Study Guide for Feb. 8th, 2009. A Whole New World. Genesis 8:1-22

Introduction: When have you felt "forgotten by God?"
How were you reminded of his presence and grace in your life?

I. God Remembers . . . (Gen. 8:1a)

A. What do you think is involved in the statement that God **remembered** Noah?

B. Who does God **remember** in the following passages and what happens?
1) Gen. 19:29: 2) Gen. 30:22
3) Ex. 2:24: 4) Judg. 16:28:

C. In what specific situation are you currently asking God to **remember** you?

II. The Waters Recede. . . (Gen. 8:1b-5)

A. What does God use to cause the receding of the waters? (see Gen. 1:2 & Ex. 14:21)

B. How is this record (Gen 8:2-5) like creation? (comp. vs. 2 & 5 with Gen. 1:7 & 9)

C. For how long do the waters recede? Then what happens? (compare to Gen. 7:24)

D. "God usually works deliverance for his people gradually." Do you agree?

III. The Earth is Renewed . . . While Noah Waits . . . (Gen. 8:6-14)

A. When does open the window? What has he been doing? (compare with Gen. 7:17)

B. What bird does Noah send out . . . first? . . . second? What happened to both?

C. Note the time indicators (vs. 10 &12) and compare with Gen. 7:4, 10).

D. According to Gen. 8:13, how much total time elapsed? (see Gen. 7:6)

E. Reflect on James 5:7-11. In what situation is God calling you to be patient?

IV. Life Returns . . . (Gen. 8:15-19)

A. What does God command Noah to do? (compare Gen. 7:1)

B. Who accompanies Noah? (see Gen. 1:24-25 and vs. 26-28) What has God done?

V. God Relents . . . (Gen. 8:20-22)

A. What does God promise? B. For what reason? C. For how long?