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a great flood (v.7). Fortunately, Noah was “just and perfect in his generation” and “walked with God” (v.9). For this, God would provide Noah with the means to survive the flood. Brother “Buster” Dobbs notes, “The marriage of God’s sons with men’s daughters wrecked the human family” (Dobbs 145). Just as the pursuit of worldly beauty wrecked the family, the pursuit of worldly desires will wreck the life of an individual (Prov. 12:15, 14:12, 16:25). Fortunately, “Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD” (Gen. 6:8). The lesson learned is that pursuit of that which is spiritual in nature, according to the will of God, results in favor with God (Gen. 6:8; Exo. 33:17; Luke 1:30; Acts 7:45,46).

The sadness associated with the flood was that there was ample warning and time given to avoid perishing. God warned Noah that mankind had 120 years before he would send the flood (Gen. 6:3), and Noah spent that time preaching about the impending doom and the means of survival. That is 120 years to repent! Yet, all but Noah and his family ignored the warning. As Brother “Buster” Dobbs simply states for the 1985 Getwell Lectures, “Grace has limits!” Individuals must learn today, that while each given day is bestowed by the grace of God, there will be a time when that grace will have reached its limits and will no longer be extended. Brother Dobbs continues, “To crack the door a little, as some may think, and let in a tiny bit of wrong can do no harm. But through the cracked comes a gush of “little” wrongs and the door is knocked off the hinges.” One must live righteously so as not to be caught in a state of sin when the grace of God has reached its fullness for that person.

- Josh Walker

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SUNDAY
Bible Study 9:30 AM
Assembly 10:30 AM
Assembly 5:00 PM
Live on Facebook

WEDNESDAY
Bible Study 6:30 PM



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“...speaking the truth in love...” Eph. 4:15

September 18, 2022

LESSONS FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS (Part 1)

Lessons Learned from Adam

After the creation of the earth, God created man (Gen. 1:26,27). One lesson we learn from the creation of that man, Adam, is that God is a provider. God provided a garden that provided for Adam’s needs, which included responsibility thus fulfilling man’s need to be active and work (Gen. 2:15). God determined that it was not good for man to be alone (Gen. 2:18), so God again provided what Adam needed, a helpmeet, Eve (Gen. 2:22-24). God also provided both man and woman a command, to not eat of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil (Gen. 2:16,17; 3:1,2). In Genesis 3:6, both the woman and the man contradicted the will of God and ate from the tree which they were forbidden to eat. It is also learned very early that God provides, even mankind does not deserve provision. Robert Taylor wrote for the 1985 Getwell Lectures, “The more enormous and heinous we consider sin to be the more deeply we can appreciate this apt appraisal.”

According to bother Taylor, “Adam, spiritually, was not where he should have been, i.e., waiting eagerly for the sound of his Maker's presence. He was couched in cowardice among the trees. Soiled with sin and clothed in corruption he quaked in fear before his August Maker.” When one understands just how truly repulsive sin is to God, then the love of God and His plan of salvation become colossal in reality. Eve was deceived, but Adam walked in knowingly (1 Tim. 2:13,14, Taylor, Jr.). In spite of this, God still clothed them in their need (Gen. 3:21), extended mercy unto them, and provided for all humanity its greatest need, Salvation from sin and death (Gen. 3:15).

Lessons Learned from Noah

In Genesis 6, one reads that the wickedness of mankind was so great it caused God to grieve and repent His creation (v.6). This leads to His decision to destroy the earth with

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Memory Verse

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be meat in mine house, And prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, If I will not open you the windows of heaven, And pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

Malachi 3:10 (KJV)

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HEART-TO-HEART

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jimmy Smith passed away Tuesday, September 13th. Remember Carolyn Ashcraft and family during this difficult time.

Francis Jordan (Pam Beard's cousin) passed away. Remember the family during this time.

Brent Weaver (member at the **Bono Church of Christ**) passed away due to a farming accident. Remember the family and Bono Church of Christ during this time.

