

NOAH & CO (Genesis 8-9)

Beginnings

Discussion Questions

- **How do you see the book of Genesis differently after seeing the pattern of chaos, creation, commission, corruption, and curse repeated in the first 9 chapters of the book?**
 - What does this teach us about humanity historically?
 - What does this teach us about how to interpret the rest of the Bible?
- **Read Genesis 9:22-28**
 - What do you notice about this situation between Noah and his sons?
 - Though the author is unclear about exactly what Ham did, how does Noah's response show the severity of Ham's actions?
 - What does Ham's son, Canaan, have to do with Ham's actions?
 - How do the actions and blessing of Shem and Japheth stand in contrast to those of Ham?
- **What does this pattern of corruption, curse, and chaos teach us about ourselves?**
 - How do you see this pattern show up in your life?
 - What consequences are you living with due to sin patterns of others?
 - What consequences are you living with due to your own sin?
- **Read Genesis 9:8-17**
 - What do you notice about God's covenantal promise?
 - This covenant comes before the corruption of Noah and Ham. What does that timing tell us?
 - How does our brokenness reveal God's covenant love for us instead of revoking it?
- **What does the Noahic Covenant teach us about God?**
 - With whom is this covenant made?
 - Who is responsible for remembering it?
 - What are the conditions of this covenant?
 - What does this covenant point to?
- **Read Luke 22:14-20**
 - How does the Noahic covenant point to the New Covenant of Jesus' blood?
 - What are the conditions of this covenant for those in Christ?
 - How does this covenant affect our lives moving forward?
 - What's one way God is inviting you to stand on his New Covenant promise?
- **Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-21**
 - What stands out to you about this passage?
 - How does the new covenant of Jesus' blood lead to followers of Jesus being made new creations in Christ?

- **How is God calling you to live as a New Creation in Christ?**