

Pastor's Pen

The Flood

"For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away; so will the coming of the Son of Man be."
Matthew 24:38-39

There are those who believe the flood recorded in Genesis 7 was not a worldwide flood, and others who believe the story is just a myth. I have spoken to those who call themselves Christians who do not believe in a literal six-day creation, worldwide flood, parting of the Red Sea, or that the sun stood still. This lack of belief creates a difficult dilemma for those who claim to be Christians. You are forced to pick and choose what you believe to be figurative and literal.

Did Jesus really mean He is the way, the truth, and the life? Did He really mean that no one can come to the Father except through Him? Did He rise from the dead? Did He heal the sick, raise the dead, calm the storm, walk on water, make the blind see, and the lame walk? Did He die for our sins? As a follower of Christ, we don't get to pick and choose what we want out of the Bible to be true. Either it is all true, or none of it is true. If you claim to be a Christian, then Jesus is your Lord and Savior. In Matthew 24, Jesus was talking with His disciples and was telling them about his second coming. He affirmed the story of the flood in Genesis 7. If the Son of God affirmed it, why would I not believe that it occurred just the way the Bible describes it?

The affirmed the Old Testament.

"You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; it is these that bear witness about Me;" John 5:39

"Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill."
Matthew 5:17

Now He said to them, "These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things which are written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." 45 Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, 46 and He said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise again from the dead the third day,"
Luke 24:44-46

Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" 32 Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, Moses has not given you the bread from heaven, but My Father gives you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." John 6:31-33

What a blessing it is to know that there is no reason for us to doubt the Word of God in both the Old and New Testament

Your shepherd,

Pastor Mark

*****If you have never had the opportunity to go see the Ark Encounter in Williamstown, Kentucky, I would encourage you to take a trip this summer. It is a day's drive (8 hours) and well worth your time and money.***
- Pastor Mark

Quote of the Week

"Our work is great—our time is short—and the consequences of our labors are infinite!"
John Newton

Grace Gems

For one sin!
(Arthur Pink, "The Godhood of God")

The God of Scripture is infinite in Holiness. The "only true God" is He who hates sin with a perfect abhorrence, and whose nature eternally burns against it.

He is the One who beheld the wickedness of the antediluvians (before the flood), and who opened the windows of Heaven and poured down the flood of His righteous indignation!

He is the One who rained fire and brimstone upon Sodom and Gomorrah, and utterly destroyed these cities of the plain!

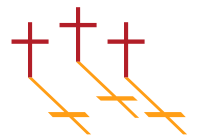
He is the One who sent the plagues upon Egypt, and destroyed her haughty monarch together with his hosts at the Red Sea!

He is the One who caused the earth to open its mouth and swallow alive Korah and his rebellious company! Yes, He is the One who "spared not His own Son" when He was "made sin for us — that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him."

So holy is God, and such is the antagonism of His nature against evil, that . . .

for one sin, He banished our first parents from Eden;
for one sin, He cursed the posterity of Ham;
for one sin, He turned Lot's wife into a pillar of salt;
for one sin, He sent out fire and devoured the sons of Aaron;
for one sin, Moses died in the wilderness;
for one sin, Achan and his family were all stoned to death;
for one sin, the servant of Elisha was smitten with leprosy!

And this is the God that every Christ-rejector has yet to meet in judgment!



Weekly Gatherings

Bible Classes

Old & New Testament Classes
Ladies Class
Young Adults Young Parents
Youth Surge
Sunday Morning @ 9:30AM



Weekday Meetings

Mondays | 7PM Men's Bible Study
1st and 3rd Saturday
Women of Grace | 9AM
Wednesdays | 6:30PM AWANA



Family Groups

Thursdays @ 7PM
Please check church website
for start date and directions to each



Build the Body Teams

If you would like to serve on a BtB Team
and need to sign up, please contact the
team leader at the appropriate email
address on the back of this bulletin.



Youth Study

Wednesdays @6:30PM
Youth Study & Surge!



Service Times

Sunday Services 8AM & 11:00AM
Sunday School 9:30AM
Children's Church @11:00AM



Giving from service on 03/10/2024

General Offering	7,981.62
Building Fund	2,402.00
Uganda Missions	224.00
G3 Offering	146.00
Total	\$10,753.62
Attendance	207
Online	33
G3 Foreign Missions	\$735.50

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