a sin nature there are those who will choose it over God. There will be six thousand years of the seed of Satan fighting the seed of Eve. There will be no end in sight until the King of all Kings comes and puts a stop to all the madness and killing.

3:15b "it shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

In this second half of the prophecy God is speaking directly to Satan. The word translated "bruise" in reference to the head would be better translated "crush." God is saying that His Son "His heel" will crush your (Satan) head, while you (Satan) will bruise his (Jesus) heel. Let's look at what happened in history that would begin the fulfillment of the second half of the prophecy.

This takes us first to the story of **David and Goliath**.

Here is the short version for the sake of time. Goliath was a very large man anywhere from 6'-9" to 9'-9". He came from the town of Gath (1 Sam.17:4) and was the chief warrior and champion of the Philistine army. He came out onto the field of battle and challenged anyone from Israel to come out and fight him and thus settle the battle that way.

David on the other hand was just a teenager who had come out of the fields tending sheep and now was the shield-bearer and harpist to King Saul. David grew tired of hearing Goliath taunting God's people so he volunteered to go and kill the pagan Philistine.

> 1 Samuel 17: 49-51, ⁴⁹ "And David put his hand into his bag and took from it a stone and slung *it*, and struck the Philistine



on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, so that he fell on his face to the ground. ⁵⁰ Thus David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, and he struck the Philistine and killed him; but there was no sword in David's hand.⁵¹ Then David ran and stood over the Philistine and took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him, and cut off his head with it."

To the victor goes the spoils of war and so David not only kept the head of Goliath, but his armor also. His greatest trophy however was the head which was so large that David needed both hands to carry it, or he simply dragged it behind him. David took the head of Goliath to Jerusalem, but his armor he put in his tent (1 Samuel 17:51–54).

The Jews would not have permitted the Gentile giant's head to be buried within the city walls. It would have been buried outside the city walls. David took it outside of the city to a hill just outside the walls and buried it there. This place became known as the "place of the skull" and not just any skull, but the skull of Goliath. The hill became known by another name which is "Golgotha" The term is a corruption of Hebrew for "Goliath of Gath": Goliath Gath > GoliGath > GolGatha.

THE CRUSHING OF THE HEAD

AND THE BRUISING OF THE HEAL

Let's take a second and look back at the prophecy of Genesis 3:15b "... it shall bruise your *[Satan]* head, and you shall bruise his *[Jesus]* heel." For this we take a look at the crucifixion of Jesus.

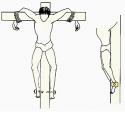
Mark 15:22, "They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means "the place of the skull")."

Luke 23:33, "When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals--one on his right, the other on his left."

It is noteworthy to mention at this point, that the two feet of the one being nailed to the cross was not nailed on top of each other as traditionally shown. The feet were nailed to opposite sides of the upright beam.² A nail was then driven through the heal bone and into the wood, making sure the body would not come off the cross. A fulfillment of Genesis 3:15.

What does all this mean?

² https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crucifixion#Nail_placement



Many times in scripture Jesus claimed to be the son of David, King of Israel.³ David was the one who slew Goliath and buried his head on Golgotha. It was the same hill in which Jesus was crucified. The cross of Jesus was standing on the skull of Satan's champion Goliath, in essence "Crushing it." At the same time all Satan could do was to "bruise His (Jesus) heal." A direct fulfillment of the prophecy of Gen 3:15.

"ENMITY between your seed and her seed"

In the first part of the prophecy, Genesis 3:15a "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed." All the wars of history of good vs. evil have been in fulfillment of the first part of the "Mother Prophecy." The seed of Satan is all those who decide to follow Satan and do his bidding here on earth. Satan and his demons will forever be at odds and battle the seed of all those who follow God. It has been the classic battles of right vs. wrong, good vs. evil (nations and/or personal battles) and so it will be until Jesus comes back and puts a stop to it all. Jesus will set up His Kingdom and men will no longer study war and there will peace at last.

