



Outline - Sunday, December 18, 2016

Sermon Title: "The Incarnation of Christ According to Divine Prophecy"

Scripture Reading: Genesis 3:1-15

- I. The gospel prophecy of the Seed...in seed form: *Proto-Evangel* - Gen 3:15
 - a. The declaration: Genesis 3:15 is the first mentioning of prophecy, in the midst of the fall, in the midst of judgment. God is the first one to declare and preach it from his own mouth.
 - (*Proto*) first.... (*Evangel*) gospel or good news
 - b. The description: his coming as a seed (offspring/descendent) of the woman
 - He is therefore coming as a male, human being; a son
 - c. The designed end: It is God's will that the seed...
 - Come to *Wage* war with Satan.... Indicating service (servant of the Lord)
 - Come to *Win* that war by crushing, bruising his head.... Indicating success
 - Will be *wounded* by Satan bruising his heel.... Indicating suffering
- II. The gospel prophecy of the Son coming *through* the women: its *progressive* unfolding. Jer 31:22/Is 7:14; 9:6-7
 - a. Jeremiah 31:22 - The Declaration and description of the One prophesied mentioned and expanded Man (*geber*) = strong man, warrior (emphasizing strength or ability to fight).
 - b. Isaiah 7:14 - Prophecy of the incarnation further developed
 - That this woman is a virgin... indication that the source of the seed is not from man, and that his birth will be different from all natural births (miracle/sign of grace)
 - That this son's nature is divine/equal with God (Immanuel = "God with us")...
 - He is concluded to be both the Son of God, and the Son of Man -
Dan 7:13-14/Prov 30:4/Is 9:6-7
- III. The Gospel prophecy of the Success of the seed.... servant: The *purpose* of his coming. Mic 5:2/Ps 110/Heb 2:16-18/Phil 2:5-11
 - a. Success in what? The reversal of the curse, the redemption of the elect and the ruin of Satan Genesis 3:15/Is 25:7-9/Heb 2:14-15/1 John 3:8
 - b. Success how? In his mediatorial offices - King/Priest/Mic 5:2/Matt 2:6/Ps 110/Heb 2:16-18
 - c. Synopsis of the Seed to the Success; Phil 2:5-11/Ps 110:1-7
 - Matthew's Gospel - Jesus, the Promised seed and King arrives - Matt 1:1; 2:6
 - Luke's Gospel - Jesus, the Perfect Man and Last Adam arrives - Luke 3:23-38
 - John's Gospel - Jesus, the Proto - Evangel (Word) made Flesh - John 1:1, 14