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THE BOOK OF BEGINNINGS

A New Creation, a Covenant and a Second
Chance

Genesis 8:15-21

15 Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶ “Come out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and their wives. ¹⁷ Bring out every kind of living creature that is with you—the birds, the animals, and all the creatures that move along the ground—so they can multiply on the earth and be fruitful and increase in number on it.”



Genesis 8:15-21

So Noah came out, together with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives. ¹⁹ All the animals and all the creatures that move along the ground and all the birds—everything that moves on land—came out of the ark, one kind after another.

²⁰ Then Noah built an altar to the LORD and, taking some of all the clean animals and clean birds, he sacrificed burnt offerings on it. ²¹ The LORD smelled the pleasing aroma and said in his heart: “Never again will I curse the ground because of humans, even though every inclination of the human heart is evil from childhood. And never again will I destroy all living creatures, as I have done.



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- **Noah exits the ark and worships God through sacrifice.**

Noah's obedience and worship were in response to God, not in order to control him.

- **Are you worshiping God from thanksgiving for his gifts and faithfulness?**
- **What should we be grateful and thankful for in our worship?**

God's covenant, plans, righteousness, power, holy justice, kindness, salvation, provision.

- **Some think people are basically good, and our problem is the world we live in.**
- **Noah's goodness didn't save him- his righteousness didn't come from within him.**
- **Hebrews 11:7.**
 - God didn't save Noah due to his righteousness.**
 - He gave Noah righteousness through faith so he could save him.**

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Genesis 9:21

When he drank some of its wine, he became drunk and lay uncovered inside his tent.



- **Noah didn't leave Noah behind**
If we are dependent on our righteousness, we are truly hopeless!
- **Sin is crouching at the door of your heart- are you taking it seriously?**
Are you walking closely with Jesus daily, moment to moment, breath to breath.

(Heb. 10:14)

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴ The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.



- You don't leave you behind, even after salvation.

Growing into the fullness of the new you happens every day.

How are you practically doing it?

- “God, take away the residue of sin, the persistent desire to indulge flesh and to be pretend to be the boy/girl king.”



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- **Our failures point us to grace and also to the daily work that is to be done.**

To live up into the righteousness that is ours through Christ.

- **Repentance- our hard work to live differently.**
- **Rest- trusting the work of the Spirit to change us and to give us strength and perseverance.**

Trusting that the Holy Spirit will not rest until he finishes his work in us.

- **Where are you lacking in hard work?**
Repentance- you work to sin, will you work to sin less?

- Trust-** actively trust the Holy Spirit in daily decisions and actions.

- **The Holy Spirit's job is to transform us in spiritual and practical ways. (2 Cor. 3:18)**

- **2 Peter 1:3-** don't spend too much time looking back, looking in the mirror, or shaking your fist upward at God.

- Live hard into the reality of the new, recreated, being-perfected you!**



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Genesis 9:8-11 NIV

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him: ⁹ “I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you ¹⁰ and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you: Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth.”



- **Why doesn't God destroy the earth again with a flood?**

Because God made a covenant with Mankind and Creation.

That Covenant makes a way forward for all to know re-creation through Jesus.



- **The rainbow is a reminder:**
 - To Mankind- because we tend to forget who God is and who we really are.**
 - To God- to pour his full attention toward us for our good and for our salvation.**
- **Also, we should remember Noah the right way.**
 - An imperfect man who lived in faith and trust of God's character and word.**

- **Christian- Noah built an altar and sacrificed after the flood & ark.**

What should we do in response to Jesus and Easter?

We must be living sacrifices and carry the praise of the Lord continuously on our hearts and lips!

- **The flood judgement points to the coming judgement of Jesus.**

Come to him while there is still time!

2 Peter 3:3-11 NIV

Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. ⁴ They will say, “Where is this ‘coming’ he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.” ⁵ But they deliberately forget that long ago by God’s word the heavens came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water. ⁶ By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. ⁷ By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.



2 Peter 3:3-11 NIV

But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. ⁹ The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.



2 Peter 3:3-11 NIV

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare.^[a]

¹¹ Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives.