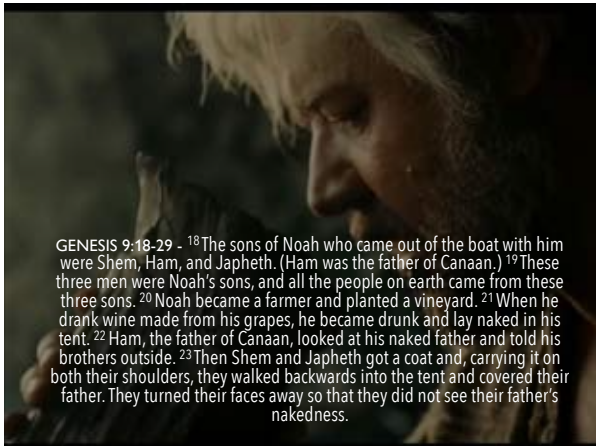




THE POSSIBILITIES EXPLAINED - Genesis 7:1-7

GENESIS 7:1-7 - Then the Lord said to Noah, "I have seen that you are the best person among the people of this time, so you and your family can go into the boat." ²Take with you seven pairs, each male with its female, of every kind of clean animal, and take one pair, each male with its female, of every kind of unclean animal. ³Take seven pairs of all the birds of the sky, each male with its female. This will allow all these animals to continue living on the earth after the flood. ⁴Seven days from now I will send rain on the earth. It will rain forty days and forty nights, and I will wipe off from the earth every living thing that I have made. ⁵Noah did everything the Lord commanded him. ⁶Noah was six hundred years old when the flood came. ⁷He and his wife and his sons and their wives went into the boat to escape the waters of the flood.



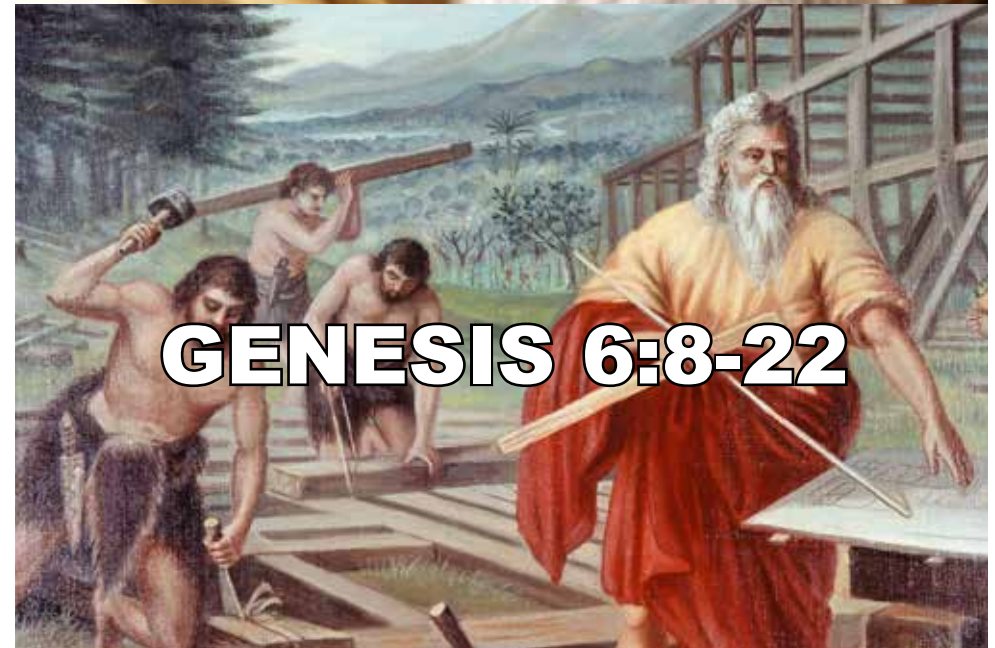
GENESIS 9:18-29 - ¹⁸The sons of Noah who came out of the boat with him were Shem, Ham, and Japheth. (Ham was the father of Canaan.) ¹⁹These three men were Noah's sons, and all the people on earth came from these three sons. ²⁰Noah became a farmer and planted a vineyard. ²¹When he drank wine made from his grapes, he became drunk and lay naked in his tent. ²²Ham, the father of Canaan, looked at his naked father and told his brothers outside. ²³Then Shem and Japheth got a coat and, carrying it on both their shoulders, they walked backwards into the tent and covered their father. They turned their faces away so that they did not see their father's nakedness.



²⁴Noah was sleeping because of the wine. When he woke up and learned what his youngest son, Ham, had done to him, ²⁵he said, "May there be a curse on Canaan! May he be the lowest slave to his brothers." ²⁶Noah also said, "May the Lord, the God of Shem, be praised! May Canaan be Shem's slave. ²⁷May God give more land to Japheth. May Japheth live in Shem's tents, and may Canaan be their slave." ²⁸After the flood Noah lived 350 years. ²⁹He lived a total of 950 years, and then he died.



DARE TO BE DIFFERENT



GENESIS 6:8-22

**THE POTENTIAL EXPRESSED
- V8-10**

But Noah found favour in the sight of the Lord. This is the account of Noah. Noah was a godly man; he was blameless among his contemporaries. He walked with God. Noah had three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth.



Hebrews 11:8 provides us with some more insights into Noah, when it says, by faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.



**THE PROBLEM EXPOSED
- V11-13**

The earth was ruined in the sight of God; the earth was filled with violence. God saw the earth, and indeed it was ruined, for all living creatures on the earth were sinful. So God said to Noah, "I have decided that all living creatures must die, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. Now I am about to destroy them and the earth.



THE PRESSURE EXPERIENCED - V14-21

Make for yourself an ark of cypress wood. Make rooms in the ark, and cover it with pitch inside and out. This is how you should make it: The ark is to be 450 feet long, 75 feet wide, and 45 feet high. Make a roof for the ark and finish it, leaving 18 inches from the top. Put a door in the side of the ark, and make lower, middle, and upper decks. I am about to bring floodwaters on the earth to destroy from under the sky all the living creatures that have the breath of life in them. Everything that is on the earth will die, but I will confirm my covenant with you. You will enter the ark—you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. You must bring into the ark two of every kind of living creature from all flesh, male and female, to keep them alive with you. Of the birds after their kinds, and of the cattle after their kinds, and of every creeping thing of the ground after its kind, two of every kind will come to you so you can keep them alive. And you must take for yourself every kind of food that is eaten and gather it together. It will be food for you and for them."



Mark 8:34 ³⁴ Then Jesus called the crowd to him, along with his followers. He said, "If people want to follow me, they must give up the things they want. They must be willing even to give up their lives to follow me. ³⁵ Those who want to save their lives will give up true life. But those who give up their lives for me and for the Good News will have true life. ³⁶ It is worthless to have the whole world if they lose their souls. ³⁷ They could never pay enough to buy back their souls. ³⁸ The people who live now are living in a sinful and evil time. If people are ashamed of me and my teaching, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes with his Father's glory and with the holy angels."

THE PERSEVERANCE EXERCISED - V22

²² And Noah did all that God commanded him—he did indeed.

Hebrews 11:7

⁷ It was by faith that Noah heard God's warnings about things he could not yet see. He obeyed God and built a large boat to save his family. By his faith, Noah showed that the world was wrong, and he became one of those who are made right with God through faith.