Paula Wilson is meeting with the doctor on September 21st.

Haley Gray's new baby's health has improved and was able to go home!

Stacy Usry broke her foot.

Sandra Higgins is awaiting to have some work on her teeth done.

Keep **Lori Smith's** pregnancy in your prayers that she and the baby remain healthy.

Benita Forrest is dealing with various health issues.

Gary Wright had his last cancer treatment - pray that it was effective and the results of the treatment are positive.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENT

TODAY'S EVENTS

- *Worship livestreamed at 10:30*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Members:

Ray Leonard... Sandra Higgins... Linda Bates... Tony & Judy Beard... Terry Boykin... Carolyn Cook... Gary Crook... Shawn Curtis... Jacque Davidson... Mamie Meier... LaVerne Potter.... Eddy and Suzette Russel... Jerry and Laura Smith... Rita Stiles... Joel and Brooke Thompson... Carolyn Wilson... Donnie & Janice Wright

Shut-ins:

Jean Enlow... Betty McGuire... Bob & Pat Turner... Marie Wooten

Serving in the Military:

Mollie Aldridge... Corey Bryant... Bradyn Curtis... Noah Draper... David Foret... Taylor Koonce... Tucker Koonce... Matthew May... Justin Mills... Neil Rampy ... Christian Stepanovich... Mathew Tannehill...

SPECIAL PRAYER LIST

Opal Crow... Gail Chance... Allie Cooper... Tommy Parrish... Tammy Baker... Bill Payne... Benita Forrest... Turner Roberts... Tammy Baker... Winnie Roberts... Shannah Baker... Rusty Blanks... Eliane Clay... Alli Cooper... Larry Earnest... Bertha Henry... Deane Johnson... Francis Jordan... Gary Light... Jay Light... Jim Looney... Kathryn McDonough... Brent Newton... Candace Carter... Mason Ingram... Loyce Ray.. Christy Rice... Tori Roberts... Turner Roberts... Leah Rye... Janice Sawyer... Sue Thomas... James Walton... Mark Wyers... Daisy and Lily Wilkerson... Sue Woodard... Ike Rochell... Jay Wright... Gary Wright...

Birthdays & Anniversaries



- September 20** Jacque Davidson
Kristen Smith
- 23** James & Anna Miller
- 25** Kerry Rice
- 27** Josh Pettigrew
- 28** Holly Dial
- 30** Lynn Burton
- October 1** Lori Rabb
- 2** Jean Enlow
- 3** Josh Walker
- 5** Ainsley Barnett
Harper Bryant
- 15** Sandra Baker
- 16** Rusty Rabb

Daily Bible Reading Schedule

- 18** Ezekiel 14-16
- 19** Ezekiel 17-19
- 20** Ezekiel 20-22
- 21** Ezekiel 23-25
- 22** Ezekiel 26-28
- 23** Ezekiel 29-31
- 24** Ezekiel 32-34



Heart-To-Heart cont'd...

The amount given in support of Max Koonce's efforts to provide treatments for malaria was \$, 1,694.00. Thank you for your generosity.



LADIES CLASS-Ladies interested in Ladies Class, please meet for lunch at the **Coffee Cakes (Market Place II)** on Wednesday, **September 21st at 11:15 am**. Class will start the following Wednesday, **September 28th at 10 am**.

Gospel Meeting at the Cullendale Church of Christ in Camden, AR on **September 25th & 26**. The speaker is **Adam Miller** of Plain Dealing, LA.

Best Choice labels are still being collected. Place the **UPC labels** from **Best Choice products** in the box in **room 134**. The proceeds go to the **Paragould Children's Home**.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

Psalm 103:8 (KJV)

Attendance

Bible Class **94**
 Sunday AM Worship... **120**
 Sunday PM Worship **80**
 Wed. Evening **75**
 Contribution **\$4,067.37**

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Oct 02 Peggy Moore
Oct 09 Angela Naron

Ladies September Duties

Cards: Shirley Fisackerly
Food: Lindsey Baker
 Jennifer Knight