

Noah's Ark
Genesis 6:8 - 7:20

How to use this Scripture Engagement



Pray to Begin

Before you start each lesson, ask the Lord to use it to grow you in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.



Read the Bible passage

Invite God to open your eyes and deepen your understanding of His Word as you read the passage.



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Noah's Ark

Dear Heavenly Father,

Just as Noah found grace in Your eyes, we come longing for that same grace today. Help us trust and obey You like Noah did, even when others don't. Thank You for the salvation we have in Jesus Christ. Draw us close, keep us anchored in Your promise, and safe in Your grace.

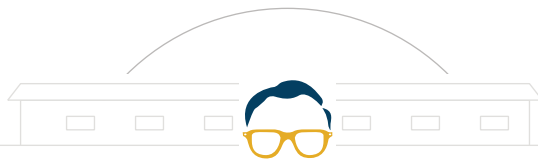
In Jesus' name, Amen.



Grace before Judgment



Genesis 6:8-13



"It took faith to build an ark on dry land when it hadn't even drizzled. **Noah believed God, and that saved his family.**"

-Dr. J. Vernon McGee

Why did God Save Noah?

He walked with God - a lifestyle of relational dependence and daily obedience (Genesis 6:9).

He was upright - Unlike the corrupt generation around him, **Noah lived uprightly** before God.

He believed - "By faith Noah... prepared an ark" (Heb. 11:7). **Noah responded in faith to God's warning about things not yet seen.**

He obeyed - Noah did **"all that God commanded him"** showing active, complete obedience. (Genesis 6:22)

He remained faithful - in a generation that had **completely rejected God.**

God's grace found him - Noah's salvation was a result of God's mercy, not by his own merit.

His righteousness was by faith - Like Abraham (Romans 4:3), **God made Noah righteous** because he believed in God and **not due to Noah's moral perfection.**



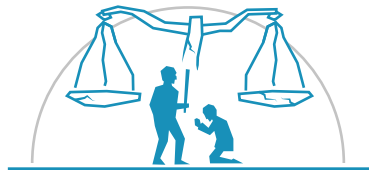
Why God sent the Flood (v.11-13)

"The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence." (Genesis 6:11)



Corruption of God's design

"All flesh had corrupted their way on earth." (Genesis 6:12)



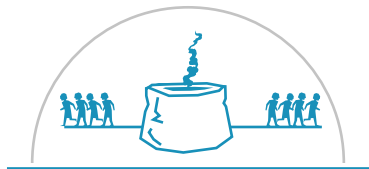
Violence had filled the earth

Human life and dignity were **devalued**.



Rejection of revealed truth

God's Spirit had **strived with man**, but man resisted.



Neglect of the promise

Instead of **awaiting the Redeemer**, they turned to wickedness.



Warning signs ignored

The prophetic message of Enoch, the meaning of Methuselah's name, and Noah's preaching were all rejected.

The entire human family has turned from God. "There is none righteous, no, not one." (Romans 3:10)



"Man had a promise of a Redeemer, and he was told that there was coming a Saviour on the earth. That is the thing man should have been looking for; instead of that, he turned from God."

Comparison Between Noah's Day & Ours

Days of Noah

Population explosion

Widespread corruption

Violence filled the earth

Preaching ignored

Faithful remnant

Judgment delayed

Our Day

Global expansion, urban density

Moral collapse, systemic injustice

War, crime, abortion, abuse

Gospel mocked, conviction resisted

True church amidst apostasy

God's mercy extended



Like Noah, the **remnant will be saved through God's provision**.

Judgment comes **after** grace is offered and resisted.



Reflection

Question 1

What stands out to you about Noah's faith and obedience, and how does it contrast with the world's response to God today?

Question 2

In what ways does God's delayed judgment reveal both His mercy and our need to respond with faith?



Application

Question 3

What is one specific step I can take this week to walk with God in faith and obedience, even if others around me are not?

Draw your Application



The Ark - One Door, One Way

 Genesis 6:14-16

Key Insights

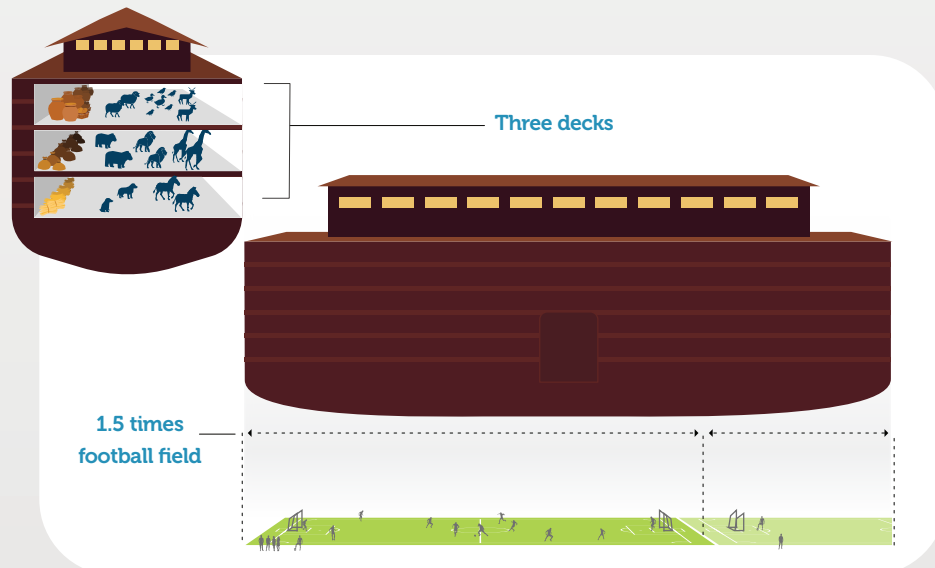
The ark was massive: 450 feet long, 75 feet wide, and 45 feet high (based on 18-inch cubits). That's **more than 1.5 times longer** than **the length of a football field**.

