



In the Beginning ... The Sin of Noah and the Curse on Canaan

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Truth for Life

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(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

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As we have learned, Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord. Noah and his wife, three sons and their wives, were the only ones God would deliver from the judgment of the Flood. By faith, Noah walked with the Lord and faithfully built the Ark. Yet, the history of Noah and his family now moves from faithfulness to failure and from rainbows to shadows. God allows us to behold the shameful sins of a great man of faith and the generational consequences that came as a result.

A Man of Faith and His Sin ... Genesis 9:18-29

I. Noah ... (9:17-23)

- As a _____
- As a _____
- And his _____

II. Noah's Sons (9:24-29)

- Canaan ... _____
- Shem ... _____
- Japheth ... _____

III. What the Flood did not Solve ...

- The _____

What Should We Learn?

1. _____ your Father and Mother.
2. _____ is a mocker, _____ a brawler, and whoever is led astray by it is not _____.
3. _____ yourself up. _____ is a Godly virtue.
4. Take God and his Word seriously. Play by the rules and you'll be _____ and your family will be _____.
5. Let's resolve to be a Family of God, removing _____ and upholding our _____ in Christ.

1. We all have different responses when we suddenly find ourselves not where we want to be. Two extreme responses are, 1) "It's the end of the world as we know it," and 2) "Don't worry, be happy, it will all work out." What might be the downside of living on either of these extremes?

If you asked two friends which way they think you would respond, what do you think they would say? What does that tell you about yourself?

2. None of us want to be known as the person who's blowing it. Realizing that we are giving in to temptation can be quite humbling and frightening to admit. What hope and incentive do the following verses give us when this occurs?

Proverbs 18:12 Isaiah 57:15 Hebrews 4:14-16 James 4:6

3. We often fall into sin because we don't understand how subtle temptation is. It takes us through a series of small compromises and/or unwise decisions until we are enticed into sinning. So, if we want to avoid temptation or stand up to it when it comes, we need to be prepared. How could the following passages help prepare you to deal with any temptations that may come your way?

Galatians 6:7-10 Romans 6:12-13 Hebrews 2:17-18

4. Looking at the "What Should We Learn" section of your notes, what application point is your greatest challenge? Is there one that God is nudging you to take to heart? What steps will you take to ensure this becomes a real step of faith for you and not just another point of conviction?

5. Here are some more challenging questions that will be great to ponder among your small group.
 - a. Why does God make us wait on Him? How can we know whether God is telling us "no" or "wait"?
 - b. What would you say to a person who felt that God was unfaithful because He did not answer their prayers as they felt He should?
 - c. How would you answer the person who said that if we emphasize God's grace, people will take advantage of it to go on in sin?
 - d. Is there a difference between not fearing God's judgment and not taking it seriously? (Consider 2 Cor. 5:10-11.)



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- Shem ... **Enrichment**
- Japheth ... **Enlargement**

III. What the Flood did not Solve ...

- The **Human Sin Problem**

What Should We Learn?

1. **Honor** your Father and Mother.
2. **Wine** is a mocker, **Strong Drink** a brawler, and whoever is led astray by it is not **Wise**.
3. **Cover** yourself up. **Modesty** is a Godly virtue.
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