Bible Class – Noah – A Man of Great Faith

Genesis 5, 6, 7

Faith – Subject of the lesson. Faith is an underlying theme of all lessons from the Bible.

Noah Background:

- Great Grandfather Enoch 5:21, 24
- Grandfather Methuselah 5:26-27
- Father Lamech 5:28-32
- Noah (10th Generation)
- 3 Sons Shem, Ham, Japeth.
 - Through which son did Christ come? (SHEM)
 - We are all related to Noah and Adam.

Scene:

- No rain before now. The earth was watered by a mist.
- Man has been cast out of the garden.
- Sin has entered the world.
- Wickedness all over the earth.
 - 6:6 God repents He made man
 - Define repent.
 - Why did He repent?
 - $\circ~$ 6:7 God decides to start over. This is what happens after one repents.
 - 6:8 Memory verse
 - Noah was pleasing to God
 - How can we be pleasing to God?

Commands:

- 6:14 Build an ark
 - Cannot build a house.
 - God is specific from the start!
- 6:14 Gopher wood
 - What kind is that?
 - Would cedar work? It would smell really good!
- 6:14 Make rooms
- 6:14 Pitch it inside and out
- 6:15 Specific dimensions
 - Cubits: 300 x 50 x 30
 - What is a cubit?
 - Feet: 450 x 75 x 45
 - All successful boats are done on this proportion today. (30x5x3).
 - \circ The Titanic's proportions were 882¾ft x 92½ft x 104ft.
- 6:16 Window
 - \circ One

- Why was there a need for a window?
- 6:16 Door
 - o One
 - Why was there a need for a door?
- 6:16 3 Stories
- 6:19 Pairs
 - o Male & Female
 - o Why?
- 6:20 Each type
- 6:21 Food
- 7:2 Clean by 7s male and female.
- 7:2 unclean by 2s.
 - What makes it clean vs. unclean?
 - o Lev. 11
 - Parted hoof, cloven footed, chews the cud = clean
 - Divide the hoof = unclean
 - Chapter lists every type of animal on the list
- 7:3 Fowls by the 7s
- 6:22 & 7:5 are key verses. Almost the same verses.

The Flood:

- 7:4 Rained 40 days and nights
 - Aug. 28 to Oct. 7
 - Violent rain = 2"/hour
- 7:5 Noah obeyed
- 7:11 rained from above and waters filled up from below
- 7:20 15 cubits above the highest mountain peak
 - o Mt. Everest 29,029 ft.
 - New height would be 29,051.5 ft.
- 7:24 Waters remained for 150 days
 - That would be from Oct. 7 to March 6
 - Can you imagine living on the ark that long?
- Saved 8 people

Why is Noah remembered for his faith?

- 1. He did exactly what God commanded of him!
 - a. What would have happened if ...?
 - b. Have to follow all of God's words exactly.
 - c. That's part of the definition of Faith!
- 2. He was caring of others
 - a. He made sure his family was well taken care of during this trying time.
 - b. We never read of Noah questioning God.
 - c. We need to be caring of others, Gal. 6.
- 3. He was faithful to God

- a. Gen. 6:8
- b. His tombstone would probably say that and nothing else.
- c. Thomas Jefferson's tombstone mentions father, inventor, author, husband. It does not mention 3rd President. He listed what he saw was the most important.
- d. What would yours say?
 - i. Reflection of your life!
 - ii. I hope mine says "Justin found grace in the eyes of the Lord."
 - iii. Be like 6:22!

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