

# **THE FLOOD - PART 2**

## **Genesis 6-9**

# Book of Genesis

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# RECAP OF GENESIS 6

What were some key  
takeaways from *Genesis 6*?

Why is the *Flood story*  
important?

Rebellion = *Sin*

*Sin* X *Sin* = More *Sin*  
Multiplies

**How did humanity get  
here?**

*Individual* Sin  
to  
*Community* Sin

# The Story of Lamech

<sup>19</sup> Lamech married two women,  
one named Adah and the other  
Zillah.

Genesis 4:19–24

<sup>20</sup> Adah gave birth to Jabal; he was the father of those who live in tents and raise livestock.

<sup>21</sup> His brother's name was Jubal;  
he was the father of all who play  
stringed instruments and pipes.

<sup>22</sup> Zillah also had a son, Tubal-Cain, who forged all kinds of tools out of bronze and iron. Tubal-Cain's sister was Naamah.

<sup>23</sup> Lamech said to his wives,  
“Adah and Zillah, listen to me;  
wives of Lamech, hear my words.  
I have *killed a man for wounding  
me, a young man* for injuring me.

24 If Cain is avenged *seven times*,  
then Lamech *seventy-seven*  
*times.*"

## THE PROBLEM WITH SIN IS:

- There are *no boundaries*.
- There are *no limits*.
- Sin keeps *multiplying*.

What is *God's solution,*  
*remedy* to humanity's sin  
problem?

QUESTION:

Can *sin* be remedied,  
conquered?

<sup>8</sup> The one who does what is *sinful* is of the *devil*, because the *devil* has been *sinning* from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work.

1 John 3:8–9

<sup>9</sup> *No one* who is *born of God* will continue to *sin*, because God's seed remains in them; they cannot go on *sinning*, because *they have been born of God*.

# PAUL & THE SIN DILEMMA:

Can *sin* be conquered?

# Romans 7

<sup>14</sup> We know that the law is *spiritual*; but I am *unspiritual*, sold as a slave to sin.

Romans 7:14–25

15 *I do not understand what I do.*

For what I want to do I do not do,  
but what I hate I do.

<sup>16</sup> And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good.

17 As it is, it is no longer I myself  
who do it, but it is *sin living in me*.

18 For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the *desire* to do what is *good*, but I *cannot* carry it out.

19 For *I do not do the good* I want to do, but the *evil* I do not want to do—this *I keep on doing*.

20 Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is *sin* living in me that does it.

<sup>21</sup> So I find this law at work:  
Although *I want to do good*, evil is  
right there with me.

22 For in my inner being I delight in  
God's law;

<sup>23</sup> but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of *sin* at work within me.

24 What a **wretched man** I am!  
**Who will rescue me** from this  
body that is subject to death?

25 Thanks be to God, who delivers me through **Jesus Christ** our Lord! So then, I myself in my mind am a slave to God's law, but in my sinful nature a slave to the law of sin.

# THE FLOOD

Genesis 6-9

***What*** is the Flood story  
important?

***What*** is this story about?

Why did God decide to  
*destroy* the earth,  
humanity, and all living  
creatures?

Story of extreme ***SIN*** and  
***CORRUPTION***

From *Very Good*  
to *No Good*

<sup>31</sup> God saw *all* that he had made,  
and it was *very good*. And there  
was evening, and there was  
morning—the sixth day.

Genesis 1:31

<sup>5</sup> The LORD saw *how great the wickedness* of the human race had become on the earth, and that *every inclination* of the thoughts of the human heart was *only evil all the time*.

Genesis 6:5

<sup>6</sup> The LORD *regretted* that he had made human beings on the earth, and *his heart was deeply troubled*.

Genesis 6:6–7

<sup>7</sup> So the LORD said, "I will wipe from the face of the earth the human race I have created—and with them the animals, the birds and the creatures that move along the ground—***for I regret that I have made them.***"

<sup>11</sup> Now the earth was *corrupt* in  
God's sight and was *full of*  
*violence*.

Genesis 6:11–14

<sup>12</sup> God saw *how corrupt* the earth had become, for all the people on earth had *corrupted their ways*.

13 So God said to Noah, "I am going to ***put an end to all people***, for the earth is ***filled with violence*** because of them. I am surely going to ***destroy*** both them and the earth.

<sup>14</sup> So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out.

# The Covenant

Why is the ***Covenant***  
important?

<sup>18</sup> But I will establish my ***covenant*** with you, and you will enter the ark—you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you.

Genesis 6:18–22

<sup>19</sup> You are to bring into the ark **two** of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you.

<sup>20</sup> **Two** of every kind of bird, of every kind of animal and of every kind of creature that moves along the ground will come to you to be kept alive.

<sup>21</sup> You are to take every kind of food that is to be eaten and store it away as food for you and for them."

<sup>22</sup> Noah did everything just as  
God commanded him.

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important in Genesis?

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Genesis 6:19–20

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<sup>8</sup> ***Pairs*** of clean and unclean animals, of birds and of all creatures that move along the ground,

Genesis 7:8–9

<sup>9</sup> ***male and female***, came to Noah and entered the ark, as God had commanded Noah.

<sup>11</sup> In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, on the seventeenth day of the second month—on that day all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened.

**Genesis 7:11–12**

<sup>12</sup> And rain fell on the earth *forty*  
*days* and *forty nights*.

# **Numbers** in the Bible

1. The Number **Two**
2. The Number **Forty**
3. The Number **Seven**
  - **Seven** represents the number of completion, perfection
  - **7 Hebrew words** and **28** letters (**7 x 4**), while the next sentence, verse 2, contains **14** words (**2 x 7**).
  - Thus, the sentence structure itself describes God's control over the physical world.
  - **Seven** in Genesis becomes a leitmotif for God's involvement of God and sovereignty over all creation

- *Seven* is represented in Noah Flood Story
  - Genesis 9:8-17

<sup>8</sup> Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him:

**Genesis 9:8–17**

<sup>9</sup> "I now establish my **covenant**  
with you and with your  
descendants after you

<sup>10</sup> and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth.

<sup>11</sup> I establish my **covenant** with you: Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth."

<sup>12</sup> And God said, "This is the sign of the **covenant** I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come:

<sup>13</sup> I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the ***covenant*** between me and the earth.

<sup>14</sup> Whenever I bring clouds over  
the earth and the rainbow  
appears in the clouds,

15 I will remember my ***covenant***  
between me and you and all  
living creatures of every kind.  
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<sup>16</sup> Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting **covenant** between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth."

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- **Seven** in the stories of the Patriarchs:
  - Genesis 21:28-33
  - Genesis 31:41
  - Genesis 33:3, 10

<sup>10</sup> And after the *seven days* the floodwaters came on the earth.

<sup>3</sup> He himself went on ahead and bowed down to the ground *seven times* as he approached his brother.

<sup>10</sup> “No, please!” said Jacob. “If I have found favor in your eyes, accept this gift from me. For to see your face is like seeing the face of God, now that you have received me favorably.”

Why are the *Covenant* and  
*Numbers* important in  
Genesis?

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***MY* Covenant**

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