

Bible Class Notes – Noah – Lesson 10

God's Mercy Offered to a Sinful People.

This week we learn from Genesis God's wonderful provision of salvation from His Final Judgement

"How often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not." Matthew 23v37

Bible Readings for this week

(Choose a regular time each day to read the bible and pray whether it be when you first wake up or just before you go to sleep)

Day	Bible Reading	Tick When read
Sunday	Genesis 6v1-13, Hebrews 11v7 (Faithful Noah warned)	
Monday	Genesis 6v14-22 (Faithful Noah obeyed God)	
Tuesday	Genesis 7v1-24 (Noah and family saved in the ark)	
Wednesday	Luke 17v26-36 (End times to be like the days of Noah)	
Thursday	Matthew 24v1-24 (End times, beware of false prophets)	
Friday	Matthew 24v29-51 (Judgement as in the days of Noah)	
Saturday	John 10v1-18 (The Door, our entrance into Heaven)	

Important Lesson for us today: *God gave the people of Noah's day every opportunity and time to hear the Gospel, repent, and escape judgement. Noah preached and warned for 120 years as he built the Ark, pleading with them to believe God - that He would send a flood to judge them for their sin and that their only way of salvation was to repent, believe, and come into the Ark. The people rejected this clear warning and so were without excuse. We too are without excuse - given every opportunity to be eternally safe on Judgement Day. God's Ark is a type (a picture) of the Lord Jesus Christ Who is the only way of salvation. Will we accept, and believe that we are lost sinners who can only be eternally made safe by believing on the Lord Jesus Christ? God's Final Judgement will be at the end of time. **Now is the Day of Salvation.***

Hymn 494 - A prayer of heartfelt repentance; Make this your prayer every day.

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| 1. I bring my sins to Thee,
The sins I cannot count,
That I now cleansed may be
In Thy once-opened fount:
I bring them, Saviour, all to Thee;
The burden is too great for me. | 3. My life I bring to Thee,
I would not be my own;
O Saviour, may I be
Thine ever, Thine alone!
My heart, my life, my all, I bring
To Thee, my Saviour and my King. |
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EDT Bible/College Class Take Home Sheet.

This sheet is given to remind you of the lesson and to encourage you to read your Bible.

The Terrible Consequences of Sin – God's Holy Judgement.

- **God's Sorrow** - He is 'Grieved in His Heart over Sin'.
 - Our Sin is an attitude of our heart towards God – Unbelief and total rebellion.
 - In the days of Noah, (about 1,535 years after Creation), God saw *'that the hearts of men was only evil, continually'*. Genesis 6v5-6
 - The Sons of Seth married the unbelieving daughters of Cain and every evil imaginable was practiced by them. Genesis 6v2
 - God's Absolute Holiness demands that Sin must be punished BUT He also remembers, in His Mercy and Grace, His Promise to Save those who repent.
- **Noah found Grace in the Sight of the Lord.**
 - Noah's heart was right before God – A Just man who *'walked with God'* - seeking and finding God's forgiveness for his sin he was deemed righteous.
 - God's Kind Promise to Noah – "In 120 years' time I will destroy mankind by a universal flood - but I will save you and your family." Genesis 6v18
 - God gave Noah the detailed instructions for building the Ark: - The size, in metres, was 138 long x 23 high x 14 wide, with 3 floors, 1 small window and 1 door, enough room for 8 people, birds, animals and food.
- **Noah Faithfully Obeys - Builds the Ark; Preaches a Warning Message.**
 - God gave all people on earth 120 years to hear the Gospel and believe.
 - Their response? Mocking and scoffing. They were far from water, and had never experienced rain yet – 'What Flood, Noah? You must be mad'.
 - God shut the door of the ark - their opportunity gone - Too late to Repent.
 - Complete safety for Noah, his family, the birds, and animals within the Ark.
 - It Rains for 40 days and nights, the Fountains of The Deep open wide – The waters rise, the whole earth is flooded - All that breathed outside the Ark, died.

There is a large amount of archaeological and geological evidence of a world-wide flood.

Many cultures, (descendants of Noah), have recorded a catastrophic flood in their history.

- **God has Promised to bring this Sinful World to an End.**
 - We live in similar times to Noah – Gross sinfulness, Rejecting God – the vast majority heedless of The Gospel and The Final Judgement to come.
 - Noah' Ark is a picture of the Lord as Saviour. All who trust Him will be saved.

Read John 10v1-18. Jesus said, "I AM The Door (into Heaven)" Noah entered via the door.

- God has provided a way of escape for us on The Day of Judgement – having sent His Own Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross of Calvary to Save us.
- How foolish to ignore God's kind offer of Salvation? Come to Christ today.

The Apostle Peter wrote - *"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."*

2 Peter 3v9