

# The Ark of Safety

A large, multi-story wooden ark is shown floating on a dark, stormy sea. The ark has several windows, some of which are illuminated from within. The sky is dark and filled with heavy rain, which is falling in a dense pattern across the entire scene. The waves are dark and turbulent, with white foam visible at the base of the ark. The overall atmosphere is one of a severe weather event.

Genesis 7

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# REVIEW IT!

Before the flood, wickedness, and evil were everywhere. People multiplied and filled the entire earth doing as they pleased motivated by their evil thoughts. People were also violent and doing all kinds of wrong. They treated others with cruelty and contempt, intending to cause harm to others. Corruption had overtaken the earth during this time, demonstrated by people practicing idolatry and forfeiting morals. What God intended for good when he created the universe, man and all its inhabitants, destroyed with wickedness and evil.

The flood was a time when those who did not trust God through the preaching of Noah, would perish physically from the earth. Today if we choose to walk in our flesh and ignore God's call to salvation, we will die spiritually. God desires that we will walk as Noah having faith in the things unseen and accepting God's grace through His only Son Jesus Christ.

READ IT!



The Great Flood

Genesis 7

# KEY POINTS!

- A. God gave Noah and his family the freedom to choose safety when the Lord called his name.
- God gave Noah and his family specific instructions.
  - God asked Noah and his family to follow Him in obedience.
  - Noah showed great Faith in believing things unseen (the flood).

## KEY POINTS!

- B. Noah's faith was demonstrated through his obedience.
- Noah did exactly as God commanded trusting God's way and not his (man's) way.
  - Noah left creature comforts from the last 600 years.
  - Noah did not delay, test God, and wait on more proof, he trusted God and acted immediately.

# KEY POINTS!

C. God secured Noah and his family and God secures us.

- God shut Noah into the ark of safety.
- Noah's life was preserved to serve a greater purpose (Jesus came from Noah's bloodline).
- When God calls us like Noah, we too can respond, not delay and experience eternal security in Jesus Christ.

# APPLY IT!

“Christ also brought YOU the truth, which is the good news (gospel of Jesus Christ) about how you can be saved (just like Noah). You put your faith in Christ” and were “SEALED (shut in like Noah in the boat) with the promised Holy Spirit (Our helper until Christ returns).

**NOTE: Taken from various translations in Ephesians 1:13**

# MEMORIZE IT!



“I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know you have eternal life.”

**1 John 5:13 ESV**



# DISCUSS IT!

1. How did God provide safety for Noah and his family? By instructing him to build a boat and shutting him and his family in the boat to escape the flood waters.

2. How did Noah show his faith in God? He obeyed all God had commanded him to do even when he couldn't see what was ahead of him (the flood).

3. Do you think it was difficult to leave behind his creature comforts of food, land and people after living on earth for 600 years? Personal answers

4. Noah's greater purpose did Noah's life serve? Jesus was born from his bloodline.

5. When God calls us to safety, how do we get there? The cross of Jesus Christ.

