

# Noah and the Flood

## Lesson #2 - Genesis 6:18-22 & 7:1-5

(Most Scriptures used are from the New King James Version)

**Genesis 6:18-22** "But **I will ESTABLISH My COVENANT with you**; and you shall go into the ark - you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. 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. Of the birds **after their KIND**, of **ANIMALS after their KIND**, and of every creeping thing of the earth **after its kind**, **TWO of every KIND will COME TO you** to keep them alive. And you shall take for yourself of all food that is eaten, and you shall gather it to yourself; and it shall be food for you and for them. Thus **Noah did; according to all that God commanded him, so he did.**"

- **Genesis 1:24-25** "Then God said, 'Let the earth bring forth the living \_\_\_\_\_ according to its \_\_\_\_\_ : cattle and \_\_\_\_\_ thing and \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth according to its \_\_\_\_\_, ' and it was so. And God made the \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth according to its \_\_\_\_\_, cattle according to its \_\_\_\_\_, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its \_\_\_\_\_. And God saw that it was good."

**Definition: "I will ESTABLISH My COVENANT with you"** - A covenant is an agreement or contract between two people or groups of people. **God's part of the covenant was to protect and deliver Noah and his family, and to preserve the different types of animals to repopulate the earth.** Noah's part was to obey God's instructions by building the ark and gathering the animals and their food. Later, when the ark landed, the responsibility of Noah and his family members was to multiply and scatter throughout the earth to repopulate the earth. By the time of Moses, **God made another covenant**, this time with the nation and people of Israel. Their responsibility was to keep His commandments and offer animal sacrifices that pointed toward the coming Messiah and sin-bearer. For us, **OUR COVENANT with God is to BELIEVE in His Son, Jesus Christ, and to accept His SACRIFICE on the cross to pay for our sins.**

- **Psalms 50:5** "Gather my \_\_\_\_\_ together to Me; those who have \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_."
- **Luke 22:20** "Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup is the \_\_\_\_\_ in My \_\_\_\_\_, which is \_\_\_\_\_ for you.'"

**Definition: "ANIMALS after their KIND"** - God told Noah to bring two of each "kind" of animal, not species or variety. In other words, only two dogs, not two of every breed and variety of dog we see today. The breeds of dogs we have today are man-made, as humans bred dogs for particular features (long legs, short legs, tallness, speed, etc.), but if you let all the dogs interbreed again, you will have what we call a "mutt", or in other words, just a DOG. The same goes for varieties or breeds of horses, cows, cats, and so forth. Noah would only have to have one male and one female of a cat, or a horse, and the different varieties would come later.

**Definition: "TWO of every KIND will COME TO you"** - I used to wonder how Noah was able to gather all those animals together and get them on the ark, but guess what? God took care of that problem Himself. God told Noah that **"TWO of every KIND will COME TO" him**, meaning that God would guide and direct the animals to have them come to Noah. Also, the earth was not broken up into continents until after

the Flood, so it wouldn't have been that difficult for the animals to walk to where Noah was. Evidently, God caused the animals to obey Noah.

- **Psalm 8:4-8** "What is \_\_\_\_\_ that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You visit him? For You have made him a little \_\_\_\_\_ than the \_\_\_\_\_, and You have crowned him with glory and honor. You have made \_\_\_\_\_ to have \_\_\_\_\_ over the works of your hands; You have put \_\_\_\_\_ things under his feet, all \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ - even the \_\_\_\_\_ of the field, the \_\_\_\_\_ of the air, and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the sea that pass through the paths of the seas."

**Definition: "Take for yourself of all FOOD that is EATEN"** - It would not have been as hard for Noah to gather food for all the animals as it would be for us today, because all the people and animals in Noah's time were probably still vegetarian. What we know of as meat-eating animals (carnivores) nowadays, were not meat-eating until after the Flood (Genesis 9:3). God had given Adam and Eve, and to the animals as well, all the plants - every fruit, vegetable and herb for their food,. We see carnivorous animals reverting back to eating plants in the 1,000 Millennial Kingdom after Jesus returns to this earth (see Isaiah 11:6-12).

