

## “Judgment” - Genesis 6:13-22; 7:20-24

Ask - “What is the longest boat ride you have ever been on? Share your experience.”

Background - There were roughly 8 generations between Cain and Abel, the focal characters in last week’s lesson, and Noah. People lived for much longer then, so this period covered approximately 1500 years. During this time the people grew exceedingly sinful and wicked.

“The Ark” - Genesis 6:13-17

(v13-14a) What did God tell Noah that He was about to do? Why did He intend to do this? What did God tell Noah to do?

(v14b-16) How was the ark to be designed? Of what was it made? What were its dimensions? Describe its floor plan and layout.

(v17) How was God going to judge the earth? How extensive would this looming judgment be?

GOD SPOKE TO ADAM AND INSTRUCTED HIM TO BUILD AN ARK. BECAUSE OF THE GREAT SINFULNESS OF MANKIND, GOD HAD DETERMINED TO JUDGE THE EARTH WITH A FLOOD.

“The Covenant” - Genesis 6:18-22

(v18) What is a covenant? Who all was Noah to take on the Ark with him? How many total people would that be?

(v19-20) Other than the people, who else was to ride on the Ark? What types of animals? How many of each kind and what genders? Why?

(v21-22) What else was Noah supposed to take on the Ark? What was it to be used for? Did Noah comply with God’s instructions?

GOD MADE A COVENANT WITH NOAH TO SAVE AND SUSTAIN THE EARTH THROUGH HIM. IN FAITHFUL OBEDIENCE, NOAH PREPARED THE ARK JUST AS THE LORD INSTRUCTED.

“The Flood” - Genesis 7:20-24

(v20) When the flood came, how high did the waters rise? Why is this detail important to the story?

(v21-23) Save those on the Ark, what happened to all of the other people and

animals on the earth? What are the only class of animals that survived?

(v24) How long did the flood persist before it finally resided? Approximately how many months is that?

GOD SENT A GREAT FLOOD WHICH COVERED ALL LAND, LEAVING NO PLACE FOR SURVIVAL. ONLY THOSE ON THE ARK WERE SPARED.

Application - God judged mankind because of their sin. Only Noah, the faithful man of God, and his family were saved. The Ark which he built became the means of their salvation. In the same way, God still judges sinners and, in the Last Days, will again pour out His wrath upon the entire earth. Yet, those who are righteous, who trust in the Lord and follow Him, have a means of salvation in Jesus Christ. He is our Ark, our refuge from the judgment to come. What is your favorite part of Noah's story?