

Genesis 8**Key Verse:** vs.1; 21-22**Key Word:** “dried out”, “never again”**X-Ref:** Gen. 7:11; Phil. 4:18**Paraphrase:** Noah and his family wait on the ark for the ground to dry up. Noah then leaves the ark and offers a sacrifice. God makes a promise with Himself to never destroy all the earth with a flood again.**Examining the Text:**

- 1) On which day and month were the tops of the mountains visible? *10th month, 1st day*
- 2) How long was Noah on the ark? *Answers vary on this depending on when Noah got on the ark. Also, the length of their months was 30 days. 370, 371, and 377 are all possible answers. Knowing the exact number of days isn't a matter of salvation but these facts help us to see that this was a real event.*
- 3) What is the first thing Noah did after exiting the ark and what can we learn from this? *He built an altar and worshipped God. God should come first in our lives. Noah could have decided that any number of different things was more important than building an altar and worshipping God at that moment. “I need to build a house! Then I can see about worshipping God.”*
- 4) According to verses 21 & 22, what was in the heart of the Lord? *“I will never again curse the ground because of man...”*
- 5) What conclusions can we draw from verse 22? *As long as the earth exists there will always be cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night.*

Genesis 9**Key Verse:** v.11**Key Word:** “covenant”**X-Ref:** Gen. 1:22; Deut. 12:5-23; 1 Sam. 14:32-33; Isa. 54:9**Paraphrase:** God makes an unconditional, everlasting covenant with the world not to destroy it with a flood again.**Examining the Text:**

- 1) How does the relationship between man and animal change after the flood? *Animals now fear man and they will be acceptable food for man.*
- 2) Many things are mentioned about the covenant that God makes in this chapter. Make a list of those things. (a) with Noah (b) with Sons (c) with animals (d) with birds (e) with livestock (f) with every beast (g) the rainbow is a promise (h) this is an unconditional promise.
- 3) Why was Ham cursed by Noah? *Because he saw his father naked and told his brothers. It seems that the proper response would have been the one that Shem and Japheth made in covering their father without looking.*
- 4) How long did Noah live after the flood? *350 years. He died at 950 years of age.*

Genesis 10**Key Verse:** vs.1; 32**Key Word:** “generations”, “spread”**X-Ref:** Gen. 18 & 19; Jer. 47:7; Amos 9:7**Paraphrase:** A list of the descendants of Noah's sons and where they settled.**Examining the Text:**

- 1) When did Noah's sons and their wives first have children? Were there any babies born on the ark? *There were no babies on the ark. Verse one records that children were born “after the flood.”*
- 2) Where did Japheth's descendants settle? (If you are using a KJV you will need to look at another translation). *Coastlands v.5*
- 3) **Word Study:** “mighty man” (v.8). *powerful; by implication, warrior, tyrant: — champion, chief, x excel, giant, man, mighty (man, one), strong (man), valiant man. — Strong's Concordance. Some have suggested that Nimrod could have been the builder of the Tower of Babel – IVP Bible Background Commentary.*
- 4) Where did Shem's descendants settle? *Hill country v.30*
- 5) Where did Ham's descendants settle? *In the direction of Sodom and Gomorrah v. 19*

Genesis 11**Key Verse:** vs.6-7**Key Word:** “us”**X-Ref:** Daniel 1:2; Exo. 2:3; Gen. 15:7**Paraphrase:** Man was focused on “self” and God saw this would lead to evil things. He confused their languages and they dispersed throughout the earth. The chapter ends with a genealogy up to Abram.

Examining the Text:

- 1) From vs.1-9, make a list of the words that reveal to us the minds of the people and what they were focused on. (a) "us" (b) "ourselves" (c) "we" (d) "name for ourselves"
- 2) Make a list of the people in this chapter and how old they were when they died. What do we learn? (a) Shem 600 (b) Arpachshad 438 (c) Shelah 433 (d) Eber 464 (e) Peleg 239 (f) Reu 239 (g) Serug 230 (h) Nahor 148 (i) Terah 205. Their lifespans are decreasing.
- 3) Using a Bible map, estimate the distance from Ur to Haran and Haran to Canaan. *It is approximately 600 miles from Ur to Haran and 400 miles from Haran to Canaan.*

Genesis 12**Key Verse:** vs.1-3**Key Word:** "bless", "sister"**X-Ref:** Acts 2:39; Gal. 3:8, 16**Paraphrase:** Abram is called by God to go to a place he did not know and there God would bless him and his descendants.**Examining the Text:**

- 1) How old was Abram when God called him? *75 years old.*
- 2) Where was Abram when he made altars in this chapter? *Shechem at the oak of Moreh (v.7) and between Bethel and Ai (v.8).*
- 3) Why did Abram go to Egypt? *There was a famine in the land (v.10).*
- 4) List the consequences of Abram and Sarai's lie. (a) *plagues on Pharaoh's house* (b) *distrust* (c) *sent away*

Genesis 13**Key Verse:** vs.9-13**Key Word:** "separate"**X-Ref:** Gen. 12:7; 19:25; 28:14; Gal. 3:16; Hebrews 11:8-10**Paraphrase:** The land couldn't support Abram and Lot so they separate and go in different directions.**Examining the Text:**

- 1) In this chapter, what does the phrase "called upon the name of the Lord" signify? *He worshipped God at the altar he had built.*
- 2) In verse 3, what does the word "tent" tell us about Abram? How are Christians like Abram in this area? *Abram was a sojourner/pilgrim. He was never in one place too long. Though he was in the promised land, he looked forward to heaven. As Christians we too are sojourners in this world. We must remember that this world is not our home.*
- 3) "Strife" caused Abram and Lot to go in different directions. Describe the differences between the lands in which each man dwelt. *Lot chose the land based on what it could provide for him. Abram continued to take his directions from God.*
- 4) Each move in Abram's life is marked by what? *The building of an altar.*

Genesis 14**Key Verse:** vs.12, 19-20, 22**Key Word:** "blessed"**X-Ref:** Hebrews 7:1-7; 5:6; Psalms 110:4; Rev. 10:6**Paraphrase:** Kings fight over possessions. Lot is taken captive and Abram rescues him.**Examining the Text:**

- 1) Make a list of the nine kings and the land in which they ruled. (1) *Amraphel king of Shinar* (2) *Arioch king of Ellasar* (3) *Chedorlaomer king of Elam* (4) *Tidal king of Goiim – made war against –* (5) *Bera king of Sodom* (6) *Birsha king of Gomorrah* (7) *Shinah king of Admah* (8) *Shember king of Zeboiim* (9) *the king of Bela (Zoar)*
- 2) **Word Study:** "bitumen pits" – *asphalt – in its soft state, called "slime" (Gen. 11:3). Found in pits near the Dead Sea. Used for coating vessels and in building. – Easton's Bible Dictionary.*
- 3) Where was Lot dwelling when he was captured? *Lot was dwelling in the city of Sodom. He may have started out in the land but eventually he was living in the city. Sin can be deceptive like this. We start out admiring it from afar and one day we wake up in the middle of it.*
- 4) Who was Melchizedek? *He was a priest of the Most High God. He was King of Salem. He is king of righteousness and peace. He is without father and mother or genealogy. No beginning of days or end of life. Resembling the Son of God, he is a priest forever (Heb. 7:1-3).*
- 5) Why did Abram refuse to take the spoils of war? And who were Abram's allies? *Abram did not want anyone to say that the king of Sodom had made him rich. He wanted all to know that God had blessed him. His allies were Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre.*