

“After the Flood”
Genesis 9:8–24
Mt Lassen Community Church • July 13, 2025

Intro •

Opening • Ephesians 4:32 • *“forgiving each other just as God in Christ also has forgiven you”*

Outline • *Covenant; Carelessness; Cruelty; & Compassion*

Vs 8–11 • God makes a covenant without conditions; this is HIS promise, not ours! (See Gen. 8:21)

Vs 12–15 • The Hebrew word is NOT “rainbow”—it is God’s WAR BOW, which has been laid to rest after the flood. To the Hebrew, the rainbow was seen as God’s weapon, put down after His wrath was completed.

Discuss • *How can Christians wisely and effectively reclaim the original meaning of the “rainbow” in a way that brings people to Jesus?*

Vs 18–21 • Noah’s **CARELESSNESS** • Even “righteous” and “blameless” Noah has the capacity to sin! And his carelessness brings about great consequences in his family and in history.

Vs 22 • Ham’s **CRUELTY** • Ham is cruel towards his father: he sees Noah in his drunken, naked stupor, and he “tells” his brothers about it. The inference is that Ham is mocking his father, dishonoring him—because his brothers do the opposite! Compare Ham’s actions to **Eph. 5:11–14**

Vs 23–24 • Shem & Japheth demonstrate **COMPASSION** • They aren’t *covering up* Noah’s sin—that has already been done by Noah’s faith! No, they are covering up Noah’s *shame*. They are treating him with dignity! (See **John 8:3–11** & **James 2:13**)

Discuss • *Why is human dignity so important, and why is attacking the dignity of others such a popular pastime on social media?*

Discuss • *What is the right way to handle a brother or sister in sin?*

BIG LESSON • Ham played the role of satan in the Gospel; Shem & Japheth played the role of Jesus in the Gospel!

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Children join in with the adult worship service. **Classes** are offered at the **10:30 service**, and the kids are dismissed after worship. Childcare is also provided for **Thursday Night Study!**

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Prayer partners are available after every church service. Please meet us up front after service and let us pray with you.

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Upcoming Events –

Thursday Bible Study • 6-7pm; Childcare provided!

Annual Business Meeting • July 20, after service

Summer Baptism • TBA, but signup now!

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