Isaiah 2:4, "And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore."

With all this having been said there is another point to mention at this time. Ever since the fall of Lucifer, Satan has sought out ways to ruin God's redemptive plan and scripture tells us of at least four times that he tried.

THE FOUR-FOLD EVIL PLAN

Four Attempts to Ruin God's Plan

- Sin Must Come into the world (Gen. 3:4-6)
- The Corruption of Man's Seed (Gen. 6:1-4)
- The Killing of the Children (Jer. 31:15; Mat. 2:6, 18)
- The Crucifixion (Mat. 37:35-37)

³ Mt.1:1, 12:23; Mk. 12:35; Lu.1:31-33; Acts 13:22-23

The Four Attempts to Ruin God's Plan

#1 – Sin Must Come into the World

How to get sin into the world?

Genesis 3:4-6, "⁴And the serpent said unto the woman, You shall not surely die: ⁵For God knows that in the day you eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and you shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. ⁶And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

Twofold: The sin of Adam and the sin of Eve

Eve's sin: Eve's sin wasn't due to a long thought out process ending in her making a bad decision. Her sin came from what seems to have been a casual conversation with a snake that lied to her, and a spur of the moment decision was made. I think the concept of a lie was something Eve hadn't encountered before. The logic of the lie seems to have intrigued her that she could be like God and know right from wrong. Was that even possible? Eve didn't even know what wrong was. Her innocence was pure, but she wasn't the one with the authority. She didn't know that the snake was using her to get to Adam.

So she listened to the words of the snake (who is Satan) over her husband's words of warning about this tree. Actually I think in the midst of this conversation she just simply took a bite. I'm sure it didn't take long before she began to feel different; she then gave the fruit to Adam.

Notice nothing happened when Eve sinned. All of nature and the garden she lived in, everything she knew didn't change, but she did.

Adam's sin: Adam listened to the words of Eve over the commands of God. His was the greater sin, for it was given to Adam authority *(Dominion)* over the earth and all animals in the air, land and sea, this would also include Eve. The greater responsibility was given to Adam. So it was when Adam willfully disobeyed God that was the moment sin came into the world.

In Genesis 5:2 it says that God called their names "Adam." It wouldn't be until after their sin that (the man) Adam changed the woman's name to Eve because she would be the mother of all living. This shows that Adam could think and make decisions based on his reasoning. It also showed that he had the authority

over Eve to change something that God had done. With that, she would be forever known as Eve, the mother of all living.

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#2 - The Corruption of Man's Seed

Now that sin had entered the world Satan's next attempt was to ruin God's plan to bring His Son into the world, through a Holy People. To this end Satan sought to contaminate the blood line by inter-breeding with the daughters of men. From them came the Nephilim.

Genesis 6:1-4, "And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, ² That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose. ³ And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years. ⁴ There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown."

The corruption of the seed of man was so prevalent on the earth that it was no longer pure human DNA, but a mix of the fallen angels and man. In this state the individual could not be purified by the blood of any sacrifice, or of Jesus. God had a plan to counter this attempt by Satan. In v3 above, God gave man 120 years, and told Noah to build a boat. At the appointed time, it was Noah (his wife), his three sons and their wives and all the animals that God would bring into the Ark. The earth was then purified by the flood, a type of baptism by water spoken of by Peter (1 Peter 3:18-20).

After the flood you can still see signs that the seed of the Nephilim made it through the flood in the wives of the three sons of Noah. If you project this out many generations, you can see Nephilim races and cultures around the world. The scripture record such a place and culture.

