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Genesis 6 5 Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great upon the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was altogether evil all the time.

6 And the LORD regretted that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him in His heart. 7 So the LORD said, "I will blot out man, whom I have created, from the face of the earth—every man and beast and crawling creature and bird of the air-for I am grieved that I have made them."

Genesis 6 8 Noah, however, found favor in the eyes of the LORD. 9 This is the account of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation; Noah walked with God.

13 Then God said to Noah, "The end of all living creatures has come before Me, because through them the earth is full of violence. Now behold, I will destroy both them and the earth.

Genesis 6 14 Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood; make rooms in the ark and coat it with pitch inside and out. 15 And this is how you are to build it: The ark is to be 300 cubits long, 50 cubits wide, and 30 cubits high.

Genesis 6 17 And behold, I will bring floodwaters upon the earth, to destroy every creature under the heavens that has the breath of life. Everything on the earth will perish. 18 But I will establish My covenant with you, and you will enter the ark—you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you.

Genesis 6 22 So Noah did everything precisely as God had commanded him.

1 Then the LORD said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and all your family, because I have found you righteous in this generation. 2 You are to take with you seven of every kind of clean animal, a male and its mate, and two of every kind of unclean animal, a male and its mate, 3 and also seven of every kind of bird of the air, male and female, in order to preserve their offspring on the face of all the earth.

4 For seven days from now I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights, and I will wipe from the face of the earth every living thing I have made."

5 And Noah did all that the LORD had commanded him.

6 Now Noah was 600 years old when the floodwaters came upon the earth. 7 And Noah entered the ark, along with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives, to escape the waters of the flood. 8 The clean and unclean animals, the birds, and everything that crawls along the ground 9 came to Noah to enter the ark, two by two, male and female, as God had commanded him.

10 And after seven days the floodwaters came upon the earth.

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Genesis 7 13 On that very day Noah entered the ark, along with his sons Shem, Ham, and Japheth, and his wife, and the three wives of his sons—

16 And they entered, the male and female of every living thing, as God had commanded Noah. Then the LORD shut him in.

Genesis 7 20 The waters rose and covered the mountaintops to a depth of fifteen cubits. 21 And every creature that had moved upon the earth perished—birds, livestock, animals, every creature that swarms upon the earth, and all mankind.

22 Of all that had been on dry land, everything that had the breath of life in its nostrils died. 23 And every living thing on the face of the earth was destroyed—man and livestock, crawling creatures and birds of the air; they were blotted out from the earth, and only Noah remained, and those with him in the ark. 24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth for 150 days.

4 On the seventeenth day of the seventh month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat.5 And the waters continued to recede until the tenth month, and on the first day of the tenth month, the tops of the mountains became visible.

13 In Noah's six hundred and first year, on the first day of the first month, the water had dried up from the earth.

So Noah removed the covering from the ark and saw that the surface of the ground was dry. 14 By the twenty-seventh day of the second month, the earth was fully dry.

15 Then God said to Noah, 16"Come out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and your sons' wives.

17 Bring out all the living creatures that are with you—birds, livestock, and everything that crawls upon the ground—so that they can spread out over the earth and be fruitful and multiply upon it."

20 Then Noah built an altar to the LORD. Taking from every kind of clean animal and clean bird, He offered burnt offerings on the altar. 21 When the LORD smelled the pleasing aroma, He said in His heart, "Never again will I curse the ground because of man, even though every inclination of his heart is evil from his youth. And never again will I destroy all living creatures as I have done.

12 Lessons from the Account of the Flood:

- 1. The flood was a real historic event
- 2. God has absolute power over His creation
- 3. God cares more about spiritual condition of men's hearts than He does the environment
- 4. God owns the destruction of the flood There is no need to make excuses for Him

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5. All sin is against God Himself – and is much more evil and destructive than we can imagine

6. God does indeed judge sin

7. God's judgement falls on ALL people

8. God is able to clearly distinguish between the people He is for and the people He is against

2 Peter **2**

4 For if God did not spare the angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell, delivering them in chains to be held in gloomy darkness until their judgment; 5 if He did not spare the ancient world when He brought the flood on its ungodly people, but preserved Noah, a preacher of righteousness, among the eight;

2 Peter 2:6 if He condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to destruction, reducing them to ashes as an example of what is coming on the ungodly;

7 and if He rescued Lot, a righteous man distressed by the depraved conduct of the lawless

9 if all this is so, then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials and to hold the unrighteous for punishment on the day of judgment.

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1 Peter 3 In the ark a few people, only eight souls, were saved through water. 21 And this water symbolizes the baptism that now saves you—not the removal of dirt from the body, but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

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Leviticus 17 11 For the life of a creature is in the blood, and I have given it to you to make an atonement for your souls upon the altar, since it is the lifeblood that makes atonement.

1 John 4 9 This is how God's love was revealed among us: God sent His one and only Son into the world, so that we might live through Him. 10 And love consists in this: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

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Hebrews 11 7 By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in godly fear built an ark to save his family. By faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

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11. Those with saving faith will also have obeying faith12. God WILL destroy the earth once more

2 Peter 3

3 First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires.

4"Where is the promise of His coming?" they will ask. "Ever since our fathers fell asleep, everything continues as it has from the beginning of creation." 2 Peter 3:5 But they deliberately overlook the fact that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water,
6 through which the world of that time perished in the flood.

7 And by that same word, the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.
13But in keeping with God's promise, we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.

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