

The Value of Human Life
Genesis 8:20-9:17

Main Point:

Though He destroyed the world by flood, God does care about human life; therefore, value the lives of your fellow man, just as He has valued yours.

1. God cares for human life because He promises never to flood the earth again and gives His blessing upon procreation.

2. God cares for human life because He makes provision for both the sustenance and protection of it.

3. God cares for human life because He sealed all these promises with a covenant.

4. God cares for your human life because He gave His Son to die for you.

5. Like God, value the lives of your fellow man.

J.G. Vos “Nature will be dependable so that human life can exist and human history can continue.”

J.G. Vos “A murderer is executed ... because it is right that he be executed. The character of God demands it.”

Genesis 6:13 ¹³ ... "The end of all flesh has come before Me, for the earth is filled with violence through them; and behold, I will destroy them with the earth. (NKJV)

R. Kent Hughes “It is unconditional because there will never be another cosmic destruction by water no matter what we earthlings do.”

Genesis 3:15 ¹⁵ And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel." (NKJV)

J.G. Vos “This mandate to fill the earth with people was accompanied by certain divine ordinances pertaining to the protection of human life and the sustenance of human life. These ordinances were necessary for the carrying out of the program of redemption through the course of history.”

Ephesians 5:2 ² ... Walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma. (NKJV)

1 John 4:10 ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins. (NKJV)

J.G. Vos “The nation or state that abolishes the death penalty for murder is itself sinning against God and may expect His judgment in some form.”

Proverbs 24:11 ¹¹ Deliver *those who* are drawn toward death, And hold back *those* stumbling to the slaughter. (NKJV)