# NOAH AND HAM

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God Has Declared His Promise That The Seasons Will Continue -No More Cursed Ground -- Never Again Will All Living Creatures
Go Thru A World-wide Flood

#### This Is A Promise From God Himself

- We Can Depend On The Promises Of God
- We Can Believe Them
- We Can Build Our Lives Around Them
- A Promise From God Is A Statement We Can Depend On With

**Genesis 9:18–19 (NIV)** — **18** The sons of Noah who came out of the ark were Shem, Ham and Japheth. (Ham was the father of Canaan.) **19** These were the three sons of Noah, and from them came the people who were scattered over the whole earth.

 Noah And His Sons Produced People Who Were Scatted Over The Earth

• Everything Was Going Well -- Until It Wasn't

Q. After Noah Was Obedient And Man Was Allowed A "New Beginning," Did Evil Disappear From The Earth?

A. No. <u>The nature of sin</u>, transmitted from Adam, <u>was</u> <u>still in man</u>.

Greatest Times Of Challenge Are Not After Defeat—but After Victory

#### Overconfidence – And Self-pride Will Keep You From Ongoing Victory

• (Prov 16:18 NIV) Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.

#### We Must Not Rely On Yesterday's Victory

- Noah Needed A Today Word & Strategy
- The nature of sin, transmitted from Adam, was still in man.

#### In The Time Of Trouble The Wise Turn To God

- (Psa 34:17 NIV) The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.
- Complete Dependence On God Leads To Success After Success
- Victory After Victory
- We Can't Afford To Go To Sleep On The Enemy
- We Are Most Succeptible To This Power Sapping Strategy Of Satan When We Have Just Seen A Great Victory Or Success

That Part Of Noah's Problem Was... The Failure To Pray:

Noah Was Fresh Off The Greatest Victory Of His Life-- Perhaps He Presumed It Would Always Be That Way

We Must Be People Of Prayer -- All The Time-- Every Day

# After the flood, the evil began to develop in the person of Ham, one of Noah's sons.

• Genesis 9:20-23 (NIV) <sup>20</sup> Noah, a man of the soil, proceeded to plant a vineyard. <sup>21</sup> When he drank some of its wine, he became drunk and lay uncovered inside his tent. <sup>22</sup> Ham, the father of Canaan, saw his father's nakedness and told his two brothers outside. <sup>23</sup> But Shem and Japheth took a garment and laid it across their shoulders; then they walked in backward and covered their father's nakedness. Their faces were turned the other way so that they would not see their father's nakedness.

- Noah Has Now Become A Farmer --He Plants A Vineyard
- From His Vineyard He Makes Some Wine -- Drinks It And Gets Drunk
- This Preacher Of Righteousness Gets So Drunk --- That He Loses His Inhibitions – Get's Naked In His Tent --He Passes Out
- His Drunkenness Led To His Exposure & Nakedness

- Without Self-control We Are Out Of Control
- Drunkenness leads to exposure in one way or another

Be Careful: If It Happened To Noah It Can Surely Happen To You

- The Bible doesn't excuse the sins of the Men And Women Of God but mentions them as warnings
- There's always a price to pay.

Noah was not ignorant...He was no helpless victim. He passed out because his drinking had gone out of control. Hughes, R. K

- Noah Had Driven His Own Destruction.
- He Is Now Covered W/ Shame And Disgrace And He Has Uncovered Himself Of His Clothing...
- People Who Engage In Sexual Immorality Often Do So In Conjunction With Alcohol... The Abuse Of Alcohol Dulls The Senses And The Sensitivity To Nakedness And Shame

- The Bible Teaches Us That To Have Naked Exposed To All Is Shameful
- Exodus 20:26 (NIV) And do not go up to my altar on steps, lest your nakedness be exposed on it.'

#### Isaiah Addresses Babylon

• Isaiah 47:3 (NIV) Your nakedness will be exposed and your shame uncovered. I will take vengeance; I will spare no one."

In The Old Testament... That Respect For The Person, In Israel, Always Involved The Covering Of The Sexual Parts

- Ham Saw His Father Noah.. Naked And Talked About His Father's Nakedness --He Was Gloating --Something He Should Have Covered He Coarsely Celebrated
- The Word "Naked" Used Here Represents (Uncovered) Male Or Female Sexual Organs
- To uncover one's nakedness is a frequent euphemism for cohabitation -- or sexual intercourse
- Vine's Complete Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words

- To See Or Uncover Nakedness Is Expressly Forbidden
- Read: Leviticus 18:6-19 (NIV) (NKJV)
- Ham Thought It Was Funny That His Dad Was Drunk And Naked In His Tent
- And Instead Of Covering Him --He Made Matters Worse Uncovering His Fathers Nakedness To His Brothers

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- HAM'S ACTIONS LED TO NOAH CURSING HIM
- Genesis 9:25–27 (NIV) 25 he said, "Cursed be Canaan! The lowest of slaves will he be to his brothers." 26 He also said, "Praise be to the LORD, the God of Shem! May Canaan be the slave of Shem. 27 May God extend Japheth's territory; may Japheth live in the tents of Shem, and may Canaan be the slave of Japheth."

