

Study Guide for Feb. 1st, 2009. Enduring the Storm: Genesis 7

Introduction: When have you been particularly mindful of God's protection in your life?

I. The Command to Enter: Gen. 7:1-5

- A. What command does God give Noah and his family? What is the reason?
- B. Relate the instruction in 7:2-3 with that in 6:19-20. See Gen. 8:20 for their use.
- C. How many days . . . will Noah's family wait for the flood? . . . will the flood last?
- D. What did Jesus say life was like in those final days? (Matt. 24:36-41, Lk. 17:26-27)
- E. Vs. 5 highlights Noah's complete obedience. How does his example challenge you?

II. The Commencement of the Flood: Gen. 7:6-16

- A. Note the list of who enters the ark (vs. 7). Compare the marital status of those on ark with what had been recorded earlier. (See Gen. 4:19 & 6:2)
- B. When do the waters actually begin to flood the earth? Why is this detail added?
- C. What does God send through the **floodgates of the heavens** in the following?
 - 1) Ps. 78:23-25: 2) Is. 24:17-20: 3) Mal. 3:9-12
- D. Who closed the door (Gen. 6:16 & 7:16)? What does this teach about God?
- E. Write out II Pet. 2:5 and comment on God's protection in your life.

III. The Conquest of the Waters. Gen. 7:17-24

- A. How long does the actual flood last? What is the significance of this length?
- B. Compare conditions on earth during the flood with that of Gen. 1:2.
- C. What is emphasized in this section (vs. 21-23)? What does I Pet. 3:20 highlight?
- D. Relate these verses in Gen. 7 to the following expressions . . . Who is in control?
 - 1) Ps. 104:5-9: 2) Is. 54:8-10:
- E. Reflect on Is. 43:1-3a and write a pray thanking God for his promise to redeem us.