The Twelve Spies: (Numbers 13:1-33-14:36), after their experiences at Mt. Sinai, Moses was about to lead Israel across the Jordan River into the land flowing with milk and honey called Canaan. First, Moses sent out 12 spies to get an idea of what was waiting for them in the land of Canaan. The spies came back with reports that it was truly a land

flowing with milk and honey. To prove their point, they brought back huge fruit vines (13:23-27), one grape that would be the entire meal. The men also brought back stories of the giants that were in the land calling them (13:28-33) the descendants of Anak (Sons of the Anakites/Anakim).⁴ The Hebrew spies thought they were descendants of the Nephilim v33. Now you might ask, "I thought the giants all died in the flood of Noah?" and they did. At the time the blood DNA of all men had been corrupt except that of Noah and his family. The corrupt DNA line would have had to come through the three wives of Noah's sons.



Not all Nephilim⁵ were taller than the trees and sat on houses picking their teeth with a tree. The scripture tells us of a giant in the land of the Philistines fighting against the army of Israel named Goliath. Goliath was maybe nine or ten feet tall and powerful, but he was still flesh and blood until he met a skinny teenager who shepherd sheep and knew how to use a slingshot.

The Four Attempts to Ruin God's Plan

#3 - The Killing of the Children

The third attempt came after the birth of Jesus when King Herod realized the wise men were not coming back.

Matthew 2:16, "Then when Herod saw that he had been tricked by the magi, he became very enraged, and sent and slew all the male children who were in Bethlehem and all its vicinity, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had determined from the magi."

Prophecy fulfillment:

Jeremiah 31:15 (NASB), Thus says the LORD, "A voice is heard in Ramah, Lamentation *and* bitter weeping. Rachel is weeping for her children; she refuses to be comforted for her children, Because they are no more."

Matthew 2:18 (NASB), "A voice was heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping *for* her children; and she would not be comforted, because they are not."

⁴ <u>https://www.gotquestions.org/Anakim.html</u>

⁵ <u>https://www.gotquestions.org/giants-in-the-Bible.html</u>

With all the attacks by Satan, at every turn God had an answer and the plan moved forward. Jesus was anywhere from 6 months old to 2 years old when Joseph was told rise up and take his family into Egypt (Matthew 2).

The Four Attempts to Ruin God's Plan

#4 - The Crucifixion

Matthew 37:35-37, ³⁵ And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots. ³⁶ And sitting down they watched him there; ³⁷ And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS."

The crucifixion of Jesus was not a setback for the plan of God. Satan in his misunderstanding of the prophecy thought he would win by Jesus' death on the cross. It was in fact only the fulfillment of the plan of God to redeem all mankind, established from before the foundation of the world (Gen. 1:1, *Beresheet*). This was to be Satan's setback, because death could not hold Jesus, enabling Jesus to literally crush the serpents' head. The killing of Jesus was actually Satan's own undoing. The Genesis 3:15 prophecy tells of Satan's own defeat *"it shall bruise your head."*

What Satan did not understand was that God Himself would incarnate from a woman and that He would become a man and yet still God (*God-man*) in the flesh. I believe Satan's big plan failed because of the way Jesus came into the world.

Jesus, the Son of God did not come into this world having a grand and noble appearance, or twelve legends of angels at His side proving His command authority in the heavens. The Son of God, the creator of the world (Jn.1.1) came into this world in the most humble of places, even among men. In a lowly manger with barely a covering over His mother's head for shelter, is where Mary gave birth to the Son of God.

Satan's hatred for the woman is ongoing and we will see how his hatred for women is playing itself out later in those who follow him and do his bidding. Through the woman a Savior was born and the seed of Satan still fights the seed of God, but even this too will one day come to an end. One day we will study war no more, in the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth.

THE SECOND WOMAN WHO CHANGED THE WORLD

2. **Sarah** wife of Abraham. God made three great promises to Abraham. 1. That he would give the land to his descendants (Gen.12:7). 2. That He would make a great nation from his descendants (Gen.46:3). 3. In Abraham all the families of the earth shall be blessed (Acts 3:24-26; Gal. 3:7-9).

However as the story goes, ten years after the promise, Sarah was still not pregnant, and they were both on the verge of becoming too old to have children. Sarah decided to give her servant Hagar to Abraham, in accordance with the



custom of day, so that Sarah could have a child through her (Genesis 16:2).

