

Covenant [God's Promise To Noah]

Discussion Guide

Summary

This sermon focuses on the concept of covenant, specifically examining God's covenant with Noah after the flood. We emphasize that while human promises can be broken, God's covenants are eternal and unchangeable. The message explores how God's promise to never again destroy the earth by flood (symbolized by the rainbow) demonstrates His faithfulness, mercy, and grace, despite humanity's continued sinfulness.

Intro Prayer

Heavenly Father, as we gather to discuss Your faithfulness through Your covenants, we ask that You open our hearts and minds to understand the depth of Your promises. Help us to recognize how Your ancient covenants still impact our lives today, and guide our discussion to draw us closer to You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Ice Breaker

Share about a time when someone kept an important promise to you. How did that make you feel?

Key Verses

- Deuteronomy 7:9
- Genesis 6:9-14
- Genesis 9:9-15
- 1 John 1:9
- Revelation 3:20

Questions

- What is the significance of God choosing Noah as the only 'blameless' person on Earth at that time?
- How does the rainbow's true meaning as a covenant symbol impact your view of it today?
- In what ways do you see God's mercy being displayed in the story of Noah?
- How does God's faithfulness to His covenant with Noah encourage you in your faith journey?
- What parallels can you draw between the ark as salvation from the flood and Jesus as salvation from sin?
- How does God's promise to Noah demonstrate His character?
- What does it mean to you personally that God keeps His promises even when we are unfaithful?
- How can we better live as people of covenant in our relationships with God and others?

Life Application

This week, each time you see a rainbow or experience rain, take a moment to reflect on God's faithfulness in keeping His promises. Write down specific promises from Scripture that you can claim in your own life, and spend time thanking God for His covenant faithfulness.

Key Takeaways

- God is faithful and always keeps His promises
- God shows mercy even when we deserve judgment
- Jesus is our refuge and the only way to salvation
- God's covenants are eternal and unchangeable
- God desires a personal relationship with each of us

Ending Prayer

Lord God, thank You for being a covenant-keeping God who never fails to fulfill Your promises. Help us to trust in Your faithfulness, even when we struggle to be faithful ourselves. May we live as people who reflect Your covenant love to others, and may we always remember that Your promises are sure. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.