



Q2: As we learn during the message on Sunday, God provides provision for sin even in the future for Noah and his family by bringing the clean animals on to the ark. God knew that Noah and his family would have to still deal with the sin of the world after the flood because they were still a sinful people. This step also anticipates the sacrificial system that would develop after the flood. This once more just shows us that God knows humanity and knows our sin that we will commit even in the future but loves us so much that he wants to provide a way for that sin to be made right before Him so we can have a relationship with Him.

Q3: The flood is a great example of God's power and freedom over his creation. God uses nature and in similar fashion to how he created the world, he destroys all living things that had breath. Unfortunately, most of our world and even some of those part of church, don't have this correct perspective of God and His creation. Our culture typically only wants to think of God as this loving being that does not punish anyone and does not have the proper fear of God. Also, almost anywhere you go it seems like the main message from our culture is that life is all about us, but the Bible teaches the complete opposite. This passage is also a good reminder that shows how gracious our God in that He gave them another 100 years to repent while Noah built the ark, and he allowed them to still enjoy common grace even in their defiance towards God during that time.

Q4: The passage highlights how the Lord ensures the deliverance of the righteous from the judgment and how that salvation was only possible through God. Noah was determined righteous because of his faith in God and we too can't earn salvation. "But the development of the narrative follows two sides: those who entered the ark were safely shut in by the Lord, but all those outside the ark died" (A. Ross). Those that put their whole faith in God are saved from destruction and those that only rely on themselves will perish.

Q5: As we have discussed, Noah also warned the people of his day while building the ark for 100 years. He believed what God told him was true and that there was flood coming. The perspective of judgment gave Noah the urgency to share their faith for 100 years even with all the rejection he received.

Q6: "God's gracious redemption is meaningful in light of judgment" (A. Ross). Understanding God's judgment of our sin more fully only deepens our appreciation of God's grace towards us and encourages our hearts towards stronger obedience to God.

Q7: "No doubt there were people who felt they had no warning and shook angry, incredulous fists at Heaven" (K. Hughes). Even though the flood was result of the people's sin on Earth and God gave those people an opportunity to repent, they would still shake their fists at God and would still blame Him.

Q8: Read the Allen P. Ross quote. Our culture is continually pushing to live their own way despite how God has told them to live. They also do so without any regard of how their path effects those around them and ultimately what it will do for their soul in eternity. This passage of scripture is a stark reminder to all those who follow God that our lives will look different than those who do not and to remember God's warning that there is going to be judgement for sin.



LIFE GROUP

ICE BREAKER: What was the hardest project, assignment, or task that you have had to undo?

1. Read Genesis 7:1-24. What insight, lesson, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? How was your experience with the Life Tool's this past week?
2. This week we learned that God used the clean animals to provide a way to deal with sin in the future. How does this impact the way you view your sin and God?
3. We learned during the message on Sunday that the flood shows us the "freedom" and "power" that God has over creation and life is not about us. How does that change the way you respond to God and live your life?
4. Why is it important for us to be reminded that salvation is completely secured and sealed by God's hand?
5. What spaces in our life do we need to have the same perspective as Noah and warn those around us of the coming judgement?
6. How does being reminded of the judgement we're saved from help you walk better with God?
7. What does the fact that "only Noah was left, and those with him in the ark", tell us about the people of Noah's day?
8. Read the quote from Allen P. Ross in the Life Group Material and answer the question: How can we challenge each other to not fall into the mindset of our current culture "You do you" or "live your truth"?



FURTHER STUDY

Job 22:12-16 (NIV)

¹² "Is not God in the heights of heaven?

And see how lofty are the highest stars!

¹³ Yet you say, 'What does God know?

Does he judge through such darkness?

¹⁴ Thick clouds veil him, so he does not see us

as he goes about in the vaulted heavens.'

¹⁵ Will you keep to the old path

that the wicked have trod?

¹⁶ They were carried off before their time,

their foundations washed away by a flood.

Luke 17:27 (NIV)

²⁷ 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.

2 Peter 3:3-7 (NIV)

³ Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. ⁴ They will say, “Where is this ‘coming’ he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.” ⁵ But they deliberately forget that long ago by God’s word the heavens came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water. ⁶ By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. ⁷ By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.

2 Peter 2:5-9 (NIV)

⁵ if he did not spare the ancient world when he brought the flood on its ungodly people, but protected Noah, a preacher of righteousness, and seven others; ⁶ if he condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah by burning them to ashes, and made them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly; ⁷ and if he rescued Lot, a righteous man, who was distressed by the depraved conduct of the lawless ⁸ (for that righteous man, living among them day after day, was tormented in his righteous soul by the lawless deeds he saw and heard)— ⁹ if this is so, then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials and to hold the unrighteous for punishment on the day of judgment.



“Is it not wonderful news to believe that salvation lies outside ourselves?”

- **Martin Luther**

“Basically, the chapter answers the question What is the end of humanity? Can men and women pursue their lives immorally and enjoy the pleasures of this world with reckless abandon? Is this life final or preparatory? With this narrative the answer is clear-everything that had breath died.”

- **Allen P. Ross**

Additional Resources

Devotionals-

<https://www.ligonier.org/learn/devotionals/noah-built-ark/>

Articles –

<https://www.ligonier.org/blog/noah-man-who-walked-god/>

Sermon-

<https://www.gty.org/library/sermons-library/90-259/the-flood-of-judgment>

<https://www.tvresources.net/resource-library/sermons/our-god-saves/>