

# Noah - The Ruin of the World

## 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.

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

## 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

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**“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](#)).

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### 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](#)).

#### THREE INSPECTIONS OF THE LEPROUS HOUSE - GENESIS 6:1-3,5-7,11-13

Under the Law, the priest was required to make 3 inspections of a leprous house ([Lev. 14:33-45](#)).

This is paralleled by the 3 fold inspections of the time of John the Baptist and Christ:

1. **First Inspection:** Warning of destruction if they did not repent ([Gen 6:3](#) cp [Matt 3:10](#) - warning of John the Baptist).
2. **Second Inspection:** Because of wickedness for which they were warned to repent, and threatened with destruction ([Gen 6:5-7](#) cp [Jn 2:14-16](#) - Jesus seeing the wicked money changers cast them out, and sought for repentance).
3. **Third Inspection:** The corruption and violence was all pervading ([Gen 6:11-13](#) cp [Mk 11:17](#) - Jesus rebuked them for turning the House of God into a den of thieves, and pronounced destruction to come in [Matt 23:38](#) because the house was incurable).