

Digging Deeper: Discovery Bible Study

50 Great Passages from the Bible

Genesis 6-9

Additional Notes

The story of Noah qualifies as one of the great “_____” of the Bible! A “_____” is an extended account in Scripture that can be broken down into several smaller narrative passages.

Let’s see how many “life-lessons” or foundational principles come to your mind from your recollection and reading of the “master narrative” dealing with Noah and the flood (Genesis 6:5 – 9:29)...

Foundational Truths from Genesis 6.5 – 9.29

What foundational truth comes to mind “right off the bat” from Genesis 6:1-13?

1. The _____ of humanity (6.5, 11-12, 13b cp. Romans 1:18-3:20, 23; 5.12-21; 7.15-24; Isaiah 64.6-7; Psalm 14.1-3; 51.1-5; 58.3; 143.2; 1 Kings 8.46 cp. Proverbs. 20.9; Ephesians 2.1-3; 4.17-19; Jeremiah 17.9-10; John 8.34-36; 1 John 1.8-10

What contrasting “foundational truth” is emphasized in the same general area (esp. 6:8-10, 22; 7:5, 9c)?

2. The possibility of living a _____ (a life of _____ – Noah “walked with God” cp 5.22, 24 – Enoch) in a corrupt culture by faith and thus being granted “favor” with God. (6.8-9) Noah, however, was a person of faith and the obedience that results from it (Hebrews 11.7; cp. 6.22; 7.5, 9c)

By faith Noah...

- ✓ Constructed the ark
- ✓ Condemned the world
- ✓ Became an heir of righteousness

What impact does this passage reveal about the response of God to the sinfulness of humanity? (Genesis 6:5-7, 13, 17; 7:4, 10-24)

3. The _____ (and _____) that sin brings to God and the judgment that ensues. (6.6—7, 13, 17; 7.4, 10-24).
 - Ezekiel 14.12-23 (Judgment comes but a righteous remnant is preserved)
 - Nahum 1.2-8ff (The prophesied judgment on Nineveh uses “flood” imagery)

Additional Notes

Although not directly addressed in this “master narrative”; what do you know from related Scriptures elsewhere about the response of the broader culture to God’s warning through Noah?

4. The _____ of those in the broader culture – they _____ and _____ at God’s warning through Noah

- Matthew 24.36-39 and Luke 17.25-27 (People will think Christians are crazy to keep on talking about certain judgment and Christ’s coming. They go on living life as usual... UNTIL...!
- 2 Peter 3.1-18 (The certainty of fulfilled prophecy and coming judgment and the need to take it seriously, be prepared and live holy righteous lives draws on the account of “the flood”)

What wonderful foundational truth do you believe is taught by the flood and Noah’s obedient construction of the ark (Genesis 6:14 – 8:19 cp. 2 Peter 2:4-9)

5. Judgment is certain but God knows how to _____ and _____ His people – those who believe and “come into the ark” (6.14 – 8.19)

- 2 Peter 2.4-5 ... 9-10
- 1 Peter 3.18-20 – God’s provision (the Ark) and their faith and obedience (believing and going into it) resulted in their “salvation” (what destroyed others – resulted in their salvation)!

Based upon how the account of the flood and the ark ends (Genesis 8:13-22) what would you say is the appropriate response to God’s salvation?

6. _____ is the appropriate response to salvation – gratitude and thanksgiving please God and lead to His blessing! (8.20 – 9:7 cp. Hebrews 13.15-17; Philippians 4.18)

And what was God’s gracious response to Noah’s worship (Genesis 9:1-17)?

7. God graciously initiates _____ with Noah and his offspring (9.8-17).

Oh the covenant compassion, mercy and grace of God! (Isaiah 54.7-10)!

One more foundational truth... What might be the life-lesson from Genesis 9:18-28 (Cp.1 Corinthians 10:11-13)?

8. The final foundational truth from the account of Noah and the ark...

(9:18-29 cp. 1 Corinthians 10.12-13)