

GENESIS –Lesson 21

Learn: If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God: Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. Colossians 3:1-3

Read: Genesis 7:1-24

1. In Genesis 6:22 what does the Lord tell us about Noah?
2. What did Noah's obedience to God include? From Genesis 6:9-20.
3. What did Noah demonstrate by his obedience to God's command? Hebrews 11:7
4. What was the Lord's command to Noah in Genesis 7:1-3?
5. What is the importance of the God saying "Come thou and all thy house into the ark," rather God saying "Go?"
6. Could Noah make the decision for his grown children, and their wives, as well as his own wife to come into the ark? Explain.
7. What would the choice of going into the ark mean to each person?
8. What instruction did the Lord give Noah concerning the animals and why? vv 2, 3

Since no categorization of animals as “clean” or “unclean” is given in Genesis, it is possible that the Lord allowed Noah himself to decide which were clean or unclean. The three pairs were to encourage the relatively greater numerical proliferation of the clean animals after the Flood (on par with man, with three surviving families) and perhaps also allow for a greater variety of genetic factors, so that more varieties could be developed later as needed. THE GENESIS RECORD pp 109-191 Dr. Henry Morris

9. What was the purpose of the seventh animal? Genesis 8:20

10. When did the Lord spell out clearly what were “clean” and what were “unclean” animals? Leviticus 11:1-2, 46-47

11. When were these distinctions removed altogether and why?
Acts 10:9-15; 15:20; Acts 15:20; I Timothy 4:1-5

12. From the time that God told Noah and his family to go into the ark and get all the animals, birds, and creeping things on board, how long till God would bring the Flood? v 4

13. How bad of a Flood was God going to send? vv 4, 19-24

A worldwide rain lasting forty days would be quite impossible under present atmospheric conditions; so this phenomenon required an utterly different source of atmospheric waters than now obtains. This we have already seen to be “waters above the firmament,” the vast

thermal blanket of invisible water vapor that maintained the greenhouse effect of the antediluvian world. These waters were to condense and fall on the earth.

God also revealed that everything in the dry land that had life would be literally, “wiped out” from the face of the ground. This was to be no small matter; the earth would be completely cleansed of its corruption in this global bath from heaven. The words translated “every living substance” are kol yeyum, and mean literally, “all existence,” or “all that grows up.” This concept does not limit itself merely to every thing “with the breath of life,” but seems to include plants as well as animals. The ground was to be so inundated and devastated as to be made utterly barren of vegetation. The lush forests and meadows of the antediluvian world were to be uprooted, washed away, and finally either buried in the sediments (where they would one day become coal beds of the post-Flood world) or else just decay and go back to dust.

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14. Again in verse 5, what do we learn about Noah?

15. What did Noah’s obedience include at this point? vv7-9

16. When did the Flood come? v 11

17. Where did all the water that flooded the earth come from? v 11

Once the fountains of the great deep were broken up all over the world, there would have been volcanic explosions and eruptions that poured out great quantities of magma up from the earth’s mantle along with the waters.

Furthermore, immense quantities of volcanic dust would have been blown skyward, along with gigantic sprays of water and turbulent surges of the atmosphere. All this would easily trigger condensation of the water vapor in the atmosphere, causing a global downpour of rain. Dr. Henry Morris

18. How long did the rain pour down upon the earth? v 12

19. What would be the reason for vv 14-16 being nearly a repetition of vv7-9?

20. What does the phrase “and God shut him in,” indicate to you? v 16

21. Now the old world was forever dead to Noah and those who were on the ark with him. From now on they would have a new life and they would live in a new world. The Ark of safety endured the batterings of the Flood for them, as the flood destroyed the ungodly which would otherwise soon have destroyed them. How do Galatians 1:4 and Colossians 3:2, 3 show these same things for believers in Jesus Christ?

Make a comparison chart of Jesus our safety and the ark of safety for Noah.