

#### Introduction

The literary section of Genesis dealing with Noah is **Genesis 6:9 – 9:29**.

In this message we will limit our focus to **Genesis 6:9 – 8:22** (chap. 6, 7, and 8).

#### Thus far we have seen:

- God's good and perfect creation Gen. 1-2
- The temptation and rebellion of Adam and Eve (3)
- The awful impact Adam's sin had on the human race (Gen. 4-6:8).

#### Introduction

- God graciously and patiently allowed mankind 1,656 years to repent and enjoy His favor and blessing in personal fellowship with Himself.
- God kindly sent prophets to warn of coming judgment for rebellious attitudes and actions. (Enoch & Noah – Jude 1:14-15; 2 Pet. 2:5).
- Almost universally people rejected God's offer of forgiveness and fellowship, and pursued their own selfish and sinful desires.
- God declared the day of judgment would arrive after 120 more years of patience (Gen. 6:3).

Genesis 6:9 These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation. Noah walked with God. 10 And Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. 11 Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence. 12 And God saw the earth, and behold, it was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth. 13 And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

<sup>14</sup> Make yourself an ark of gopher wood. Make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. 15 This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark 450 feet, its breadth 75 feet, and its height 45 feet. <sup>16</sup> Make a roof for the ark, and finish it to 18 inches above, and set the door of the ark in its side. Make it with lower, second, and third decks. <sup>17</sup> For behold, I will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life under heaven. Everything that is on the earth shall die.

<sup>18</sup> But I will establish my covenant with you, and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. 19 And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every sort into the ark to keep them alive with you. They shall be male and female. 20 Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every creeping thing of the ground, according to its kind, two of every sort shall come in to you to keep them alive.

<sup>21</sup> Also take with you every sort of food that is eaten, and store it up. It shall serve as food for you and for them." <sup>22</sup> Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him.

- "gopher wood" perhaps cypress wood which was used extensively for ship building after the flood.
- Three decks one door a 18 in high window at the top for ventilation.











Genesis 7:1 Then the LORD said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you are righteous before me in this generation. 2 Take with you seven pairs of all clean animals, the male and his mate, and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and his mate, <sup>3</sup> and seven pairs of the birds of the heavens also, male and female, to keep their offspring alive on the face of all the earth.

<sup>4</sup> For in seven days I will send rain on the earth forty days and forty nights, and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground." 5 And Noah did all that the LORD had commanded him. 6 Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters came upon the earth. <sup>7</sup> And Noah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him went into the ark to escape the waters of the flood.

<sup>8</sup> Of clean animals, and of animals that are not clean, and of birds, and of everything that creeps on the ground, 9 two and two, male and female, went into the ark with Noah, as God had commanded Noah. 10 And after seven days the waters of the flood came upon the earth. 11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened.

<sup>12</sup> And rain fell upon the earth forty days and forty nights. 13 On the very same day Noah and his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them entered the ark, <sup>14</sup> they and every beast, according to its kind, and all the livestock according to their kinds, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, according to its kind, and every bird, according to its **kind**, every winged creature. <sup>15</sup> They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life.

<sup>16</sup> And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him. And the LORD shut him in. 17 The flood continued forty days on the earth. The waters increased and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. 18 The waters prevailed and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the face of the waters. <sup>19</sup> And the waters prevailed so mightily on the earth that all the high mountains under the whole heaven were covered.

<sup>20</sup> The waters prevailed above the mountains, covering them more than 22 feet deep. 21 And all flesh died that moved on the earth, birds, livestock, beasts, all swarming creatures that swarm on the earth, and all mankind. <sup>22</sup> Everything on the dry land in whose nostrils was the breath of life died. 23 He blotted out every living thing that was on the face of the ground, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens. They were blotted out from the earth. Only Noah was left, and those who were with him in the ark.

<sup>24</sup> And the waters prevailed on the earth 150 days.

Genesis 8:1 But God remembered Noah and all the beasts and all the livestock that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided. <sup>2</sup> The fountains of the deep and the windows of the heavens were closed, the rain from the heavens was restrained, <sup>3</sup> and the waters receded from the earth continually. At the end of 150 days the waters had abated,

<sup>4</sup> and in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. <sup>5</sup> And the waters continued to abate until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains were seen. <sup>6</sup> At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made <sup>7</sup> and sent forth a raven. It went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. 8 Then he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground.

<sup>9</sup> But the dove found no place to set her foot, and she returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took her and brought her into the ark with him. 10 He waited another seven days, and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark. 11 And the dove came back to him in the evening, and behold, in her mouth was a freshly plucked olive leaf. So Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth.

12 Then he waited another seven days and sent forth the dove, and she did not return to him anymore. 13 In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried from off the earth. And Noah removed the covering of the ark and looked, and behold, the face of the ground was dry. 14 In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth had dried out. <sup>15</sup> Then God said to Noah, <sup>16</sup> "Go out from the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you.

<sup>17</sup> Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh-- birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth-- that they may swarm on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth." 18 So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him. <sup>19</sup> Every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by families from the ark.

<sup>20</sup> Then Noah built an altar to the LORD and took some of every clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. 21 And when the LORD smelled the pleasing aroma, the LORD said in his heart, "I will never again curse the ground because of man, for the intention of man's heart is evil from his youth. Neither will I ever again strike down every living creature as I have done. <sup>22</sup> While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease."







# How Long Was Noah in the Ark?

- Noah enters Ark 7 days <u>before</u> the rain began (**Gen. 7:4,10**).
- Flood begins with rain. Noah's age: 600 yr., 2<sup>nd</sup> month, 17 days (**Gen. 7:12**).
- It rains for 40 days and nights and water also gushes up from the earth/seas (**Gen. 7:12**).
- Water prevailed / ark floating 150 days = 5 months
  (Gen. 7:24)
- Waters begin to recede Ark settles on Mt Ararat and Noah waits for the earth to dry (Gen. 8:4)

## How Long Was Noah in the Ark?

- Tops of mountains appear 10<sup>th</sup> month, 1<sup>st</sup> day. (Gen. 8:5).
- 40 days later, Noah sends out a raven and a dove- they return (Gen. 8:6-9).
- 7 days later, Noah sends out another dove it returns with an olive leaf in its mouth (Gen. 8:10-11).
- 7 days later, Noah sends out another dove it does not return (Gen. 8:12).
- Noah leaves Ark 601 yr., 2<sup>nd</sup> month, 27<sup>th</sup> day (Gen. 8:14-18).

# How Long Was Noah in the Ark?

- Noah <u>leaves</u> the Ark: **601, 2, 27** (Gen. 8:14-18)
- Noah entered the Ark: 600, 2, 10 (Gen. 7:4,11)
  1 year, 17 days in the Ark

# Summary

#### God's <u>purpose</u> for the flood:

—Gen. 6:17 - "to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life, from under heaven; everything that is on the earth shall perish."

#### God's <u>description</u> of the flood

—Gen. 7:19 - "The water prevailed more and more upon the earth, so that all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven were covered."

# Summary

- God's <u>promise</u> after the flood:
  - —Gen. 8:21 "Never again will I destroy every living thing, as I have done."

