

Noah - Preacher of Righteousness

Quote:

“By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.”

Hebrews 11:7

Mark These notes in your margin in Genesis 6-9:

Genesis 6:2

“**sons of God**” - mortal believers of God (the seed of the woman) – Deut.14:1, Isa.43:6, Hos.1:10, John 1:12, 1 John 3:2. Cannot be angels – Luke 20:35-36.

“**saw**” - to look at, inspect, consider.

“**daughters of men**” - The seed of the serpent. Literally “daughters of adam” - because they were dominated by the flesh.

“**took**” - “to take, to fetch, to marry”. They put in effort to become unequally yoked together with unbelievers (2 Cor 6:14-17; Deut 7:3; 1 Cor 7:39). In doing so they broke down the enmity instituted in Eden (Gen 3:15).

COLOUR “saw” and “took” in RED. They show the natural progression when the flesh dominates our decision making. Just as had happened with Eve in Genesis 3:6.

Genesis 6:4

“**giants**” - Heb ‘nephilim’ - fallen ones. ie. fallen from righteousness. Job 22:15-17 describes them.

Genesis 6:9

“**Noah**” - Mns “rest”

“**just**” - Mns righteous. Among a select few people who are said to be righteous. These include: Noah - Gen 6:9; 7:1; Abraham - Gen 15:6 +mgn; Yahweh - Deut 32:4; Psa 11:7; 145:17; Jn 17:25; Christ - Jer 23:5; Isa 53:11; Matt 27:19,24; Lk 23:47; Acts 3:14; 22:14; Jas 5:6; 1 Jn 2:1; Joseph - Matt 1:19; John the Baptist - Mk 6:20; Zacharias and Elisabeth - Lk 1:6; Simeon - Lk 2:25; Joseph of Arimathea - Lk 23:50; Cornelius - Acts 10:22.

Genesis 6-9 - The Flood - Divine Judgment Manifesting Goodness and Severity

6:1-7 - The Antidiluvian Apostacy

6:8-10 - Noah and His Family

6:11-13 - Noah’s Contemporaries

6:14-22 - Noah Commanded to Build an Ark

7:1-9 - A Remnant of the Earth to be Saved

7:10-24 - Noah’s Log of the Flood

8:1-5 - The Flood Recedes

8:6-12 - The Message of the Birds

8:13-19 - A Cleansed World

8:20-22 - The Divine Purpose

9:1-7 - The New Order

9:8-17 - The Covenant with all Flesh

9:18-27 - The Sin of Ham

9:28-29 - The Death of Noah

“perfect” - mns - ‘without blemish, blameless’. See **Josh 24:14** (sincerity = same Heb word); **Gen 17:1**.

“Noah walked with God” - Said of Noah, Enoch (**Gen 5:22,24**), Abraham commanded to do so (**Gen 17:1**); Zacharias (**Lk 1:5-6**). Involves humility (**Mic 6:8** mgn) and illumination by the Word (**1 Jn 1:7**).

COLOUR the following:

1. **Highlight the obedience of Noah in BLUE** - **6:22** (whole verse); **7:5** (whole verse), **7:16** “as God had commanded him”; **8:16** “God forth” link to **8:18** “Noah went forth” (HINT - highlight both phrases and draw a blue line linking them).
 2. **The groups that went into the ark (all went in as the male and his female - ch 7:2). Therefore highlight this by colouring the following passages GREEN** - **6:18** “thou and thy sons, and thy wife and thy sons’ wives”, **6:19** “male and female”; **7:2** “male and his female” (2x), **7:3** “male and his female”, **7:7** “Noah went in and his sons, and his wife, and his sons’ wives”, **7:13** “Noah and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah’s wife, and the three wives of his sons”, **7:16** “male and female”; **8:16** “thou and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons’ wives with thee”, **8:18** “Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons’ wives with him”
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THE FIGURE OF BAPTISM

Mark below Genesis 7

The cleansing of the earth by a flood teaches us the doctrine of baptism:

- We submit to baptism in answer to our conscience before God (**1 Pet 3:21**). Baptism is based on an understanding of the right ways of God, and a desire to commit ourselves to keeping them. This attitude and ways was seen in Noah and caused him to find grace in the eyes of God (**Gen 6:8-9; 7:1; Heb 11:7**).
- The world of Noah’s day perished under water. The earth was cleansed of its former wickedness and a new life began from that time. Baptism is a symbolic death to our old way of life and the beginning of a new life in Christ (**Rom 6:4-8**) no longer servants to sin (**Rom 6:11-12**).
- All who were saved by water were identified with Noah, just as baptism involves us being identified with the saving name of the Lord Jesus Christ (see **Gen 7:7,9,13**).
- Noah believed God, and therefore built an ark and was saved by water - just as he that believeth and is baptised shall be saved (**Mk 16:15-16**).
- As Noah demonstrated his thanks to God in a burnt offering, so our lives must be living sacrifices in service to God (**Rom 12:1**).