

January 3/Day 3

Genesis 8

Verses 1-5

- What do you think this means that God remembered Noah? Does God forget?
- What did God do to cause the water to subside?
- In what way did the water recede?
- Where did the ark come to rest?

Verses 6-12

- What did Noah send out to check if the water had abated?

Verses 13-19

- What was God's instruction to Noah? Did he obey?

Verses 20-21

- What did Noah do to worship the LORD for His protection from the flood?
- Does it make sense now that there were seven of the clean animals rather than just two?
- How did God respond to the offering?
- What did God say He would never do again?

Verse 22

- What does this tell us about God being a God of order and not chaos?

Genesis 9

Verses 1-5

- What did God do to Noah and his sons? What instruction did He give? Have we heard this before?
- What did God give now as food for the humans?
- What was mankind not to eat?
- Where is life found?

Leviticus 17:11, "For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement."

Verse 6

I have heard people claim the Bible contradicts itself because it talks about an eye for an eye, then turning the other cheek. The problem with this is they are comparing apples and oranges. One section is talking about justice in regard to how government works and the other is about how we are to personally respond to people. By the way, turning the other cheek does not mean laying down and being walked over, it's standing firm and offering the other cheek, too.

- What is the context of this verse? He has just said life is in the blood!

Verse 7

- Again, what is the instruction.

Verses 8-17

- Who does God speak to in this passage?
- What does He establish?

This is a solemn binding agreement, which, if broken, was punishable by death.

- Who is the covenant established between? Be thorough.
- What are the terms of the covenant?
- What is the sign by which we remember this covenant? What do we call this sign?
- Who is to be reminded about the covenant when the sign is seen in the clouds? Does He need reminding?
- For how long is this covenant established?
- Again, between whom is this covenant established?

Verses 18-19

- What were the names of Noah's three sons and what are we told about them?

Verses 20-24

- After the flood, what did Noah begin to do?
- What happened when he drank too much?
- How did Ham respond?
- How does this contrast with how Shem and Japheth responded?

Verse 25

- Noah is speaking here, not God. Whom did Noah curse because of Ham's disrespect?

Verse 26

- What did Noah do in regard to Shem?

- What will Canaan be to Shem?

Verse 27

- What did Noah do in regard to Japheth?
- What will Canaan be to Japheth?

Verse 28

- Noah was a righteous man. Not perfect, but right with God. What happened to him at the end of his life?

Genesis 10

Verse 1

- To follow are the descendants of Noah's sons who populated the earth.

Verses 3-5

- For what were Japheth's descendants known? We'll get into the languages, families, and nations later.

Verses 6-14

- What was Cush's son's name? What is he known for? It is possible he was a dinosaur hunter, since two of everything went on the ark. It is possible for small dinosaurs to fit on the ark.
- He had a kingdom in the land of Shinar which contained multiple cities. Do you recognize one of the cities?

Verses 15-20

- Notice the same phrase is used here as in the paragraph about Japheth.

Verses 21-31

- Notice a mention of birth-order here?
- What happened in the days of Peleg?

Do you remember studying about the Pangea in school? This was after the devastation of the flood, so it is very possible this is when the earth split into continents.

Do you notice this same phrase repeated again? Why do you think God repeats?

Verse 32

Okay, so it tells us all the families of the earth were separated by family and language and nation. This is the overview. To follow, Scripture gets more specific about how they divided and separated into nations.

Genesis 11

Verses 1-9

- Originally, the whole earth used what kind of language?

Notice, this is very early in history, yet they know how to make bricks and fire. We saw fire back with the bronze and iron workers.

- What did they decide to build? Why?

But God had told them to multiply and scatter and fill the earth, not hang around in one area and certainly not try to build a tower to reach God in their own power.

- How does it say God knew about their work? Can't you just picture this?
- Who do you think the "Us" is in this passage? We have seen this before.
- What did God do to force them to divide into families and nations and be scattered abroad?
- What was the name of the Tower called? Why?

Have you ever heard of a babbling idiot? This is where we get this word and this term.

- Just to be clear, where did God scatter them? So, the natives in the Americas, where did they come from? Or, the aborigines in Australia, how did they get there?

Verses 10-11

- We have seen the ancestry of Shem in overview, now we will be more thorough.

Verses 12-17

- Remember Peleg?

Verses 18-26

- Terah is the father of Abram (later Abraham). So, what line of Noah's sons is Abraham a descendant?

Verses 27-30

- Name Abram's brothers? Name Abram's nephew?

- Who died fairly young (while his father was still alive)?
- What was the name of Abram's home?

The Chaldeans (pronounced with a "k" sound) is synonymous with the Babylonians. You'll want to know this for later.

- Who was Abram's wife? What are we told about her?

Verses 31-32

- Where did Terah take his family? (Notice Nahor did not go with them.)
- What happened to Terah at the end of his life?

Hebrews 9:27, "And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment."