

GENESIS: THE JUDGMENT OF GOD (THE FLOOD)

*When Lamech had lived 182 years, he fathered a son ²⁹ and called his name **Noah, saying, “Out of the ground that the LORD has cursed, this one shall bring us relief from our work and from the painful toil of our hands.”***
~ Genesis 5:28-29

*Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that **every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.*** ⁶ And the LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. ⁷ So the LORD said, “I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth, both man and beast, creeping thing and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them.” ⁸ **But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.** ⁹ This is the genealogy of Noah. Noah was a just man, perfect in his generations. Noah walked with God. ~ Genesis 6:5-9 (NKJV)

Noah was six hundred years old when the floodwaters were on the earth. ⁷ So Noah, with his sons, his wife, and his sons’ wives, went into the ark because of the waters of the flood. ⁸ Of clean animals, of animals that are unclean, of birds, and of everything that creeps on the earth, ⁹ two by two they went into the ark to Noah, male and female, as God had commanded Noah. ¹⁰ And it came to pass after seven days that the waters of the flood were on the earth. ~ Genesis 7:6-9 (NKJV)

Then God spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying: ⁹ “And as for Me, behold, I establish My covenant with you and with your descendants after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you: the birds, the cattle, and every beast of the earth with you, of all that go out of the ark, every beast of the earth. ¹¹ Thus I establish My covenant with you: Never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood; never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹² And God said: “This is the sign of the covenant which I make between Me and you, and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: ¹³ I set My rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be for the sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. ~ Genesis 9:8-13 (NKJV)

The Three S’s of Sin...

- Sin spoils
- Sin spreads
- Sin separates

In Chapter 4, We See Many First Sins....

- In verse 8, we have the first murder.
- In verse 9, we have the first outright lie.
- In verses 13 & 14, we have the first expression of self-pity.
- In verse 19, we have the first act of polygamy.
- In verse 23, we have the first act of vengeance.

1. THE EARTH WAS CORRUPT

Now the earth was corrupt in God’s sight, and the earth was filled with violence. ~ Genesis 6:11 (NKJV)

Man’s Rebellion Was Expressed In Three Dimensions...

- Outwardly

The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth. ~ Genesis 6:5a

- **Inwardly**

But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. ~ James 1:14 (NKJV)

- **Continually**

And that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. ~ Genesis 6:5b (NKJV)

2. GOD'S JUDGMENT WAS JUST

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." ~ Genesis 6:7 (NKJV)

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. ~ Genesis 6:13 (NKJV)

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. ~ Genesis 6:17 (NKJV)

Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked. ~ Ezekiel 33:11 (ESV)

3. HIS MERCY IS GREATER

⁸ But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD. ~ Genesis 6:8

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not of works, lest anyone should boast. ~ Ephesians 2:8 (NKJV)

Then God spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying: ⁹ "And as for Me, behold, I establish My covenant with you and with your descendants after you. ~ Genesis 9:8-9 (NKJV)

And God said: "This is the sign of the covenant which I make between Me and you, and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: ¹³ I set My rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be for the sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. ~ Genesis 9:12-13 (NKJV)

Next Steps

Become a follower of Jesus

Invite a Friend to church next week

Sign up for the Men's Chile cook-off

Sign up for the Connect 101 class on 12/9