It had 3 decks: strategically designed for space, ventilation, and order.

One door, one window: The window ran around the top; the single door was on the side.

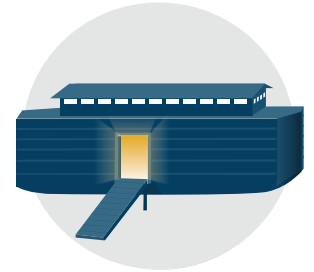
Waterproofed with pitch: symbolising protection and sealing from judgment.

Noah's ark wasn't a cartoon houseboat - it was a **carefully engineered sanctuary of salvation**.



Spiritual Truths

One Door - There was only one way in. Jesus said, "I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved." (John 10:9) Just like the ark, **salvation is not by many doors, it's by One.**



The Window Above - Noah didn't look out at the storm, **he looked up**. **Our focus during life's storms should be heavenward**, not outward.

Three Decks - The structure reflects **God's order, provision, and capacity** to **save every kind of life**.



I noted that the New Mexico, one of our battleships of the World War II era, was built 624 feet long, 106 1/4 feet wide, and with a mean draught of 29 1/2 feet. By comparison the ark had practically the same ratio; so that you did not have a ridiculous looking boat at all, but one which would compare favourably with the way they build ships today.



Reflection

Question 1

Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the only way to eternal life? Share what you believe.

Question 2

What does the structure and care of the ark reveal about God's plan for my safety in storms?



Application

Question 3

Draw or journal what your “ark” looks like. What has God provided for your rescue and rest in Christ? This week, spend time thanking Him for being the Door that never closes to those who believe.

Draw your Application



Covenant and the Coming Storm



Genesis 6:17-22



Key Insights

God's judgment is imminent - The Flood will **wipe out all flesh with the breath of life**.

God's covenant is personal - "I will establish My covenant with you." (v.18)

The ark is a vessel of mercy for both human and animal life.

Noah's obedience was complete - "Thus Noah did; according to all that God commanded him, so he did." (v.22)



Spiritual Truths

God's Judgment Is Universal

God is not indifferent to sin. He declares, "Everything that is on the earth shall die" (v.17). His warning comes **before His wrath**.

God's Covenant Is Gracious

This is the **first mention** of the word "**covenant**" in the Bible. (Covenant means God's unbreakable promise that He makes with man).

It is **not earned** by Noah but **granted** by God.

The ark becomes the **symbol of salvation under that covenant**.

God's Sovereignty Over Creation

Noah didn't round up animals, **they came to him** (v.20)





Reflection

Question 1

Why is it important that God established a covenant with Noah before the flood began? What does this reveal about God's grace and foreknowledge?

Question 2

How does Noah's quiet obedience challenge our response to God's instructions especially when they seem unreasonable to others?



Application

Question 3

Take time this week to reflect on your covenant with Christ. Write down one area where God is calling you to act in faith. Then like Noah, do it completely and without delay.

Draw your Application



Come into the Ark



Genesis 7:1-20

"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.'"

Genesis 7:1



Key Insights

Noah's righteousness was by faith, not works (*Hebrews 11:7*).

God invites with grace: "**Come...**" echoes Jesus' call in *Matthew 11:28*.

Clean animals entered in sevens, not just pairs so Noah could offer sacrifices.

God gave the world **7 more days to respond before the flood began**, but no one else came.

The animals came voluntarily - led by God, not by Noah's effort.



Spiritual Truths

God's Invitation to Salvation

God says "**Come...**" not "Go in" but "**Come in**", implying His presence is inside.

Just like Noah, we are invited to **enter into God's protection** before judgment falls.

Jesus extends the same invitation today to rest, to safety, to eternal life.

God's Precision in His Commands

The distinction between **clean and unclean animals** is already present.

God provides the means for sacrifice **before** deliverance.

His instructions are **detailed and purposeful**, nothing random in His plan.

God's Patience Before the Storm

A final **7-day timeline** for repentance shows **His mercy**.

Yet no one outside Noah's family responded. **The ark door remained open** until it closed.



"For seven days the world could have knocked at the door of the ark, and frankly, they could have come in - God would have saved them. All they had to do was to believe in God."

"

Christ Connection

Just as Noah and his family were **saved** through the ark, **Jesus is our Ark, our safe refuge in a coming judgment.**

God still invites us into covenant relationships, one sealed by the blood of Christ.

"And the Lord shut him in." (*Genesis 7:16*)

Christ is the Door. When He closes it, no man can open (*Revelation 3:7*).



Noah entered the ark by faith, and God **shut him in**. Christ is the ark today, the refuge for those who believe.

"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." (*Matthew 11:28*)

The door of salvation remains open today. But one day, like the ark, it will be shut.



"And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered."
(*Genesis 7:19*)



Reflection

Question 1

What does it mean to “come into the ark” spiritually today?

Question 2

If I knew I had 7 days before judgment, how would I live differently?

Question 3

Am I listening to God's voice even when His commands are detailed or unusual?



Application

Question 4

Take a moment to pray and respond to God's personal invitation to "Come." Write down what you sense He's calling you to step into whether it's obedience, trust, surrender, or faith.

Draw your Application



Your Takeaway

Integrating **'God's Intelligence'** in my life.

come to Him for
He remembers no
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