

Let's Worship God

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Monday - Genesis 7:6-12 - The Rains Come

God has commanded Noah to do much that will seem strange to him. But Noah has obeyed every detail without hesitation or question. Noah has entered the ark on a day when there is probably not a cloud in the sky - he must continue to have faith that God will do what He says He will do. Noah's family also come into the ark along with all the animals. Just as God brings the animals to Adam to be named, He brings them to Noah to be saved.

Noah is 600 years old when the rains begin - this is old even for that time when men lived much longer. However, there is no age limit on obeying God or on God's blessing to His people. God makes sure that Noah is safe in the ark before He sends the Flood. At God's command all the waters deep in the earth and bound up in the sky (that are to be a blessing to man, but now, because of man's sin, are used for his destruction) break free. God removes the limits that He has placed on the water, and it rains everywhere without stopping for 40 days and 40 nights. It is impossible for anyone to escape the righteous judgements of God except through the escape God Himself provides - for Noah and his family in the ark and for us in Jesus.

Questions

1. How does Noah get the animals to come into the ark?
2. Where does all the water come from?
3. How old was Noah when the rain began?

Prayer Points

1. Give thanks that God always provides a way of escape.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters

Memory Verse

And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. Genesis 1:4

Praise: Psalm 82 - See www.rpglobalalliance.org for Psalm tune helps.

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Tuesday - Genesis 7:13-24 - Judgement and Mercy

Noah, his family, and every kind of animal is safe in the ark. God has preserved His creation - not one kind of animal is left out. God then shuts the door - to keep Noah and all with him safe in the ark and to keep all the wicked and unbelieving people out. The door of the ark has been open until that day, and if any had wanted to repent and believe, they might have been welcomed into the ark. Now the day of judgement is upon them, and God makes a clear distinction between His people and everyone else.

The waters go at least 20 feet over the tops of the highest mountains (including Mt. Everest). But the waters being used to destroy everything else are also being used to keep the ark safe and lifted above the destruction. All the animals die. God, their Creator, determines what to do with His Creation, for His glory, to show that even the tools of sinners will be destroyed, and to keep the animals from overwhelming man after the Flood.

All the people die. There could have been as many as are on the earth now if not more. In Luke 17:26-27 Jesus says, "Just as it was in the days of Noah, so also it will be in the days of the Son of Man. People were eating, drinking, marrying and being given in marriage up to the day Noah entered the ark. Then the flood came and destroyed them all."

Questions

1. Who shut the door of the ark?
2. How high did the waters go?
3. What does Jesus say the people were doing when the Flood came?

Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for God's mercy and justice.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters

Memory Verse

And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. Genesis 1:4

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Wednesday - Genesis 8:1-5 - God Remembers

The people on the earth think they are safe; they can't be bothered to think of God. Then the waters come. They might have tried to climb up high in trees or mountains. Maybe they banged on the door or sides of the ark, but Noah cannot open what God has shut. When you face God in judgement it doesn't matter how high you try to climb by saying how good you think you are, it doesn't matter how many Christians you know, if you are not in Christ, the ark, you can not save yourself.

But God saves Noah while thousands about him are dying. He is a sign of God's mercy and grace. Cooped up in the ark, probably with fears of rain, and hearing the sounds and screams of those outside, Noah must take comfort in God's power, justice, goodness, grace, and mercy to those who believe.

God remembers Noah and all who are with him. God always remembers His people, no matter what their situation, even if they feel He might have forgotten. Those whom God remembers, He also remembers for good - to help them. God commands the wind to come and the waters to recede; He sets limits on the waters again. Noah feels the ground when the ark comes to rest before he sees it, and it is a long, slow process as the waters go down. God usually works His deliverance gradually for His people, so that they may not despise or ignore the small things He uses.

