

Our Holy God
Genesis 6-9

Getting Started

- ❖ Noah “found favor” in the eyes of the Lord. In other words, he was an undeserving recipient of God’s grace. How has God been gracious to you in recent weeks?

Key Ideas for Discussion

1. Humanity is radically and totally corrupted by sin. (Vs.6:5, 11-13; 8:21)
2. God’s judgement is the right response to sin, reflecting both His holiness and love. (vs.6:6-7)
3. Because He is gracious, God provides salvation for sinners who trust Him. (vss.6:8-9)

Takeaway Truth: There is a future judgement coming that demands our preparation and proclamation of the gospel. (9:11-13; Mt. 24:37-39; 2 Peter 3:5-7)

Digging Deeper

- ❖ What was the Lord’s assessment of the spiritual condition of the human race before the Flood? (Gen. 6:5, 11, 12)
- ❖ What was the Lord’s emotional reaction to human degradation? (Gen. 6:6)
- ❖ Why was the Lord’s response to Noah different? (Gen. 6:8, 9)
- ❖ In Genesis 6:18-21, what were the terms of the covenant the Lord made with Noah in each of these areas: People, Other Creatures, Provisions?
- ❖ Where did the waters come from that flooded the earth in judgment? (Gen. 7:11)
- ❖ How did the Flood accomplish its terrible work of judgment? (Gen. 7:20-24)
- ❖ Why did the Lord have Noah take more clean animals and birds than unclean animals? (Gen. 8:20)
- ❖ How have you seen the Lord judge sin in your life or in the life of someone else? Did He allow sowing and reaping to take its course, or did He intervene directly? How was the judgment an act of mercy and preservation for the one judged or for others?
- ❖ Read the first 6 verses of chapter 9. What do they teach us about murder? Why do you think God put these verses here immediately after the Flood?
- ❖ Chapter 9 very much communicates a fresh start for humanity and creation. What fresh starts has the Lord granted you in your life?

Think About It!

Human violence wins if you don’t believe in the doctrine of divine judgment. Here’s what those three problems are. If you don’t believe in divine judgment, you have no intellectual defense against the naturalness of violence, you have no emotional defense against the poisonousness of violence, and you have no cultural defense against the endlessness of violence. (Tim Keller)

WORSHIP RESOURCE

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WORSHIP SONGS

KING OF HEAVEN

Words and Music by Paul Baloche and Jason Ingram, 2010

Jesus, let your kingdom come here; let your will be done here
in us. Jesus, there is no one greater. You alone are Savior;
Show the world your love.

*King of heaven, come down; King of heaven, come now;
Let your glory reign, shining like the day, King of heaven come.
King of heaven, rise up; who can stand against us?
You are strong to save, in your mighty name, King of heaven come.*

We are children of your mercy, rescued for your glory. We cry Jesus,
set our hearts towards you; that every eye would see you lifted high.

King of heaven come. King of heaven come.
King of heaven come. King of heaven come.

WAY MAKER

Words and Music by Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu, 2016

You here, moving in our midst; I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, working in this place; I worship You, I worship You.

*You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.
That is who you are; that is who You are.*

You are here, turning lives around; I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, healing every heart; I worship You, I worship You.

Even when I don't see it, You're working. Even when I don't feel it,
You're working. You never stop, You never stop working

COME, THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

Words by Charles Wesley, 1744 | Music by Rowland Pritchard, 1855

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free.
From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art,
Dear Desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Joy to those who long to see thee, Dayspring from on high appear;
Come, thou promised Rod of Jesse, of thy birth we long to hear!
O'er the hills the angels singing, news, glad tidings of a birth:
"Go to him, your praises bringing; Christ the Lord has come to earth."

Come to earth to taste our sadness, he whose glories knew no end.
By thy life he brings us gladness, our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend.
Leaving riches without number, born within a cattle stall;
This, the everlasting wonder, Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King.
Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE

Words and Music by Jonny Robinson and Rich Thompson, 2016

Mine are days that God has numbered; I was made to walk with Him.
Yet, I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings.
But mine is hope in my Redeemer; though I fall, His love is sure.
For Christ has paid for every failing; I am His forevermore.

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood.
Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good. Mine
is peace that flows from heaven, and the strength in times of need.
I know my pain will not be wasted; Christ completes His work in me.

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way. One with
Christ I will encounter harem and hatred for His name. But mine is
armor for this battle, strong enough to last the war. And He has said
He will deliver safely to the golden shore.

And mine are keys to Zion city where beside the King I walk. For
there my heart has found its treasure; Christ is mine forevermore.
Come rejoice now, O my soul, for His love is my reward.
Fear is one and hope is sure; Christ is mine forevermore.

DAILY READINGS | BOOK OF COMMON WORSHIP

SUNDAY | Ps. 25; Isaiah 5:1-7; 2 Peter 3:11-18; Luke 7:28-35
MONDAY | Ps. 67; Isaiah 5:8-17; 1 Thess. 5:1-11; Luke 21:20-28
TUESDAY | Ps. 85; Isaiah 5:18-25; 1 Thess. 5:12-28; Luke 21:29-38
WEDNESDAY | Ps. 53; Isaiah 6:1-13; 2 Thess. 1:1-12; John 7:53-8:11
THURSDAY | Ps. 126; Isaiah 7:1-9; 2 Thess. 2:1-12; Luke 22:1-13
FRIDAY | Ps. 16; Isaiah 7:10-25; 2 Thess. 2:13-3:5; Luke 22:14-30
SATURDAY | Ps. 72; Isaiah 8:1-15; 2 Thess. 3:6-18; Luke 22:31-38

PRAYER OF RENEWAL

Lord Jesus, during this Advent season,
we think of John the Baptist,
the one who came before you, to prepare your way
through the confession of sin and baptism.
May your indwelling Spirit speak into our hearts today
and lead us to repentance, that we may strive
to be found by you without spot or blemish, and at peace;
and may we regard your patience as salvation.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.



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