- **Genesis 1:29-30** "And God said, 'See, I have given you every \_\_\_\_\_ that yields seed which is on the face of the earth, and every \_\_\_\_\_ whose \_\_\_\_\_ yields seed; to you it shall be for \_\_\_\_\_. Also, to every \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth, to every \_\_\_\_\_ of the air, and to \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ on the earth, in which there is \_\_\_\_\_, I have given every \_\_\_\_\_ herb for \_\_\_\_\_'; and it was so."
- **Isaiah 11:6-9** "The \_\_\_\_\_ also shall dwell with the \_\_\_\_\_, the leopard shall lie down with the young \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ and the young \_\_\_\_\_ and the fatling together; and a little \_\_\_\_\_ shall lead them. The \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ shall \_\_\_\_\_; their young ones shall lie down together; and the \_\_\_\_\_ shall eat \_\_\_\_\_ like the \_\_\_\_\_. The nursing child shall play by the \_\_\_\_\_ hole, and the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den. They shall not \_\_\_\_\_ nor \_\_\_\_\_ in all My holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

**Genesis 7:1** "Then **the Lord said to Noah, 'COME INTO the ark**, you and all your household, because **I have seen that you are RIGHTEOUS BEFORE ME** in this generation."

- **Hebrews 11:7** "By faith \_\_\_\_\_, being divinely \_\_\_\_\_ of things \_\_\_\_\_ yet seen, moved with godly fear, \_\_\_\_\_ an \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ of his \_\_\_\_\_, by which he condemned the \_\_\_\_\_ and became heir of the \_\_\_\_\_ which is according to \_\_\_\_\_."

**Definition: "the Lord said to Noah, 'COME INTO the ARK'"** - God was right there in the ark with Noah. For God to say, "**COME** into the ark" instead of "**Go into** the ark" would mean that God was inside, inviting Noah to come in with Him. We've already seen that Noah "walked with God" in a close relationship with Him, but this also gives us comfort as we realize **God will be with us and go through whatever difficulties and trials we may have in life.**

- **Romans 8:31** "What then shall we say to these things? If \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ us, who can be against us?"

- **Hebrews 13:5-6** "Let your conduct be without covetousness, and be \_\_\_\_\_ with what you \_\_\_\_\_. For He Himself has said, 'I will NEVER \_\_\_\_\_ you, nor \_\_\_\_\_ you', so we may \_\_\_\_\_ say, 'The \_\_\_\_\_ is my \_\_\_\_\_; I will NOT \_\_\_\_\_. What can \_\_\_\_\_ do to me?'"
- **Psalms 23:4-5** "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, I will \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_; for You are \_\_\_\_\_ me; Your rod and Your staff, they \_\_\_\_\_ me. You prepare a table before me in the \_\_\_\_\_ of my \_\_\_\_\_; You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over."
- **Psalms 145:20** "The Lord \_\_\_\_\_ all who \_\_\_\_\_ Him, but all the wicked (unsaved) He will \_\_\_\_\_."

**Definition: "I have seen that you are RIGHTEOUS BEFORE ME" - God MAKES us righteous** when we BELIEVE in Jesus Christ and RECEIVE HIM as our Lord and Savior. **Noah was made righteous by God** when he believed that God would send the Messiah as a savior for him, to save him from his sins. That **RIGHTEOUSNESS is a GIFT, not** something we can EARN. As in Romans 9:31-33 and 10:1-4, the Jews, and many other people **REFUSE TO ACCEPT salvation as a FREE GIFT** from God. They continue to TRY TO EARN salvation and "seek to establish their own righteousness", and thus miss out on God's righteousness altogether.

- **Romans 10:1-4** "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be \_\_\_\_\_. For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but \_\_\_\_\_ according to \_\_\_\_\_. For they being \_\_\_\_\_ of God's \_\_\_\_\_, and seeking to establish their own \_\_\_\_\_, have not submitted to the \_\_\_\_\_ of God. For Christ is the end of the law for \_\_\_\_\_ to everyone who \_\_\_\_\_."
- **Romans 4:4-8** "Now to him who works, the wages are not counted as \_\_\_\_\_ but as debt. But to him who does not work but \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ who justifies the ungodly, his \_\_\_\_\_ is accounted for \_\_\_\_\_, just as David also describes the \_\_\_\_\_ of the man to whom \_\_\_\_\_ imputes \_\_\_\_\_ apart from works: 'Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are \_\_\_\_\_, and those whose sins are covered; blessed is the man to whom the Lord shall \_\_\_\_\_ impute \_\_\_\_\_.'"
  - **Romans 1:17** "For in it the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ is revealed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; as it is written, 'The just (righteous) shall live by faith.'"
  - **Galatians 3:11** "But that no one is justified by the law in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ is evident, for, 'The \_\_\_\_\_ shall \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.'"
    - **Definition: "JUSTIFIED" - Justification or the ACT of being justified** means that God by His GRACE **declares RIGHTEOUS** the sinner who believes on Jesus Christ. It is **NOT a process of becoming** righteous, **it is a ONE-TIME ACT of GRACE**- we are MADE RIGHTEOUS the moment we accept Jesus as our Savior! It is NOT merely FORGIVENESS, although forgiveness is INCLUDED - God does indeed FORGIVE AND FORGET OUR SINS. However, **JUSTIFICATION means God even FORGETS THAT WE WERE EVER SINNERS!** There is NO MORE RECORD of our sins.

