

SALT Church

Genesis 6:9-22

“The End of All Flesh...”

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“In the Beginning”

Genesis 6:1-8

⁵ Then Yahweh saw that the evil of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

We had the corruption of mankind.

- The demonization of marriage and family.
- The glorification of evil men.
 - All of which lead to God deciding to destroy man and the earth with a global flood.
 - A flood that is evidenced by fossil records and the continuance of seismic shifts in the form of earthquakes and tsunamis.
- But we also have evidence of God’s grace in this event

⁸ But Noah found favor in the eyes of Yahweh.

- This is the grace of God.

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9 These are the generations of Noah.

- This will be the third genealogy account so far in Genesis.
- Like Adam, the Bible will record three sons for Noah.
 - Two sons that are blessed and one that is cursed (just like Adam)

Noah was a righteous man,

- What do we know about Noah?
- Why would Moses write such a thing about a man that was clearly flawed?
- Who determines if someone is a righteous?
- How does God determine if someone is righteous?

Hebrews 11:7

7 By faith Noah, being warned about things not yet seen, in reverence prepared an ark for the salvation of his household, by which he condemned the world, and became an heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

How does God determine if someone is righteous?

- It is by their faith.
- In other words, Noah was credited with righteousness because he believed God.
 - There will not be a single unrighteous person in Heaven.

So, God tells Moses to write “**Noah was a righteous man**” and this should be a comfort to all of us who are trying to walk with God through faith. (WHY?)

- Like Noah, we will have failures and there will be forgiveness.
- Not because of who we are but because of who He is.

blameless among *those in his generations*.

- Does this mean that Noah was without sin? (no)
- It means that Noah did his best to walk with God and the demonized world around him saw it.
- It means that Noah did have failures, but he was quick to confess and repent and therefore was blameless before his accusers.

Noah walked with God.

- Like Adam and Enoch before him, Noah enjoyed and intimacy with God was very rare even among the righteous men of the Old Testament.

¹⁰ And Noah became the father of three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

- The parallels between Adam and Noah are striking.
- The Bible names three sons for both with one of the three cursed.
- Both are care takers of the animals.
- Both will populate and repopulate the earth through their families.
- Both will fail God at the temptation of fruit.
- Both walk with God.

¹¹ Now the earth was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.

- This is the completion of sin, and this is the future of the earth.
- We must remember what we have learned from Romans 1
 - Rejection of the knowledge of God
 - Leads to idol worship (a god of your own creation)
 - Leads to violence and perversion.
 - Which leads to a depraved mind and total destruction.

¹² And God saw the earth, and behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth.

- In 1656 years man had taken God's perfect creation and totally corrupted it.
- Sin, evil, and violence ruled everyone and everything except Noah and his family.
- Think about the population of the world at this point.
 - People are living to be 800-900 years old.
 - Ponder this:
 - 1804 1 billion people
 - 1927 2 billion people
 - WWII
 - 1960 3 billion people
 - 1975 4 billion people
 - 1987 5 billion people
 - 1998 6 billion people

- 2010 7 billion people
- 2022 8 billion people
 - 218 years worth of growth

We can only imagine a world where people live longer and no great wars have occurred nor any major outbreaks of illness.

¹³ Then God said to Noah, “The end of all flesh has come before Me;

- This is God’s way of saying I have had enough.
- The same could be said of Sodom and Gomorrah
 - God said that if there were 10 righteous people within those two cities that He would not destroy them but once again we see God saving one righteous man and his family.

for the earth is filled with violence because of them; and behold, I am about to destroy them with the earth.

- For years I have stated that you don’t have to memorize the entire Bible if you understand the nature of God.
- GOD HATES SIN!
- Sin is what nailed Jesus to the cross.
- Sin will be the all consuming enemy of mankind.
- Sin is rebellion against God.
- Sin is a lack of faith in God and His Word.
- The wages of sin is death every single time!

- GOD HAS NOT CHANGED HIS MIND ABOUT SIN!
- God judges' sinners
- God also saves sinners

Now God shares with Noah His plan of protection

¹⁴ Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood; you shall make the ark with rooms, and you shall cover it inside and out with pitch.

