

The Flood

Chapter 7

1 Then the Lord said to Noah, "***Enter the ark, you and all your household, for you alone I have seen to be righteous before Me in this time.*** **2** "You shall take with you of every clean animal by sevens, a male and his female; and of the animals that are not clean two, a male and his female; **3** also of the birds of the sky, by sevens, male and female, to keep offspring alive on the face of all the earth. **4** "For after seven more days, I will send rain on the earth forty days and forty nights; and I will blot out from the face of the land every living thing that I have made." **5** **Noah did according to all that the Lord had commanded him.**

6 Now Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of water came upon the earth. **7** Then Noah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him entered the ark because of the water of the flood. **8** Of clean animals and animals that are not clean and birds and everything that creeps on the ground, **9** there went into the ark to Noah by twos, male and female, as God had commanded Noah. **10** It came about after the seven days, that the water of the flood came upon the earth. **11** In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on the same day ***all the fountains of the great deep burst open, and the floodgates of the sky were opened.*** **12** ***The rain fell upon the earth for forty days and forty nights.***

13 On the very same day Noah and Shem and Ham and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them, entered the ark, **14** they and every beast after its kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth after its kind, and every bird after its kind, all sorts of birds. **15** So they went into the ark to Noah, by twos of all flesh in which was the breath of life.

16 Those that entered, male and female of all flesh, entered as God had commanded him; and the Lord closed *it* behind him.

17 ***Then the flood came upon the earth for forty days,*** and the water increased and lifted up the ark, so that it rose above the earth. **18** The water prevailed and increased greatly upon the earth, and the ark floated on the surface of the water. **19** The water prevailed more and more upon the earth, **so that all the high mountains everywhere under the heavens were covered.** **20** The water prevailed fifteen cubits higher, and the mountains were covered.

21 ***All flesh that moved on the earth perished, birds and cattle and beasts and every swarming thing that swarms upon the earth, and all mankind;***

22 ***of all that was on the dry land, all in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, died.***

23 ***Thus He blotted out every living thing that was upon the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky, and they were blotted out from the earth; and only Noah was left, together with those that were with him in the ark.***

24 ***The water prevailed upon the earth one hundred and fifty days.***

The Flood Subsides

Chapter 8

1 But God remembered Noah and all the beasts and all the cattle that were with him in the ark; and God caused a wind to pass over the earth, and the water subsided. **2** Also the fountains of the deep and the floodgates of the sky were closed, and the rain from the sky was restrained; **3** and the water receded steadily from the earth, and at the end of one hundred and fifty days the water decreased. **4** In the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark rested upon the mountains of Ararat. **5** The water decreased steadily until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains became visible.

6 Then it came about at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made; **7** and he sent out a raven, and it flew here and there until the water was dried up from the earth. **8** Then he sent out a dove from him, to see if the water was abated from the face of the land; **9** but the dove found no resting place for the sole of her foot, so she returned to him into the ark, for the water was on the surface of all the earth. Then he put out his hand and took her, and brought her into the ark to himself. **10** So he waited yet another seven days; and again he sent out the dove from the ark. **11** The dove came to him toward evening, and behold, in her beak was a freshly picked olive leaf. So Noah knew that the water was abated from the earth. **12** Then he waited yet another seven days, and sent out the dove; but she did not return to him again.

13 Now it came about in the six hundred and first year, in the first *month*, on the first of the month, the water was dried up from the earth. Then Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and behold, the surface of the ground was dried up. **14** In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. **15** Then God spoke to Noah, saying, **16** "Go out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and your sons' wives with you. **17** "Bring out with you every living thing of all flesh that is with you, birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, that they may breed abundantly on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth." **18** So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him. **19** Every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by their families from the ark.

20 Then Noah built an altar to the Lord , and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. **21** The Lord smelled the soothing aroma; and the Lord said to Himself, "I will never again curse the ground on account of man, for the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth; and I will never again destroy every living thing, as I have done. **22** "While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest,
And cold and heat,
And summer and winter,
And day and night
Shall not cease."

Covenant of the Rainbow

Chapter 9

1 *And God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth (Gen 1:28).*

2 "The fear of you and the terror of you will be on every beast of the earth and on every bird of the sky; with everything that creeps on the ground, and all the fish of the sea, into your hand they are given. **3** "Every moving thing that is alive shall be food for you; I give all to you, as *I gave* the green plant. **4** "Only you shall not eat flesh with its life, *that is*, its blood. **5** "Surely I will require your lifeblood; from every beast I will require it. And from *every* man, from every man's brother I will require the life of man. **6** "Whoever sheds man's blood, By man his blood shall be shed,

For in the image of God

He made man. **7** "As for you, be fruitful and multiply;

Populate the earth abundantly and multiply in it."

