

Living in the Last Days: A Course on the End Times

Class 4 Notes – Get In The Ark: Lessons From Noah

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Our World Today

- Worldometer - real-time statistics on 10/26/20
 - Current World Population: 7,821,186,010
 - Births this year: 114,965,513
 - Births today: 226,087
 - Deaths today: 94,937
 - Communicable disease deaths this year: 10,652,591
 - Seasonable flu deaths this year: 401,371
 - Abortions this year: 34,926,011
 - HIV/AIDS infected people: 42,205,074
 - Deaths caused by HIV/AIDS this year: 1,379,455
 - Deaths caused by smoking this year: 4,102,134
 - Deaths caused by alcohol this year: 2,052,361
 - Suicides this year: 879,953
- The millions of deaths by abortion, AIDS, smoking, alcohol, and suicide are preventable for the most part

The Days of Noah

- **Mat. 24:37-38** - "37 But **as the days of Noe were**, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,"
- **Luke 17:26-29** - "26 And **as it was in the days of Noe**, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. 27 They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. 28 Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; 29 But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all."
 - The days of Noah and the days of Lot were times of partying, violence, sexual promiscuity
- Noah also spelled Noe in the New Testament

Sons of God - Men of Renown

Gen. 6:1-3 - "1 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, 2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose. 3 And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years. 4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown."

- In the days of Noah, on one hand things were flourishing - people building, multiplying
- v. 2 "the sons of God" - NOT talking about angels
 - **Gen. 4:25-26** - "... And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enos: then began men to call upon the **name** of the LORD."
 - *As it is in the New Testament, those who receive His name become His sons*
 - **John 1:12-13** - "12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: ..."
 - In the Old Testament those who got His names were His son
 - Angels neither marry nor are they given in marriage (**Mat. 22:30**)
 - Given in marriage - having sex
 - Angels don't have sex
- v. 2 the sons of God see the daughters of men (the seed of Cain, representing the ungodly) - godly people mixed and married with ungodly folks
 - *When you see those who are saved marry and buddy with the world and accept it, it is the start of a downward sinful cycle*
- v. 3 God decided He wasn't going to keep doing this - they had 120 years to get it together
 - Noah was a preacher of righteousness (**2 Pet. 2:5**) and God waited (**1 Pet. 3:20**)
- v. 4 there were giants in the earth in those days
 - Giants - not just in physical stature, but someone who has a name for themselves
- v. 4 mighty men - men of renown
 - Renown - **shem** (S:8034) - Hebrew word for name, renown, fame, famous
 - *In the days of Noah, you have people who are focused on making a name for themselves*
 - Not about being the sons of God, and having His name
 - They were willing to let go of God and having His name - have a love for self so they magnify themselves rather than God
 - Cp. **2 Tim. 3:1-2, 4** perilous times: for men shall be lovers of their own selves, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God
 - It's all about them

- Whenever man begins to remove God out of the equation, his conscience leaves as he leaves God
 - *As God's name becomes less important and man's name becomes more important, we see negative consequences then and now*

Imaginations of the Thoughts of His Heart

Gen. 6:5 - "And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually."

- *As the godly blend with the world, and they make a name for themselves, iniquity, wickedness, and evil grow in the land*
- Thought in the Bible speaks of hastening to return - when you have thoughts, they transport you from where you are to what you're thinking about
- Not just the thoughts but EVERY *imagination* of the thoughts of the HEART
 - Thought of heart (rather than thought of mind) - desire, feeling, what they have to have
 - **Mat. 6:21 / Luke 12:34** - "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."
- *The things that are important, the things valued were only evil continually*
- Evil - **ra' רע** (S:7451) - God's picture of evil is a man going after what he sees
 - **Resh ר** - a picture of a man's head
 - **Ayin ע** - a picture of an eye (translated in the KJV Bible as eye or eyes)
 - Not just what they could physically see that he was drawing him, but in the days of Noah it was worse: the imagination of the thoughts of their heart were evil continually
 - **Job 31:1** - "I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a maid?"

Earth Corrupt & Filled with Violence

Gen. 6:11 - "The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence."