- We have no idea what gopher wood is, some say it is cypress wood.
- Tebah is the Hebrew word used here.
 - It means “a box”
- This word is used one other time in scripture (Moses' basket)
 - It too was covered with pitch and was used to save Moses' life.
- Noah was be used to lead a new world of people
- Moses would be called to lead God's people out of Egypt.
 - Both men save by God through an ark
 - Both men spoke with God

¹⁵ Now this is how you shall make it: the length of the ark 300 cubits, its breadth 50 cubits, and its height 30 cubits.

- A cubit is 18 inches or 1 ½ feet
 - 300 cubits = 450 feet in length
 - 50 cubits = 75 feet width
 - 30 cubits = 45 feet tall
 - Keep in mind it is a floating box, no rudder, no sail, it's captain was God Himself.

16 You shall make a window for the ark and complete it to one cubit from the top;

- 1 ½ feet separation for fresh air and light.
- This leads me to believe that there was an open atrium within the box.

and set the door of the ark in the side of it; you shall make it with lower, second, and third decks.

- This is a rather large floating box.
- Keep in mind that in the history of ship building we did not achieve this size again until the 19th century.
- This door could only be opened by God and closed by God.

17 As for Me, behold I am bringing the flood of water upon the earth, to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life, from under heaven; everything that is on the earth shall breathe its last.

- I bring these things to your attention because some say that this was a local flood.
 - Everything on the earth shall breathe its last.

18 But I will establish My covenant with you; and you shall enter the ark—you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you.

- Have you noticed that Noah hasn't said anything?
- God's covenant promise was salvation for Noah and his family and later He will add a promise to never destroy the earth with water again.

- Noah's part in the covenant was to have faith in what God said.
 - This faith will be tested as it will take 120 years to build this huge ark.
 - Do not overlook the impact a faithful man has over his family.
 - Noah lead and his family followed.

¹⁹ And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every *kind* into the ark, to keep *them* alive with you; they shall be male and female.

- One of the things that the Answers in Genesis say as well as the “Ark Museum” say is that they believe that the animals were very young and perfect.
 - Young because they would require less space and food.
 - Perfect for they had not yet been tainted by adult parents.
 - I should also remind you that at this point God had not given man nor animal permission to eat meat.
 - This does come later in the Genesis account.
 - We are also reminded that in the Millennial Kingdom the lion and the sheep will both eat grass.

²⁰ Of the birds after their kind, and of the animals after their *kind*, of every creeping thing of the ground after its kind, two of every *kind* will come to you to keep *them* alive.

- “every kind” meaning wolves and dogs are of the same kind.
- Zebras, horses, and donkeys are of the same kind.

Now I should also bring this to your attention from chapter 7

² You shall take with you of every clean animal by sevens, a male and his female; and of the animals that are not clean, two, a male and his female; ³ also of the birds of the sky, by sevens, male and female, to keep their seed alive on the face of all the earth.

- What is all of that about?
 - The flood was devastating, and I can only imagine being on a floating barn with three daughters-in-law's who have just realized that all of their family and friends are dead.
 - So, what are the extra clean animals for?
 - There will be an altar built in which a sacrifice will be made for how God saved this family.
 - There will be hope in the sacrifice and it will be the place that Noah and his family will start anew.

²¹ As for you, take for yourself some of all food which is edible, and gather it to yourself; and it shall be for food for you and for them.”

- “Take all things edible”
 - They will be on the boat for 371 days.
 - They will need a lot of food.
 - One thing I remember from the Ark Exhibit was the huge pantry areas.
 - Not only did they take food, but they would have brought plants that bore food.
 - Seeds of all types.

²² Thus Noah did; according to all that God had commanded him, so he did.

- This is a fitting end to chapter 6.
- In this chapter we have the completion of sin
 - The judgement of God
 - The grace of God
 - The salvation of God
 - And the obedience of the righteous man named Noah.

Noah's name means, "rest or comfort"

- For 120 years Noah had listened to the ridicule.
- For most of his life he had become an object of disdain.
 - Now, although very painful for sure, Noah and his family will have rest.
 - So it will be with all of God's chosen people.