NOAH AND ADAM

*** NOAH'S TYPOLOGICAL RECAPITULATION OF THE FALL OF MAN ***

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Noah and Adam are related, both seminally and typologically. Consider the following points of typological connection.

- Adam was the seminal head of the human race, and it was his seed that populated the original world before the Flood (Gen1:28); Noah was the seminal head of the human race that began again after the Flood, and it was his seed that re-populated the present world (Gen9:1,19).
- Adam personally sinned by eating the fruit from a forbidden tree (Gen2:17; 3:6); Noah also personally sinned by consuming wine, made from a fruit (i.e., the grape; Gen9:21). The fact that Noah "began to be a husbandman, and he planted a vineyard" (Gen9:20) after the Flood suggests he had a different occupation before the Flood, and he may not have previously eaten grapes/drunk wine. For this and other reasons, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the Garden of Eden was likely the grape vine (Cp., Num6:3-4; Ezek15:2).
- Adam's sin revealed his nakedness (Gen3:7); Noah's sin resulted in his nakedness (Gen9:21).
- Adam's nakedness had to be covered by another, God (Gen3:21); Noah's nakedness had to be covered by another, Shem and Japheth (Gen9:23).
- Adam's sin brought a divine curse that affected him and all his seed; namely, the ground of the earth he was commanded to dress and keep (Gen2:15) rebelled against him, making his labor much more difficult (Gen3:17-19). Noah's sin also brought a divine consequence that affected him and all his seed; the animal kingdom, which was given into his hand, would fear and flee from him, making his stewardship of them much more difficult (Gen9:2).
- Adam's son Cain was cursed by God (Gen4:11); Noah's grandson Canaan was cursed by God (Gen9:25).
- Adam's world was judged and destroyed by a flood; Noah's world will be judged and destroyed by fire (cf. 2Pet3:5-7).