"Noah and the Ark" Genesis 6:9–8:19 March 5, 2023

God Will Judge, So Be Ready

"The heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly." (2 Peter 3:7)

"For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man....Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." (Matthew 24:37–39, 44)

"Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells." (2 Peter 3:11–13)

"The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance." (2 Peter 3:9)

God Will Save, So Live by Faith

"By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith." (Hebrews 11:7)

"God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him." (2 Peter 3:20–22)

"Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life." (Romans 6:3–4)

Notes			

Discuss

- In what ways does the flood teach you about the future judgment of God?
- How can someone be ready for judgment when no one knows when it's coming?
- Are there specific ways that the faithful obedience of Noah is a challenge to you in your circumstances?
- In what ways does the salvation of Noah and his family point to the salvation God has provided through Jesus Christ?
- How can you take steps to remind yourself of your salvation from judgment in Jesus Christ?

Read

Psalm 93:1–5; Matthew 24:36–44; Luke 17:20–37; Hebrews 11:1–7; 1 Peter 3:18–22; 2 Peter 2:4–10; 3:1–13

Pray

- That the Holy Spirit will bring unbelievers to repentance and faith in Jesus Christ and save them from judgment.
- That the Holy Spirit will help you to trust the word of God and walk in faith by obeying him.

Bulletin

- Member's Meeting: March 12 at 5:00pm
- Men's Breakfast: March 25 at 8:00am
- Easter Egg Hunt Outreach: April 1 at 10:30am
- VBS: June 26–30