

There's more to the story  
(Noah/the flood/ark) Genesis 6-8

### The water/flood=judgment

The judgment of God is poured out on the wickedness of mankind by way of water via a flood. The flood presents judgment.

- Jonah (**Jonah 1:1-17**)
- Jesus' baptism at the Jordan River (**Matthew 3:13-17**)
- Jesus' baptism on the cross (**Luke 12:50**)
- Our union with His death and baptism (**Romans 6:1-11**)

### The ark had rooms

- The ark was made with many rooms (**Genesis 3:14**). The Hebrew word for rooms is qin-nîm which means nests/rooms.
- In the Father's house there are many rooms.
  - **John 14:6** "Do not let your heart be troubled; <sup>[a]</sup>believe in God, believe also in Me. <sup>2</sup>In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup>If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, *there* you may be also.

### Rest, no works on the ark

- The animals did not have to do any work while on the ark, but rather rested.
- This represents that we rest from our works for our merit and righteousness when we place faith in Christ and His works for our justification.
  - **Romans 4:1-5** What then shall we say that Abraham, <sup>[a]</sup>our forefather according to the flesh, has found? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified <sup>[b]</sup>by works, he has something to boast about, but not <sup>[c]</sup>before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness." <sup>4</sup>Now to the one who works, his wage is not credited as a favor, but as what is due. <sup>5</sup>But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness,
  - **Hebrews 4:9-10** So there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God. <sup>10</sup>For the one who has entered His rest has himself also rested from his works, as God did from His.

### No steering wheel/guided by God

- Noah was not in charge of driving or steering the ark, but rather was in the safety of the ark and being guided by God. We are led and guided by God in this our lives by God the Holy Spirit. (**John 16:13**)(**Proverbs 16:9**)(**Romans 8:14**).

### Faith in wooden objects

The ark was made of wood. It would be a wooden object that Noah would have faith to enter and believe was the only escape from the coming judgment and flood which would save him. It was the wooden cross on which the Son of Man died so that all who by faith believe in Him and His work will be saved from the coming wrath.

- **1 Thessalonians 1:10** and to wait for His Son from <sup>[a]</sup>heaven, whom He raised from the dead, *that is* Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath to come.
- **John 3:36** He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not <sup>[a]</sup>obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him."

## Made with pitch/covered

- Pitch was a resin substance to seal the seams and cracks(**Genesis 6:14**).
- The Hebrew transliteration of the word used for pitch is Kopher/kophar which means a covering.
- This word can also be used as atonement such is **Leviticus 17:11**.
  - **Leviticus 17:11** For the <sup>[a]</sup>life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the <sup>[b]</sup>life that makes atonement.
- It was the blood of Christ that covers His sheep and is the propitiation/atonement for their sins so they are saved from the flood of God's coming judgment.
  - **Romans 3:25** whom God displayed publicly as a <sup>[a]</sup>propitiation <sup>[b]</sup>in His blood through faith. *This was to demonstrate His righteousness, <sup>[c]</sup>because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed;*
  - **1 John 2:2** and He Himself is the <sup>[a]</sup>propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for *those of* the whole world.
  - **1 John 4:10** 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.
- We are also covered by the righteousness of Christ
  - **2 Corinthians 5:21** He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.
  - **Isaiah 61:10** I will rejoice greatly in the Lord, My soul will exult in my God; For He has clothed me with garments of salvation, He has wrapped me with a robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

## One door

- The ark had only one door to enter for refuge and safety from the coming wrath of God.
- There is only one door and one way to salvation: Jesus.
  - **John 10:7-9** So Jesus said to them again, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them. <sup>9</sup>I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.
  - **John 14:6** Jesus \*said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.

## Noah made righteous by faith

- Noah was not righteous in his own works, but by faith. This is the same way everyone who is justified is considered righteous, by faith.
  - **Hebrews 11:7** By faith Noah, being warned *by God* about things not yet seen, <sup>[a]</sup>in reverence prepared an ark for the salvation of his household, by which he condemned the world, and became an heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

## The ark landed on Ararat

- The ark came to rest on the mountains Ararat (**Genesis 8:4**).
- Ararat in Hebrew means the curse reversed.
  - **Galatians 3:6-14** Even so Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness. <sup>7</sup>Therefore, <sup>[k]</sup>be sure that it is those who are of faith who are sons of Abraham. <sup>8</sup>The Scripture, foreseeing that God <sup>[l]</sup>would justify the <sup>[m]</sup>Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to

Abraham, *saying*, “All the nations will be blessed in you.”<sup>9</sup> So then those who are of faith are blessed with <sup>[a]</sup>Abraham, the believer.<sup>10</sup> For as many as are of the works of <sup>[o]</sup>the Law are under a curse; for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who does not abide by all things written in the book of the law, to perform them.”<sup>11</sup> Now that no one is justified <sup>[b]</sup>by <sup>[a]</sup>the Law before God is evident; for, “<sup>[c]</sup>The righteous man shall live by faith.”<sup>12</sup> <sup>[s]</sup>However, the Law is not <sup>[t]</sup>of faith; on the contrary, “He who practices them shall live <sup>[u]</sup>by them.”<sup>13</sup> Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who hangs on a <sup>[v]</sup>tree” —<sup>14</sup> in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might <sup>[w]</sup>come to the Gentiles, so that we would receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

## The Last Day

- The flood was global as the wrath of God was poured out on all mankind that didn’t enter the ark by faith. The whole world will be judged on His coming on the Last Day.
- **Matthew 24:36-39** “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone.<sup>37</sup> For <sup>[a]</sup>the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah.<sup>38</sup> For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,<sup>39</sup> and they did not <sup>[b]</sup>understand until the flood came and took them all away; so will the coming of the Son of Man be.
- **2 Peter 3:3-9** Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with *their* mocking, following after their own lusts,<sup>4</sup> and saying, “Where is the promise of His coming? For *ever* since the fathers fell asleep, all continues just as it was from the beginning of creation.”<sup>5</sup> For <sup>[a]</sup>when they maintain this, it escapes their notice that by the word of God *the* heavens existed long ago and *the* earth was formed out of water and by water,<sup>6</sup> through which the world at that time was destroyed, being flooded with water.<sup>7</sup> But by His word the present heavens and earth are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.<sup>8</sup> But do not let this one *fact* escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day.<sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

## A new earth

- After Noah exited the ark, the earth was different than it was before. One the Last Day when Christ pours out His judgment and wrath on the ungodly, His elect will enter a new Heaven and earth.
  - **2 Peter 3:10-13** But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and <sup>[b]</sup>its works will be <sup>[c]</sup>burned up.<sup>11</sup> Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,<sup>12</sup> looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat!<sup>13</sup> But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

The wrath of God upon the wicked and ungodly came via the flood in the time of Noah. Only those who believed God and by faith entered the ark were saved from the coming wrath and death. The flood was a foreshadowing of the judgment on the Last Day and the ark was foreshadowing of Christ who saves us from the wrath to come. All those who by faith believe in the work of the cross, enter through the only door into the ark which is Christ, and are covered by His atonement will be rescued from the wrath to come and will step foot one day into a new Heaven and an new earth where the curse has been removed and where righteousness dwells.

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