- Corrupt - **shachath** (S:7843) - Jewish rabbis say this word often depicts sexual immorality
 - Also a word that is used of idolatry
 - In the Bible, idolatry is spoken of as adultery - God's bride, people, church having an affair on Him with another god
 - In the days of Noah they were marrying and giving in marriage (**Mat. 24:38**) so we know it's dealing with *sexual immorality* here
 - Cp. **Gen. 6:2** - the sons of God married the daughters of men, and took wives of all they chose
 - They took wives of all which they chose - didn't matter if they were already married

- The Jews, the Hebrews, said this not only included marrying women but also men and beasts
- Original statistics from today reflect the violence of this day
 - Ex. 34 million abortions this year, record-breaking numbers of murders in major cities
 - There was murder going on in the days of Noah
 - **Abortion is murder according to the scripture**
 - Supporting and okaying it is the greater sin (cp. [John 19:11](#))
 - [Gen. 16:11](#) an angel told Hagar she was with child
 - [Gen. 19:36](#) Lot gets his daughters pregnant and they are said to be with child
 - How? He didn't want to have sex with his daughters, but he was in a partying mood and got drunk ([Gen. 19:32-35](#))
 - [Prov. 23:29-35](#) Your morality sinks with your addiction
 - A child (not just a fetus or embryo) was in each of them - the day they conceived they were with child
 - If they aborted it, according to the word of God, they were aborting a child
 - [Ecc. 11:5](#) before the bones even start growing she has a child
 - It is going to be like it is in the days of Noah
 - Murders are of little children and adults

All Flesh

[Gen. 6:12-13](#) - "12 And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth. 13 And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth."

- When God speaks here, He doesn't just include mankind - His statement was about all flesh corrupting his way on the earth
- The Jews said when it spoke of taking wives it was of whoever (v. 2) and there was all kinds of corruption (sexual immorality - no discretion, no lines)
 - Hundreds of years ago, concerning this verse they taught that even animals had lost their way in what they would do and how they would do
- v. 13 God said, "The end of all flesh is come before me; for [because] the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth."
 - v. 13 He's going to destroy all flesh
 - v. 12 all flesh had corrupted his way
 - Who all is destroyed?
 - [Gen. 6:17](#) - "And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die."

- All flesh included the birds, the beasts, everything that crawled (v. 19) - the earth got so out of control that all flesh corrupted itself and all flesh got destroyed because all flesh was doing wrong

FOR - The Reason

Gen. 6:13 FOR

- Why did God destroy the earth? Not just because of their sexual immorality, marrying and giving in marriage
- One of the things the Word of God says is the reason He's had enough is because the **earth is filled with violence through them**
- Because of what man had done, sin had its way on the earth
 - If man does what He's supposed to do, and serves God, we hinder Satan from having his way (2 Thes. 2:6-7)
 - Even when Satan is cast to the earth in Rev. 12-13, there is going to be Satan, the antichrist (a man), and a beast, and life will be given to the beast and it will be able to talk
 - Messed up situation, mirroring the days of Noah - not because Satan ushered it in but because **men, the Sons of God, left their place and associated with the world, so morality decreases and violence increases**
 - Because violence increased, God destroyed the world in the days of Noah and we see the beginnings of the same thing happening now
- *The catastrophe would not have come if not for man ushering in the violence*
 - Man didn't retain their association and relationship with God
 - As it was in the days of Noah, it is going to be like that now
 - Marrying and giving in marriage - they'll be doing that with other folks and things
 - Not just normal fornication (which is sin), but also bestiality, human trafficking (mostly of little kids), promiscuity

Preacher of Righteousness

- 2 Pet. 2:4-9 - "...5 And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly; ..."
 - v. 5-6 ungodly
 - v. 7-8 Lot was affected and infected by what was going on
 - Noah preached for 120 years
- What does Noah's name mean?
 - Noah נֹחַ (S:5146) is from two Hebrew letters
 - Nun ן - a picture of a seed
 - Chet ך - a picture of a fence
 - Noah's name literally means comfort (Gen. 5:29)

- He represents in the New Testament the Comforter, a covering
 - [Luke 24:49](#) until ye be endued with power from on high (referring to the Holy Ghost)
 - Holy Ghost meant to be a covering
 - [Isa. 30:1](#) cover with a covering, but not of my spirit
- *Noah represented a covering for the people*

