

WHAT WAS IT LIKE IN THE DAYS OF NOAH?



The Bible says:

As it was in the days of Noah, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.
(Matthew 24:37)

These are the very Words of Jesus Christ.

What, then, was it like "in the days of Noah"?



The Days of Noah Were Quite "Merry": For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark. (Matthew 24:38)

This is very much like our own day. Most people alive today think that "the good life" is found in eating, drinking, and being merry in order to "seize the day," for, they say: "tomorrow we die!"

THE DAYS OF NOAH WERE VERY WICKED:

Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. (Genesis 6:5)

This is also very much like our own day. For, instead of worshipping the one, true God, most people alive today worship idols (gods of their own making), take God's Name in vain, boast in their own "good" works (but see Isaiah 64:6 and Romans 3:12!), dishonor their parents, murder (especially through abortion), commit acts of sexual immorality (through pornography,

fornication, adultery, birth control, and homosexuality), steal, lie, and sinfully desire what does not properly belong to them.

THE FLOOD CAME UPON THEM UNEXPECTEDLY: ...and [they] did not know until the flood came and took them all away.... (Matthew 24:39a)

In the same way, when the Son of Man, Jesus Christ, comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, He will come unexpectedly, like a thief in the night: "...so also will the coming of the Son of Man be" (Matthew 24:39b).

THE FLOOD OF NOAH WAS A GLOBAL FLOOD: And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered. The waters prevailed fifteen cubits upward, and the mountains were covered. (Genesis 7:19–20)

The scientific evidence for a historic, global flood during the time of Noah is mounting with every passing year. (See www.answersingenesis.org). It explains the breaking up of the continents. It is

the best explanation for the formation of the Grand Canyon. The global flood is the reason why marine fossils are found atop Mount Everest. Yet most importantly, it reminds us that the fossil record (which contradicts Darwin's theory) is a record of God's wrath against human sin.

The Flood Is a Prophecy of Coming Wrath:
For this they willfully forget: that by the Word of
God the heavens were of old, and the earth
standing out of water and in the water, by which
the world that then existed perished, being
flooded with water. But the heavens and the
earth which are now preserved by the same Word,
are reserved for fire until the Day of Judgment
and perdition of ungodly men. (2 Peter 3:5-7)

Since, then, the wickedness of our present world has prepared it for a coming global "flood" of fire and brimstone, what should we do? The Bible says: "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water" (Revelation 14:7). It also says, "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near" (Matthew 4:17).

The Gospel of Jesus Christ Is the One and Only "Ark" Sent by God for Our Salvation: Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38)

Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. (Acts 4:12)

Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God." (John 3:3)

Who Is Jesus Christ, Born of the Virgin? Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel. (Isaiah 7:14)

That Mary was a virgin means that Jesus was conceived of the Holy Spirit, being fully God and without a sin nature. That He was born of Mary means that He was born fully Human. He is thus "Immanuel," which means "God-with-us."

In the Old Testament, God revealed His name to Moses at the burning bush as, "I AM WHO I AM." Jesus, then, clearly reveals Himself to be God in the flesh, for He explicitly says so to the Jews: "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM." (John 8:58)

Why Did Jesus Bleed and Die on the Cross?

For dogs have surrounded Me; the congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me. They pierced My hands and My feet. (Psalm 22:16)

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God, and the wages of sin is death. Yet "death" is more than physical death. For, the wrath of God against sinners demands everlasting, conscious punishment in the lake of fire of Hell. Yet while we were still sinners, still His enemies, God demonstrated His own love for us by giving Jesus to be the sacrificial Lamb. Jesus was the suffering Servant upon the cross who satisfied God's wrath for us and took the curse of our sin into His own body on the cross, so that all who repent and believe upon His name might receive the forgiveness of sins:

...who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed. (1 Peter 2:24; see also John 3:16)

How Can I Be Made Alive to God? For he who has died has been freed from sin. (Romans 6:7) Also: And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins. (Ephesians 2:1)

You were created to worship God and to enjoy Him forever. Yet sin has made you dead to God. Therefore, if you would seek the Lord while He may be found, seeking Him with your whole heart, you can be born of God, born of the Holy Spirit. Yet you must first repent of your idols and sins that have grieved Him and pained Him all the way to Calvary (where Jesus was crucified). In short, you must die to sin, allowing your sin nature to be crucified with Christ. By faith, apart from works, you must trust Christ to make you a new creation, a new person, so that you can reckon yourself dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

FLOODWATERS OF DEATH VS. LIVING WATERS OF LIFE: "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." (John 7:37–38)

Not all who call Jesus, "Lord! Lord!" shall enter the Kingdom of God. There are many who profess Him falsely, not being born again, who do not obey His holy commandments. The command to submit oneself



to the true Lordship of Christ is eternally condemning for the wicked, but eternally blissful for the righteous. For, those who persist in scorning Jesus Christ in this life will, upon death, face everlasting judgment in the never ceasing torments of Hell. Yet all who have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb, and who thus keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus, even enduring many tribulations for the sake of His name, will be welcomed into the everlasting joy of Heaven, where they shall be His people, and God Himself will be with them and be their God.

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