Noan Father to Shem, Ham, & Japheth

Reader from Genesis 6:5-10,13-18,22,7:1,6-7,13-17,8:13-18

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² The Lord said, "I will blot out man whom I have cre-a-ted from the face of the land, from man to an-i-mals to creep-ing things and to birds of the sky; for I am sor-ry that I have made them." But No-ah found fa-vor in the eyes of the Lord. These are the re-cords of the gen-er-a-tions of No-ah. No-ah was a right-eous man, blame-less in his time; Noah walked with God.

3 No-ah be-came the fath-er of three sons: Shem, Ham, and Ja-pheth. Then God said to No-ah, "The end of all flesh has come be-fore Me; for the earth is filled with vi-o-lence be-cause of them; and be-hold, I am a-bout to des-troy them with the earth.

4 Make for your-self an ark of go-pher wood. This is how you shall make it: the length of the ark three hun-dred cu-bits, its breadth fif-ty cu-bits, and its height thir-ty cu-bits. You shall make a win-dow for the ark, and fin-ish it to a cu-bit from the top; and set the door of the ark in the side of it; you shall make it with low-er, sec-ond, and third decks

Be-hold, I, e-ven I am bring-ing the flood of wat-er up-on the earth, to des-troy all flesh in which is the breath of life, from un-der heav-en; ev-er-y-thing that is on the earth shall perish. But I will es-tab-lish My cov-e-nant with you; and you shall en-ter the arkyou and your sons and your wife, and your sons' wives with you.

Thus No-ah did; ac-cord-ing to all that God had com-mand-ed him, so he did. Then the Lord said to No-ah, "En-ter the ark, you and all your house-hold, for you a-lone I have seen to be right-eous be-fore Me in this time.

7 Now No-ah was six hun-dred years old when the flood of wat-er came up-on the earth. Then No-ah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him en-tered the ark be-cause of the wat-er of the flood

On the ver-y same day No-ah and Shem and Ham and Ja-pheth, the sons of No-ah, and No-ah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them, en-tered the ark, they and ev-er-y beast af-ter its kind, and all the cat-tle af-ter their kind, and ev-er-y creep-ing thing that creeps on the earth af-ter its kind, and ev-er-y bird af-ter its kind, all sorts of birds.

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So they went in-to the ark to No-ah, by twos of all flesh in which was the breath of life. Those that

en-tered, male and fe-male of all flesh, en-tered as God had com-mand-ed him; and the Lord closed it be-hind him. Then the flood came up-on the earth for for-ty days, and the wat-er in-creased and lift-ed up the ark, so that it rose a-bove the earth.

"Now it came a-bout in the six hun-dred and first year, in the first month, on the first of the month, the wat-er was dried up from the earth. Then No-ah re-moved the cov-er-ing of the ark, and looked, and be-hold, the sur-face of the ground was dried up. In the sec-ond month, on the twen-ty sev-enth day of the month, the earth was dry.

Then God spoke to Noah, " say-ing, "Go out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and your sons' wives with you. Bring out with you ev-er-y liv-ing thing of all flesh that is with you, that they may breed a-bun-dant-ly on the earth, and be fruit-ful and mul-ti-ply on the earth." So No-ah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him

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