The Ark

- Noah, the covering, takes them into another place of safety: the ark
 - Ark = [tebah תבה](#) (S:8392)
 - [Tau ת](#) = cross
 - [Beth ב](#) = house
 - [Hey ה](#) = man standing, beholding
 - **God's picture of the ark** was a man standing in a house ([Beth ב](#)) with a cross on it ([Tau ת](#)), beholding with his hands lifted up ([Hey ה](#)) – **represents the church**
- No matter what is going in the world right now, Noah shows us we can be righteous in an ungodly world and saved out of godliness
 - *No matter how much violence and sexual immorality that is going on outside of the ark of safety, there is a place inside the ark of safety for those who believe the Word that is preached and answer the call*
- God saved man and beast during the days of Noah
 - No matter how bad you were, God can save today - you can come into the ark of safety if you answered the preached Word
- Noah - the comforter
 - The Holy Ghost leads and guides us ([John 16:13](#); [Rom. 8:14](#))
 - [Gen. 6:19-20](#) - "19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female. 20 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, **two of every sort shall come unto thee**, to keep them alive."
 - They didn't just happen to be caught by Noah, hunting
 - Something drove them to come to Noah, to keep them alive (v. 20)
 - They were drawn to the ark and they came
 - Everybody has that opportunity to come

Noah's Lifestyle

[Gen 6:8-9](#) - "8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD. 9 These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God."

- In a wicked day, Noah was righteous and perfect (v. 9)

- Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD (v. 9)
 - Grace in Hebrew - **Chen** חן (S:2580) - life in the fence
 - **Chet** ח - a picture of a fence
 - **Nun** נ - a picture of a seed, speaking of life or activity
 - Same two pictures in Noah's name נח but in reverse
- Noah walked with God (v. 9)
 - Enoch also walked with God, and God took him (**Gen. 5:24**)
 - Enoch was saved by way of the "upper taker" (raptured) because he walked with God - saved from the world, in the cloud
 - Noah walked with God, and came into the ark and all who answered the call came in the ark with him
 - Noah was saved in the ark, in the world
 - Both have one thing in common: they walked with God
- The world already looks exactly like it did in the days of Noah but you have an opportunity to get in the ark, and be saved

Not By Water, But By Fire

- God made a promise to never again destroy the world by flood
 - The token of His covenant was the rainbow (**Gen. 9:8-17**)
 - 5 colors in the rainbow in the Bible, and if you add them up in English (with A=1, B=2, etc.), they equal 296
 - Red [27] + Yellow [92] + Green [49] + Blue [40] + Purple [88] = 296
 - "The Earth" in Hebrew in Gen. 1:1 also equals 296
 - **Gen. 1:1** the earth = **הָאָרֶץ** haa'aarets
 - **Hey** ה is the number and value of 5
 - **Aleph** א is the number and value of 1
 - **Resh** ר is the number and value of 200
 - **Tzaddai** צ is the number and value of 90
 - "The earth" added up equals 296, which is 74 + 74 + 74 + 74.
 - 5 (Hey) + 1 (Aleph) + 200 (Resh) + 90 (Tzaddi) = **296**
 - His name is in all the earth (**Psa. 8:1, 9**)
 - 296 = 74 x 4
 - Jesus [English] = 74
 - J = 10
 - E = 5
 - S = 19
 - U = 21
 - S = 19

- The promise of the rainbow is wrapped up in His name
- The world is going to be destroyed a second time, by fire (**2 Pet. 3:6-7**)
 - Many times people wrongly think destroying something is ridding it, dissolving it, disintegrating it but when he destroyed the earth by the flood, the earth was still there
 - Ex. House destroyed by fire often still has a foundation or walls
 - The next time He's going to destroy the world by fire
 - Everything that is sinful and associated with sin is going up in flames
 - Then, there will be a new heaven and a new earth (**Rev. 21:1**) that comes and overtakes this old, burnt up world

By Faith

Heb. 11:7 - "7 By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith."

- The Lord doesn't do anything except He sends a word first (**Amos 3:7**)
 - Somebody will have the Word from God
- *By faith Noah was warned of things He didn't see*
 - **Rom. 10:17** - "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."
 - **Heb. 11:1** - "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."
 - **Rom. 8:24** - "...hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?"
- When he got the Word from God, he preached the Word from God (**2 Pet. 2:5**)
- **His whole household responded to the Word of God and they were saved**
 - Saved means being saved to life and being saved from death or disaster
- Because of him answering the call, he condemned the world
 - If God has just one person that can do it, that eliminates the excuses for everybody else that says it's not possible
 - Some people say you can't perfect, but Noah was perfect in his generations and walked with God (**Gen 6:9**)
 - He shut every mouth by what he did
- He became the heir [inheritor] of the righteousness which is by faith