**Genesis 7:2-3** "You shall take with you **SEVEN EACH of every CLEAN ANIMAL**, a male and his female; two each of animals that are unclean, a male and his female; also **SEVEN EACH of birds of the air**, male and female, to keep the species alive on the face of all the earth."

**Definition: "SEVEN EACH of every CLEAN ANIMAL"** - God provided for everything. The clean animals and birds would be needed as food for mankind after the Flood (Genesis 9:3). They were also the type of animals used for sacrifices and offerings to God, so their numbers would be depleted too fast, if there were only two of each animal and bird on the ark. For a list of which animals were considered clean or unclean, read Leviticus, Chapter Eleven.

- **Leviticus 11:46-47** "This is the law of the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ and every living creature that moves in the waters, and of every creature that creeps on the earth, to distinguish between the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_, and between the \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_ and the animal that may \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_."
- **Leviticus 12:6-8** "When the days of her purification are fulfilled, whether for a son or daughter, she shall bring to the priest a \_\_\_\_\_ of the first year as a burnt offering, and a young \_\_\_\_\_ or a turtledove as a \_\_\_\_\_ offering, to the door of the tabernacle of meeting. Then he (the priest) shall \_\_\_\_\_ it before the Lord, and make \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_." "And if she is not able to bring a \_\_\_\_\_, then she may bring two \_\_\_\_\_ or two young \_\_\_\_\_ - one as a burnt offering and the other as a sin \_\_\_\_\_. So the priest shall make \_\_\_\_\_ for her, and she will be \_\_\_\_\_."

**Genesis 7:4-5** "For after seven more days I will cause it to rain on the earth **FORTY days and FORTY nights**, and **I will destroy from the face of the earth** all living things that I have made." And Noah did according to all that the Lord commanded him."

- **Mark 1:12-13** "And immediately the \_\_\_\_\_ drove Him into the wilderness. And He was there in the wilderness \_\_\_\_\_ days, tempted by Satan...."
- **Luke 4:1-2** "Then \_\_\_\_\_, being filled with the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ into the wilderness, being tempted for \_\_\_\_\_ days by the devil...."
- **Exodus 34:28** "So he (Moses) was there with the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ days and \_\_\_\_\_ nights; he did not eat bread or drink water. And he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant, the Ten Commandments."
- **Numbers 14:34** "According to the number of the days in which you spied out the land, \_\_\_\_\_ days, for each day you shall bear your guilt one \_\_\_\_\_, namely \_\_\_\_\_ years, and you shall know My rejection."

**Definition: "FORTY days and FORTY nights"** - There is a Scriptural principle involved concerning why God uses the number forty so many times in His word. We see **FORTY days and FORTY nights** for the judgment of God being poured out on the world in the flood of Noah. We see Moses on the mountain for **FORTY days and FORTY nights**, eating and drinking nothing (a miraculous fast - kids, don't try this at home!) while he received the Law, and we see from the New Testament that the law cannot save, but only kills. We see **Jesus being tested** and tempted by the devil for **FORTY days in the wilderness** (also a miraculous 40-day fast). The "Children of Israel" had to wander in the wilderness for forty years because of their disobedience and unbelief (Numbers, Chapter 14). So we see that **the number 40 has a significance in the Bible of referring to times of JUDGMENT, TESTING and TRIAL**. We also believe that **Jesus took the full FORTY LASHES of the scourging as part of our punishment for sin** - In Isaiah 53, the word of God tells us that the Messiah "was wounded for OUR transgressions, He was bruised (crushed) for OUR iniquities; the chastisement for OUR peace was upon Him, and **by His stripes (from the scourging) we are healed**." Transgressions refers to all the times we have violated God's laws and commandments. Iniquities refers to wickedness, unrighteous

acts, and just "doing our own thing" in rebellion against God. **Chastisement means PUNISHMENT.** Jesus took the full punishment for our sins, in order for us to NOT be punished by God. The complete atonement was finished by His death on the cross, but the **"FORTY stripes"** or full amount of lashes from the scourging, was a significant part of **the JUDGMENT of God being "laid on Him"** for our sins and iniquities. Praise God! We, as believers in Jesus Christ, will never be punished for our sins, because Jesus took our punishment on Himself.