8 Then God spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying,

- **9** "Now behold, I Myself do establish My covenant with you, and with your descendants after you;

What is a covenant?

Noaic Covenant

Abrahamic Covenant

Mosaic Covenant

Davidic Covenant

New Covenant

10 and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the cattle, and every beast of the earth with you; of all that comes out of the ark, even every beast of the earth. **11** "I establish **My covenant** with you; and all flesh shall never again be cut off by the water of the flood, neither shall there again be a flood to destroy the earth." **12** God said, "This is the sign of the **covenant** which I am making between Me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all successive generations; **13** I set My bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a sign of **a covenant between Me and the earth**. **14** "It shall come about, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow will be seen in the cloud, **15** and I will remember **My covenant**, which is between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and never again shall the water become a flood to destroy all flesh. **16** "When the bow is in the cloud, then I will look upon it, to remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." **17** And God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the **covenant which I have established between Me and all flesh that is on the earth**."

18 Now the sons of Noah who came out of the ark were Shem and Ham and Japheth; and Ham was the father of Canaan. **19** These three *were* the sons of Noah, and from these the whole earth was populated.

20 Then Noah began farming and planted a vineyard. **21** He drank of the wine and became drunk, and uncovered himself inside his tent. **22** Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brothers outside. **23** But Shem and Japheth took a garment and laid it upon both their shoulders and walked backward and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces were turned away, so that they

Descendants of Noah

Chapter 10

1 Now these are *the records of the generations of Shem, Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah; and sons were born to them after the flood.*

2 The sons of Japheth *were* Gomer and Magog and Madai and Javan and Tubal and Meshech and Tiras. **3** The sons of Gomer *were* Ashkenaz and Riphath and Togarmah. **4** The sons of Javan *were* Elishah and Tarshish, Kittim and Dodanim. **5** From these the coastlands of the nations were separated into their lands, every one according to his language, according to their families, into their nations.

6 The sons of Ham *were* Cush and Mizraim and Put and Canaan. **7** The sons of Cush *were* Seba and Havilah and Sabtah and Raamah and Sabteca; and the sons of Raamah *were* Sheba and Dedan. **8** Now Cush became the father of Nimrod; he became a mighty one on the earth. **9** He was a mighty hunter before the Lord ; therefore it is said, "Like Nimrod a mighty hunter before the Lord." **10** The beginning of his kingdom was Babel and Erech and Accad and Calneh, in the land of Shinar. **11** From that land he went forth into Assyria, and built Nineveh and Rehoboth-Ir and Calah, **12** and Resen between Nineveh and Calah; that is the great city. **13** Mizraim became the father of Ludim and Anamim and Lehabim and Naphtuhim **14** and Pathrusim and Casluhim (from which came the Philistines) and Caphtorim.

15 Canaan became the father of Sidon, his firstborn, and Heth **16** and the Jebusite and the Amorite and the Girgashite **17** and the Hivite and the Arkite and the Sinite **18** and the Arvadite and the Zemarite and the Hamathite; and afterward the families of the Canaanite were spread abroad. **19** The territory of the Canaanite extended from Sidon as you go toward Gerar, as far as Gaza; as you go toward Sodom and Gomorrah and Admah and Zeboiim, as far as Lasha. **20** These are the sons of Ham, according to their families, according to their languages, by their lands, by their nations.

21 Also to Shem, the father of all the children of Eber, *and* the older brother of Japheth, children were born. **22** The sons of Shem *were* Elam and Asshur and Arpachshad and Lud and Aram. **23** The sons of Aram *were* Uz and Hul and Gether and Mash. **24** Arpachshad became the father of Shelah; and Shelah became the father of Eber. **25** Two sons were born to Eber; the name of the one *was* Peleg, for in his days the earth was divided; and his brother's name *was* Joktan. **26** Joktan became the father of Almodad and Sheleph and Hazarmaveth and Jerah **27** and Hadoram and Uzal and Diklah **28** and Obal and Abimael and Sheba **29** and Ophir and Havilah and Jobab; all these were the sons of Joktan. **30** Now their settlement extended from Mesha as you go toward Sephar, the hill country of the east. **31** These are the sons of Shem, according to their families, according to their languages, by their lands, according to their nations.

32 **These are the families of the sons of Noah, according to their genealogies, by their nations; and out of these the nations were separated on the earth after the flood.**
