

7. God's Holy Judgement 2 (Genesis 7:6-12, 17-24; 8:18-22)

Connect

- What are you thankful for today?
- How have you seen God working in your life this past week?
- What difficulties are you experiencing in life? How may we help?
- How did you apply last session's discovery? What happened?
- With whom did you share last session's discovery? What was their response?

Instructions:

Please use the following steps to guide your discovery of God's truth in the passages below. Need to review the **Group Guidelines**?

Discover

Step 1-Participants take turns reading sections of the passage (clarify new words/terms)

Step 2-One person reads the entire passage out loud while the rest listen

Step 3-A participant retells the passage in his/her own words (others add their thoughts)

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Genesis 7:6-12

6Noah was 600 years old when the flood covered the earth. **7**He went on board the boat to escape the flood—he and his wife and his sons and their wives. **8**With them were all the various kinds of animals—those approved for eating and for sacrifice and those that were not—along with all the birds and the small animals that scurry along the ground. **9**They entered the boat in pairs, male and female, just as God had commanded Noah. **10**After seven days, the waters of the flood came and covered the earth. **11**When Noah was 600 years old, on the seventeenth day of the second month, all the underground waters erupted from the earth, and the rain fell in mighty torrents from the sky. **12**The rain continued to fall for forty days and forty nights.

Genesis 7:17-24

17For forty days the floodwaters grew deeper, covering the ground and lifting the boat high above the earth. **18**As the waters rose higher and higher above the ground, the boat floated safely on the surface. **19**Finally, the water covered even the highest mountains on the earth, **20**rising more than twenty-two feet above the highest peaks. **21**All the living things on earth died—birds, domestic animals, wild animals, small animals that scurry along the ground, and all the people. **22**Everything that breathed and lived on dry land died. **23**God wiped out every living thing on the earth—people, livestock, small animals that scurry along the

ground, and the birds of the sky. All were destroyed. The only people who survived were Noah and those with him in the boat. **24**And the floodwaters covered the earth for 150 days.

Genesis 8:18-22

18So Noah, his wife, and his sons and their wives left the boat. **19**And all of the large and small animals and birds came out of the boat, pair by pair. **20**Then Noah built an altar to the lord, and there he sacrificed as burnt offerings the animals and birds that had been approved for that purpose. **21**And the lord was pleased with the aroma of the sacrifice and said to himself, “I will never again curse the ground because of the human race, even though everything they think or imagine is bent toward evil from childhood. I will never again destroy all living things. **22**As long as the earth remains, there will be planting and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night.”

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Ask/Answer:

- What does this passage mean?
- What do you like/not like about this passage?
- How does this passage change the way you see God/people?

Respond: If this is true...

- How should it change the way you live?
- With whom will you share today's discovery?