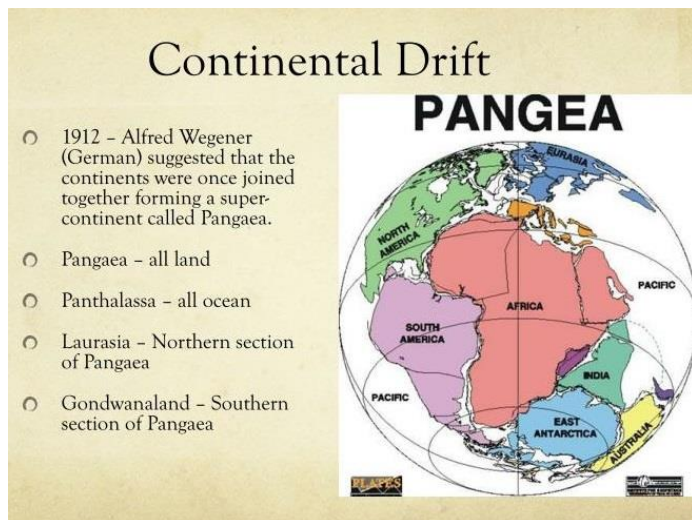


REVELATION: Lesson 147

Interim Lesson: Science Vs. the Bible / God Separates Unbelieving Man

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- Ezekiel 5:5** God set Jerusalem in the midst of the nations. This was true politically, religiously, and geographically.
- For the last 2,000 years, Jerusalem has not been prominent.
 - Today all eyes are on Jerusalem.
- Gen 1:9-10** When God created the Earth, He gathered ALL the dry land into ONE place.
- Gen 2:10** A river went out of Eden. It was parted into four heads (branches).
- These would later feed the Atlantic, Indian, Arctic, and Pacific oceans.
- Gen 11:7-9** The Lord confounded the languages and scattered mankind across the face of the earth. God did not permit man to get together, learn each other's languages, and continue their lives as before.
- Gen 10:25** In the days of Peleg the earth (the mass of land that was in one place) was divided.
- Peleg: "to divide or to irrigate."
 - Archipelago: "First-Sea" (Greek).
 - First there was one landmass. After that, it was irrigated (separated by water).



God divided the land to keep people from getting together, becoming self-reliant, and forgetting Him.

- Today, we have ways to defeat God's barriers and join together with other nations of the world.
 - Satellites, jet planes, internet. These things make us self-sufficient and self-important.

- Gen 15:18-20** Here is the land that God promised to Abraham and his descendants. (Between the Nile and Euphrates Rivers). This is where Eden was located.
- Babylon is just outside of the Promised Land.
 - The Tower of Babel was constructed in Babylon.
 - Nebuchadnezzar constructed his image in Babylon.

Japheth settled northward.

Ham settled toward the southwest.

Shem settled toward the southeast.

(This happened before God divided the land)



Acts 17:24-27 Every person on the face of the earth is of “one blood.” Adam’s blood.

- Even so, God set the boundaries to keep the nations separated.
 - The purpose was to create a situation where men would have to seek the Lord (rather than rely on other men) and be able to find Him.
 - When men join together, they become convinced that they are not sinners.
 - When men are alone, they see more clearly that they are sinners in need of God’s mercy.

Deut 32:7-8 God divided the sons of Adam into 12 nations.

- There will be 12 sheep nations (Matt 25) on earth during the Millennium.
- The Promised Land will be divided into 12 regions.
- There are 12 astrological regions among the stars (for future population).

Num 23:9 God’s chosen people were instructed to separate themselves from the other nations.

Rev 16:20 Every island fled away. No more mountains.

- God will piece the earth back together the way it was at creation.
 - The Lord Jesus’ throne in Jerusalem will be the highest point on the earth (Isa 2:2).
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