Hagar give birth to a son named Ishmael, but Sarah came to despise Hagar and her son. When Ishmael was 14 years old, Sarah then gave birth to her

own son whom they named Isaac. Sarah pleaded with Abraham to send Hagar and her son away and so it was.

Instead of trusting in God and waiting for His promise to come, Sarah made a huge



mistake and tried to solve what she thought was a problem with her. The descendants of Ishmael are today the Muslim people. The descendants of Isaac are the Jewish people of Israel of whom the Messiah would come from two-thousand years later. Today the two brothers are still fighting and their fight touches every nation and people of the world.

Bond and Free

Galatians 4:21-31

²¹ Tell me, you who want to be under law, do you not listen to the law? ²² For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the bondwoman and one by the free woman. ²³ But the son by the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and the son by the free woman through the promise. ²⁴ This is allegorically speaking, for these *women* are two covenants: one *proceeding* from Mount Sinai bearing children who are to be slaves; she is Hagar. ²⁵ Now this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia and corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. ²⁶ But the Jerusalem above is free; she is our mother. ²⁷ For it is written,

"REJOICE, BARREN WOMAN WHO DOES NOT BEAR; BREAK FORTH AND SHOUT, YOU WHO ARE NOT IN LABOR;

FOR MORE NUMEROUS ARE THE CHILDREN OF THE DESOLATE THAN OF THE ONE WHO HAS A HUSBAND."

²⁸ And you brethren, like Isaac, are children of promise. ²⁹ But as at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him *who was born* according to the Spirit, so it is now also. ³⁰ But what does the Scripture say?

"CAST OUT THE BONDWOMAN AND HER SON,

FOR THE SON OF THE BONDWOMAN SHALL NOT BE AN HEIR WITH THE SON OF THE FREE WOMAN."

³¹ So then, brethren, we are not children of a bondwoman, but of the free woman.



Different Covenants

"Cast out the Bondwoman!"

(Sin of Jealousy)
Freewoman
Isaac: Born of a promise
Mother of all
Freedom
Jerusalem from above
Spiritual seed
Persecuted
Accepted in Christ
Inherit the promises

The two Covenants in Galatians 4: 21 through 31, Paul uses an allegory to compare salvation by faith to Salvation by works: the son of the free woman Sarah and the son of the slave woman Hagar.

The Covenant with Abraham: "Then the Lord said to him, no your servant will not be your heir, for you will have a son of your own who will be your heir." (Gen. 16:4) When God called Abram, he promised to make him a "Great nation" (Gen. 12:2). After traveling for 10 years, Abram began to doubt that the promise would be fulfilled: "Look, You have given me no offspring; indeed one born in my house is my heir!" (Gem. 15:3). Therefore, God made a firm Covenant with Abram by walking between the divided bodies of sacrificed animals (Gen.15:9-21). By doing so, God guaranteed his Covenant with his own life. He finally gave his own life on Golgotha to fulfill the promise.

"And Abraham said to God, 'oh that Ishmael might live before you! And as for Ishmael, I have heard you. But my covenant I will establish with Isaac, whom Sarah shall bear to you at this set time next year" (Gen.17:19-21). Abraham's first mistake was to leave the Promised Land and go to Egypt. Some Egyptian slaves that Pharaoh gave to Sarah joined Abraham's Entourage. Hagar was one of them. Sarah was sterile, so after waiting for 10 years, she thought she could have a son by using her slave as a "surrogate mother " to give birth to her child, therefore, Ishmael was the result of human effort (According to the flesh) while Isaac was the son of Sarah and the result of faith (through promise Gal. 4: 23).

"For this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children" (Gal.4:25). The Covenant in Sinai introduced obedience as a response to having faith in the promises and the Divine blessings ("if you will indeed obey my voice," (Ex.19:5). nevertheless, The people couldn't keep that Covenant, since they tried to fulfill it by their own means and regulated Faith to a secondary position (Heb. 4:2; Ex. 19:8). In the same way that Abraham and Sarah tried to help God fulfill his promises. The Israelites sought to turn God's Covenant of Grace into a covenant of works. Hagar symbolizes Sinai in that both revealed human attempts at Salvation by works.

