



Lesson Nine: But God Remembered Noah
Genesis 6:5-8, 13-14, 17-22; 7:17, 21-8:1; 9:1, 8-16
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^{6:5} The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. ⁶ And the LORD regretted that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him to His heart. ⁷ So the LORD said, “I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them.” ⁸ But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD....

¹³ And God said to Noah, “I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth. ¹⁴ Make yourself an ark of gopher wood. Make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch.... ¹⁷ For behold, I will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life under heaven. Everything that is on the earth shall die. ¹⁸ But I will establish My covenant with you, and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons’ wives with you. ¹⁹ And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every sort into the ark to keep them alive with you. They shall be male and female. ²⁰ Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every creeping thing of the ground, according to its kind, two of every sort shall come in to you to keep them alive. ²¹ Also take with you every sort of food that is eaten, and store it up. It shall serve as food for you and for them. ²² Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him....

^{7:17} The flood continued forty days on the earth. The waters increased and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth.... ²¹ And all flesh died that moved on the earth, birds, livestock, beasts, all swarming creatures that swarm on the earth, and all mankind. ²² Everything on the dry land in whose nostrils was the breath of life died. ²³ He blotted out every living thing that was on the face of the ground, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens. They were blotted out from the earth. Only Noah was left, and those who were with him in the ark. ²⁴ And the waters prevailed on the earth 150 days. ^{8:1} But God remembered Noah and all the beasts and all the livestock that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided....

^{9:1} And God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth”....

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹ “Behold, I establish My covenant with you and your offspring after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹² And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between Me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³ I have set My bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. ¹⁴ When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember My covenant that is between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶ When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.”

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What do these chapters teach us about how the Lord responds to sin?
2. How do we relate to the seriousness of sin and the reality of God’s judgment?
3. What do these chapters teach us about how the Lord provides salvation?
4. How do Noah, the ark, and the flood point forward to the work of Jesus Christ?
5. What does the Noahic covenant reveal about the scope of God’s redemptive work? How would we live differently if we shared this perspective?
6. How might the Lord call unbelievers and believers to respond to this passage?