Questions

1. Why couldn't the people save themselves?
2. How does God help Noah?

Prayer Points

1. Pray for the salvation of family and friends.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters

Memory Verse

And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. Genesis 1:4

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Thursday - Genesis 8:6-19 - Time to Leave

God tells Noah when the Flood is coming, so he can build and enter the ark, but God doesn't tell Noah when the Flood will go away, so Noah has to trust and be patient. But even though he doesn't know when, Noah is still eagerly looking for the deliverance that he knows God is going to send. When the dove returns with the olive leaf, it is a sign to Noah and his family that plants are beginning to grow again, and their deliverance is coming.

On the first day of the first month, the ground is dry - it is a joyful new year. Noah removes some of the covering off the ark to see for himself. Never again will he take dry ground for granted. We appreciate our everyday blessings so much more after God has taken them away for a time. God keeps Noah in the ark, even though the ground is dry, until the earth is ready for them. God's timing is always perfect.

Noah doesn't leave until God tells him to. Just as God leads Noah into the ark, God now leads him out into the world. Noah has been in the ark for one year and ten days. Through all this time God has preserved Noah, his family, and all the creatures alive.

Questions

1. Why might it have been hard for Noah to be patient?
2. What does the dove bring to Noah?
3. How long was Noah in the ark?

Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for God's everyday blessings.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters

Memory Verse

And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. Genesis 1:4

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Friday - Genesis 8:20-22 - God's Promises

Noah steps out of the ark into a world and a life that has totally changed. All the old familiar people and places are no more. The effects of the devastation of the Flood are probably all around them. It must have overwhelmed Noah with feelings of sadness, relief, thankfulness, amazement, fear, and uncertainty. As he realises again what he has been saved from and what he is now called upon to do, he has just one reaction - coming to God in worship to learn about Him, to thank and praise Him, and to ask Him for help. And worship done God's way - a sacrifice of a clean animal. Noah doesn't stop to say, "Well, I don't really have a clean animal to spare. Maybe I'll wait until I get a few more." No, he realises that all the animals belong to God, and it is because of God they are there at all.

The Flood hasn't changed man's nature. He is still sinful, and quite capable of becoming just as wicked as he was before the Flood. But God in His mercy makes Noah a promise of never again destroying all living creatures. The earth will not last forever; there will come a time of a new heavens and a new earth, but until that time God promises that He will keep safe the regular order of times and seasons. Every sunrise and sunset, every change from summer to autumn, should remind us that God always keeps His promises.

Questions

1. What does Noah do the moment he leaves the ark?
2. What does he sacrifice?
3. What promises does God make Noah?

Prayer Points

1. Pray that we would come to God in worship with the right attitude.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters

Memory Verse

And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. Genesis 1:4

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Saturday - Genesis 9:1-7 - A New World

Surrounded by the devastation of those who were in a wrong relationship with God, God makes it clear to Noah that He loves him. God again gives man the earth to fill and to have authority over. He promises that He will provide the food man needs. Possibly up to this point man was a vegetarian, but now God makes it abundantly clear that animals are also given to man to eat.

Even though Noah and his descendants are given power and authority over the rest of creation, God is still the Creator, and man is still His creation. So, God gives man certain specific commands for this new world. These commands all have to do with the taking away of life. The first has to do with eating blood. Man is allowed to eat animals, but blood is to be seen, not as something common, but as something special, the life of the animal, poured out to God in sacrifices. Man is not to take away his own life, because it doesn't belong to him, it belongs to God, and God will hold him accountable for what he does to it. Animals also are not to be allowed to take away man's life. Finally, murderers are to be put to death. God will require from murderers the life they take away. When they cannot give it, He will require their own as the only way left of making restitution. God sets up authorities in government to carry out this punishment of murderers. Man is made in the image of God - to attack this image is to attack God, and it should be clear from these verses that God takes these attacks very seriously.

Questions

1. What has God given us to eat?
2. What punishment does God order for murderers?

Prayer Points

1. Pray for the preaching and hearing of God's Word tomorrow.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters

Memory Verse

And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. Genesis 1:4

Praise: Psalm 87 - See www.rpglobalalliance.org for Psalm tune helps.

The goal of Let's Worship God is to encourage and help you in your worship of God each day.

**God tells us that
Ezra read from
the book of the Law
day after day
and that
the people of God
were filled with joy!**

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