"But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him who was born according to the spirit, even so, it is now" (Gal.4:9). The Jebaizers thought their own works could bring them salvation. The center of the religious life was Jerusalem and the temple. They were actually as slaves as Hagar (Gal.4:25). Salvation by works and salvation by faith is totally incompatible we need to "cast out" one of those two means of Salvation (Gal. 4:30). Ishmael made fun of Isaac to take his inheritance. The "sons of the flesh" also make fun of the "sons of the spirit."

Some people are slaves of their work. We are free in Jesus Christ Our Savior. Some people trust what they can do in this life. We trust what God has also done for us. Some people look at Sinai and try to be saved by their works. We look at Christ and we are saved by faith. Ishmael was violent Isaac was Peaceable. Hagar was a gift from pharaoh, a Slave. Sarah was Abraham's lawful wife. "In your seed all the nations of the Earth shall be blessed" (Gen. 26:4).

THE THIRD WOMAN WHO CHANGED THE WORLD.

3. **Mary** the daughter of Heli descendant of King David through Nathan (1 Ch. 3:5) was promised (espoused) to Joseph (Mat. 1:18), also of the bloodline of King David. The angel Gabriel came to Mary (approx. age 13-15yrs. old) with an announcement to make.

Luke 1:30-31, "³⁰And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for you have found favor with God. ³¹And, behold, you shall conceive in your womb, and bring forth a son, and shall call his name JESUS."



After a brief discussion and a few questions later Mary's response was:

Luke 1:38, "And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to your word. And the angel departed from her."

Mary knew the customs of her people and the consequences for being pregnant outside of marriage. It could mean her life and how could she explain this to Joseph? Yet Mary at such a young age embraced Gabriel's message and became the mother of the Messiah that her people had been waiting for the last two thousand years. Her baby came to save the world from their sins.

THE SEED OF THREE

Of the three women, the actions of the young **Eve** would bring sin into the world through her husband Adam. It would touch every person and the things of the world (all nature), forever, until God removes the curse of sin (Rev.21, 22).

In the time of **Sarah**, sin was already in the world and men struggled to keep God's commandments. Through Sarah's decision, whether right or wrong, two great nations would be born. The nation of Israel, (the descendants of Isaac) and the multi-national people called the Muslims (the descendants of Ishmael), these are the seed of two boys. Their descendants will be like the sand ... too many to number. In this we see end-time prophecy being fulfilled.

The seed of all three women would come together in end-time prophecy, but it will be the Son of **Mary** that will have the last say. He will set up an everlasting kingdom.

The prophecy of Genesis 3:15, is alive and still continues to this day. One day soon the seed of **Eve** will overcome the seed of Satan. The Seed of **Sarah** shall inherit the kingdom of the seed of **Mary**.

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In the first four thousand years since Adam, kings and kingdoms would rise and fall. Sin and death was a common thing, but the great God of heaven wanted a people for Himself. So God called out Abram and by faith Abram followed God to a new land. In this land God made for Himself a great nation and a people that would be called Israel.

Like the nations around them, Israel would sin and after the death of King Solomon the nation split into two (Israel and Judah), Israel to the North with its capital being Samaria, and Judah to the South with its capital being Jerusalem. Now Israel would not repent from her sin and so God sent judgment on His own people. About 700 B.C. the Assyrians invaded from the North and carried away the nation of Israel into captivity and they were dispersed among the nations and became the lost tribes of Israel.

Approximately one hundred years later the Kingdom of Judah followed in the same sin as Israel and would be invaded by King Nebuchadnezzar and the Babylonian army. Many of the people of Judah were carried away into Babylon as slaves and among them was one young teenage boy by the name of Daniel who loved the Lord with all his heart.