 While Ham Was Dishonoring To Noah -- Shem And Japeth Showed Love

- WHY WAS HAM'S SON CANAAN SINGLED OUT?
- Many Times We See The Sins Of The Parents Visiting Their Kids
- What Parents Allow In Moderation Their Kids Will Do In Excess
- An Angry Parent Has An Angry Child
- An Addicted Parent Has An Addicted Child
- An Abusing Parent... Has A Child That Is Also Abusive
- What A Sad Thing Sin In A Parent Is --It Often Does Have Lingering Effects In The Children

 Ham's fault was not merely witnessing his father's nakedness, but openly expressing satisfaction at his father's shame.

 Ham caused lasting damage to his family, resulting in a curse on his descendants that would affect his father's reputation.

 After Noah sobered up, he became aware of Ham's misconduct (v. 24), though how he discovered what his youngest son had done is not specified.

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- The language suggests that Ham's offense was more than voyeurism
- Faithlife Study Bible

# **Ham's Sin Undermined Family Stability;** Dishonoring His Father.

- Was It A Sin Of A Sexual Nature?
- Was Noah Molested Or Castrated?
- Did Ham Violate Noah's Wife, And Give Birth To Canaan?
- Was There Some Sort Of Homosexual Sin?
- There Are Different Explanations As To Why Ham And His Son Canaan Received This Curse From Noah...

 Perhaps The Best Explanation Of What Ham Did... Was That He Disrepected And Dishonored His Father...

 And The Bible Tells Us That Children Must Respect Their Parents And That It Will Have An Effect On Their Lives

 What Are Some Of The Lessons We Can Take From This Passage Tonight:

 Though Many People And Many Creatures Were Destroyed In The Flood --Sin Was Not Destroyed

• We Must Not Go To Sleep And Relax Even When It Seems That We Have It All Together

- We Are Never Too Old To Sin... We Are Never Immune From The Attack Of The Enemy...
- We Must Not Give Satan A Foothold Or He Will Attack Us
- Noah's Fall Teaches Us To Be Awake And Alert Don't Ever Relax On Your Faith

- Continue To Work Out Your Salvation With Fear And Trembling!
- If Noah Was Susceptible -- So Are You And I

- When We See Sin In Others Especially Our Closest Family--Our Parents Do We Cover Or Do We Uncover?
- Proverbs 10:12, "Love covers all sins
- (Prov. 17:9, NKJV) "**He who covers a transgression seeks love**" **(12:16, NKJV) "a prudent man covers shame"**
- Ham is not blamed for stumbling upon his drunken father. What he is censored for is his failure to cover up his father's shame, and his gossip to his brothers.

- Ham ... Uncovered His Father's Nakedness
- Shem & Japeth ... They Covered The Nakedness Of Their Dad
- There Are Two Groups Of People... Those Who Expose Their Own Nakedness & The Nakedness Of Others – And Those Who Cover Their Own Nakedness And The Nakedness Of Others...

• When It Is Someone Whom We Have Relationship With... We In Love Can Point Out Sin... So As To Save And Heal And Deliver Our Family... And Our Brothers And Sisters In Christ...

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 But... One Thing We Cannot Do... Is To Talk About It... And Uncover It Gloatingly... Like It Is Some Kind Of Religious Sport

- If You Choose Today To Be Like Shem And Japheth—to Cover The Nakedness Of Others—you Will Be Likewise Covered When You Fail.
- Luke 6:36-38 (NIV) <sup>36</sup> Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. <sup>37</sup> "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. <sup>38</sup> Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

 Love doesn't cleanse sin, for only the blood of Christ can do that (1 John 1:7);

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 Love Doesn't Condone Sin, For Love Wants God's Very Best For Others.

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- But Love Does Cover Sin and doesn't go around exposing sin and encouraging others to spread the bad news.
- Warren Wiersbe

- 2 Corinthians 7:1 (NIV) Since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.
- Stay Away From Any Garbage That Can Contaminate

Walk Away From The Garbage Can. There's Nothing In There
 That Belongs In You