

LOOKING AHEAD

Date	Scripture	Message
Nov. 29-30	Genesis 3:14-15	The Promised Child
Dec. 6-7	Genesis 4-9	The Promised Child
Dec. 13-14	Genesis 22:1-18	The Promised Child
Dec. 20-21	2 Samuel 7:1-17	The Promised Child
Dec. 23-24	Matthew 1:18-25	The Promised Child
Dec. 27-28	Ephesians 5:8-16	Annual Examen
Jan. 3-4	Galatians 3:1-9	The Promise Fulfilled
Jan. 10-11	Galatians 3:10-14	The Promise Fulfilled
Jan. 17-18	Galatians 3:15-22	The Promise Fulfilled
Jan. 24-25	Galatians 3:23-29	The Promise Fulfilled

CHRISTMAS AT EMMANUEL

Candlelight, worship, and a message of hope as we remember the birth of Jesus.

Christmas Eve Eve - Dec 23 at 6 PM

Christmas Eve - Dec 24 at 2, 4 and 6 PM

The weekend of Dec 27-28 will be online only- an intentional pause to worship at home, reflect with loved ones, and prepare your heart for the year ahead.



December 6 & 7, 2025 | The Promised Child 2 | Genesis 4-9 | Joshua Wilhite, pastor

A _____ hope is a _____ hope.

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

DEVASTATION

Genesis 4:1 Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD." 2 And again, she bore his brother Abel....

Genesis 4:8And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him.

1. It's easy to lose sight of the promise when life gets _____.

*Genesis 4:25 And Adam knew his wife again, and she bore a son and called his name Seth, for she said, "God has appointed for me another **offspring** instead of Abel, for Cain killed him."*

2. God's final word on Eve isn't about her sin but her HOPE.

a. The Hebrew name "Seth" (שֵׁת) is a play on the word "_____" (שָׁת // saith).

b. The word "_____" (זֶרַע // ze-ra) reveals Eve's focus on God's promise.

*Genesis 4:26 To Seth also a son was born, and he called his name Enosh. **At that time people began to call upon the name of the Lord.***

c. Eve's hope took root in the next _____.

ASK YOURSELF:

- Has my hope in God's promise faltered because of my pain?

3. Durable hope shifts its focus from the pain to the

_____.

DURATION

Genesis 5:1 ***This is the book of the generations of Adam....***

Genesis 5:5 ***Thus all the days that Adam lived were 930 years, and he died.***

Genesis 5:8 ***Thus all the days of Seth were 912 years, and he died.***

Genesis 5:11 ***Thus all the days of Enosh were 905 years, and he died.***

Genesis 5:14 ***Thus all the days of Kenan were 910 years, and he died.***

Genesis 5:17 ***Thus all the days of Mahalalel were 895 years, and he died.***

Genesis 5:20 ***Thus all the days of Jared were 962 years, and he died.***

1. It's easy to lose sight of the promise as _____ flies by.

Genesis 5:23 ***Thus all the days of Enoch were 365 years. 24 Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him.***

Genesis 5:27 ***Thus all the days of Methuselah were 969 years, and he died.***

Genesis 5:28 ***When Lamech had lived 182 years, he fathered a son 29 and called his name Noah, saying, "Out of the ground that the LORD has cursed, this one shall bring us relief from our work and from the painful toil of our hands."***

Genesis 5:31 ***Thus all the days of Lamech were 777 years, and he died.***

Genesis 6:8 ***But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.***

2. God's final word on _____ isn't about his sin but his hope.

- a. He died when Lamech was _____ years old.
- b. Lamech's hope was _____ by Adam's hope.

ASK YOURSELF:

- Has my hope in God's promise wavered in the waiting?

3. Durable hope shifts its focus from the present _____ to the future _____.

DISAPPOINTMENT

Genesis 6:9 ***These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation. Noah walked with God.***

1. It's easy to lose sight of the promise when we mistake God's servants for our _____.

Genesis 9:20 ***Noah began to be a man of the soil, and he planted a vineyard. 21 He drank of the wine and became drunk and lay uncovered in his tent.***

Genesis 9:29 ***All the days of Noah were 950 years, and he died.***

ASK YOURSELF:

- Has my hope in God's promise faltered because of the failure of spiritual leaders?

2. Durable hope shifts its focus from God's servants to God's _____.

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