Genesis 9:18-29 (Noah part 4)

& the sons of Noah that went forth of the ark, were Shem, & Ham, & Japheth

& Ham is the father of Canaan

These are the three sons of Noah & of them was the whole earth overspread.

* 3 is significant. Cain thought he would be avenged 7 fold if somebody tried to do him in. His descendant Lamech said that Cain would be avenged seven fold & Lamech 77 fold in his rebellion against God. God said no way & has Lamech, Noach's Dad die at the age of 777 as a sign that God was going to win this battle, even though the evil forces sought to wipe out all the righteous. God starts the new population with 3 sons, Shem[NAME] & Cham[Heat] & Yafet[Expansion] {See 'Noah' in 'Your Grandpas' section of this web site].

& Noah began to be a husbandman, & he planted a vineyard

It doesn't mean that he wasn't a farmer before. It means that when he first started farming after the Flood, one of the first things he did was plant a vine yard. It indicates that the incident recorded next happened when he first began farming after the Flood, & not 350 years later or sometime in-between. It only takes about 4 years to get a decent harvest. Canaan would have still been a baby or a toddler when this incident occurred. The fossil record indicates that before the Flood, the oxygen content of the air was denser by anywhere from 50% to 110% [I have heard this said several times, but I am still looking for more references. The only one I have at the moment is the one on Amber.] Because of the air being denser, prior to the Flood, it would have taken longer for wine to ferment because the fermentation process was squelched by the density of the air. [It's also probably the reason why people lived to be great ages before the Flood... Their oxygen intake was greater!] After the Flood, the air became less denser, so wine began to be fermented at a faster rate. Noah was about to make this discovery! Being drunk was not a normal thing that he did. [There's even at least one Flood legend that refers to this as being an accident.] The response of Shem & Yafet strengthens this argument.

& he drank of the wine, & was drunken; & he was uncovered within his tent

Apparently, because of the context, it was something totally out of character for Noah to do this. If this had been his normal course of action, the response would have been entirely different. If he had gotten drunk on a regular basis, Shem & Yafet would never have given him that kind of respect.... ask anybody who has had alcoholic parents!
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**KJV** & Ham the father of Canaan saw the nakedness of his father, & told his two brothers without

* Hiphil Hebrew verb stem, which means: ‘he (Cham) caused them to know about it’ He didn’t have to tell them. He could have just quietly covered him up & said he was asleep, & let Noah confess to it when he awoke. These guys would have been on their best behavior most of their lives out of fear of being left to drown in the Flood. We on the other hand might not be quite so sensitive to the sin of disrespect to one’s parents. The 3 brothers were all somewhere close to the age of 100 years old.

**KJV** & Shem & Japheth took a garment, & laid it upon both their shoulders

* ‘shoulders-of’ 4 shoulders are involved here! ‘shechem’ #7926 in the Strongs concordance says ‘The neck between the shoulders as the place of burden’.

**KJV** & went backwards, & covered the nakedness of their father;

**KJV** & their faces were backward, & they saw not their father’s nakedness

**KJV** & Noah awoke from his wine, & knew what his younger son had done unto him

**KJV** & he said

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Cursed be Canaan

servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren

Blessed be the God of Shem

& Canaan shall be his servant

& God shall enlarge Japheth

& he shall dwell in the tents of Shem

*can be either 3rd person plural masculine or 3rd person singular masculine. It’s probably both!

So which is it? Elohay is a version of Elohim, which is plural. Before the Flood, Noah was preaching that the Name of YAHWEH would be the only Name that was worshipped.

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Noach’s Prophesy:
9:25-27... Here’s how the whole thing reads with the literal translation from the Hebrew:
& he said, “Cursed humble servant of servants he shall be to his brothers.”
& he said, “Blessed is YAHVEH God of Name & is humble servant to them/to Him.
Shall expand Elohim to expansion & he shall dwell in tents of Name.
& shall be humble servant to them/to him/to Him.

Sounds like Isaiah 52:13 to 53:12. Noach knew that all of us were going to need a Redeemer. He put his precious baby grandson in that place. If you look at the genealogy of Yeshua, the only other people group outside of Abraham’s descendants is Canaanites through Tamar & Rahab, & also Chanaan’s daughter marrying Shelah in Luke 3:35-36 (It’s legitimate because in verse 23 Joseph, who is a son-in-law to Heli, is also listed, & Luke was a missionary along with Paul to Heth’s descendants, the Hitittes, whose descendants were some of the first Gentiles to hear the Gospel)

[KJV] & Canaan shall be his servant

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