

Series "In The Beginning...God"
"The God Who Remembers"
Genesis 8:1-22
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Genesis 8:1-5, 15-22

We have these wonderful words: Genesis 8:1 But God remembered Noah

2 Timothy 2:13

If we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself.

Genesis 6-9 NOAH AND HIS FAMILY

Thought Of Our Passage: "God Will Judge The Wicked With Catastrophic Judgment In Order To Start Life Over With A Worshipping People."

- 1. Verses 1-5 Noah Waiting**
- 2. Verses 6-14 Noah Testing**
- 3. Verses 15-22 Noah Remembering**

1. Verses 1-5 Noah Waiting:

Genesis 8:1 But

Context – God had brought a flood upon the world as a result of sin. All living things upon the land perished. **Genesis 7:21-24**

God remembered Noah

Hebraism "God began again to act on their behalf" God can't forget!
(Immutability) What is meant is "God faithfully kept His promise to Noah by intervening to end the flood"

God Promised Noah - Genesis 6:17-19

Abraham – God Remembered Abraham And Saved Lot - Genesis 19:29

Rachel - God Remembered Rachel And She Conceived - Genesis 30:22

Hannah - God Remembered Hannah And She Conceived - 1 Samuel 1:19

Psalm 9:12 He does not forget the cry of the afflicted.

Psalm 136:23; Hebrews 6:10

God Shows He Remembered By Sending A Wind Over The Earth – and God caused a wind to pass over the earth, and the water subsided.

a wind to pass over the earth,

This word "**wind**" is the same word for "**Spirit**" - **Genesis 1:2** The Spirit moved over a lifeless world in the beginning and now, after the destruction of the world, God starts all over.

a wind caused evaporation, **causing** pressure from the water to buckle the crust of the earth to create oceans. Caused huge tidal surges created by divine wind. Separation like **Genesis 1:9**

Genesis 8:2-3 (5 Months) **2 Peter 3:6**

Psalm 46:1-3

Psalmist Describes God's Creation And The Flood:

Psalm 104:1-5 describes creation

Psalm 104:6-9 describes the flood and how God changed the earth.

Psalm 104:6-9; Genesis 9:15

The Thermal blanket that covered the earth was gone, allowing for heat and cold. (Now storms, rains, snows, winds)

Verses 4-5 The Ark Rested: four mountains of Ararat. Note it does not say "Mount Ararat" but landed on a "Range of mountains, mountains of Ararat" (16,254 Feet high.) Turkey and Soviet Armenia.

seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month,

Exodus 12:2 *On the 10th day, the Passover lamb was purchased, the lamb was sacrificed on the 14th day Jesus was raised from the dead on the 17th day.*

Ark found rest on the 17th day. We find our rest in Jesus.

Genesis 8:5 (Now 224 Days on the Ark)

2. Verses 6-14 Noah Testing:

Verses 6-14 Noah Three Tests The Progress Of The Earth:

1st Test: Verses 6-9 Noah Waited 40 Days:

Then it came about at the end of forty days, (Now 264 Days on the Ark)

that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made;

God had control over the door (The only way in and out), but Noah had the window.

Genesis 8:7 The Raven (Carrion Unclean Bird) pictures the unsaved

Genesis 8:8-9 The Dove (Clean Bird) pictures the Christian (Cleansed)

2nd Test: Verses 10-11 Noah Waited 7 Days:

Genesis 8:10 (Now 271 Days on the Ark)

Genesis 8:11 in her beak was a freshly picked olive leaf.
Olive leaf meant that the earth was suitable to dwell upon again.

3rd Test: Verse – 12 Noah Waited 7 Days:
Genesis 8:12 A sign that there is dry land. **(Now 278 Days on the Ark)**

Genesis 8:13 (Now 314 Days on the Ark)

Genesis 8:14 God had Noah wait another 56 days (8 weeks) until he was to leave the ark. We have a period of 371 days in total. It took only 40 days to flood but almost a year to dry. It's called God's timetable! **(Now 371 Days on the Ark)**

3. Verses 15-22 Noah Remembering:

Genesis 8:15 Then God spoke to Noah, saying,

God Shows He Remembered By Speaking To Noah:

Then God spoke to Noah, saying,

The last time God spoke to Noah, He was telling him to get on the ark

Genesis 7:1 371 days of God not speaking!

Next time we think God has forgotten us remember Noah

Genesis 8:16 "Go out of the ark,

God had first said, "Come into the ark" and now it is, "Go out!"

Noah's faith was to be in God's Word and to find encouragement through the signs that God had revealed!

Genesis 8:17 Genesis 1:22

God had said for the earth to be fruitful and multiply again.

Genesis 8:18 The obedience of Noah and his family to God's direction.

Genesis 8:19-20

Noah Remembers God:

Then Noah built an altar to the LORD

The first thing Noah did was worship the Lord.

Noah built an altar. The 1st Time "Altar" is used in Scripture.

We don't know the dimensions. **Exodus 27:1-8; 38:1-7** Noah knew that God had covered Adam and Eve with animal skins; **Genesis 3:21** Cain and Able had offered a sacrifice. **Genesis 4:3-4**

and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. The clean animals were only seven pairs.

Genesis 8:21 The LORD smelled the soothing aroma;

"a smell of satisfaction" This is an expression that the offering pleased God!

and the LORD said to Himself, Divine revelation, we are told what God's thought

"I will never again curse the ground on account of man,

"I will not bring such a worldwide devastation like the great flood again"

(God will use fire in the future)

for the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth;

We are born in iniquity. We are born with a wicked heart.

(Genesis 4:8) Psalms 51:5; 58:3

Jeremiah 17:9

and I will never again destroy every living thing, as I have done.

God will never destroy the earth by water again so next time it will be fire!

2 Peter 3:12-13

Genesis 8:22 "While the earth remains, (God's Word on Climate Change)

God describes His divine order that will exist until He brings the new heaven and new earth. **Psalm 118:8**

Seedtime and harvest, Spring and Fall will continue, but it is not exactly the same.

And cold and heat, And summer and winter,

Our weather data before 1880 is so limited that we can't rely on it.

And day and night Shall not cease."

Some days and nights seem longer and shorter but 24-hour days.

Application:

- 1.** "But God Remembered Noah," God Is Faithful. His Promises His Word Is Sure. God Remembered Abraham, God Remembered Rachel, God Remembered Hannah, God Will Remember You!
- 2.** Noah Trusted God. There Is No Record That God Communicated With Noah During His 371 Days On The Ark. There Is No Record That Noah Questioned God. Noah Trusted God.
- 3.** Noah Remembers God By Building An Altar To The LORD. God's Goodness Was On Noah's Heart And Mind. **Psalm 103:2**