

## Out of the chaos | Genesis 6:9-8:22

### 2022 Spring #5 - 5/1/22

#### My Story Questions

*These questions/activities help the group know one another and transition to deeper discussion. Choose one.*

- 1) Tell of any experience you have had with floodwaters? Has your house ever flooded?
- 2) Tell of a "Hero of Faith" that has touched your life

#### Study Questions

*These are meant for personal preparation and group discussion. Use all or pick a few to discuss.*

##### **Read Genesis 6:9-8:22**

- 1) Though imperfect, Noah was considered righteous by his faith. How was Noah's faith demonstrated? (6:9, 6:22, 8:20) How is it described in Hebrews 11:7?
- 2) When have you demonstrated faith this week?
- 3) Why is "righteous" a word that can correctly be applied to you? See Romans 1:16-17
- 4) The cycle of creation, judgment, and re-creation is repeated in God's story. What new beginnings result after the flood?
- 5) What new beginnings result after the cross and resurrection? Read 2 Cor. 5:11-21
- 6) How does this new beginning impact how we live and how we understand the chaos of judgment?
- 7) Look at the 3 times God spoke to Noah in this account; 6:13, 7:1 and 8:15. List the promises God made to Noah and how they were fulfilled. What does this teach us about God's character?
- 8) What were some of God's instructions and how were they followed?
- 9) How could God's words have helped or encouraged Noah?
- 10) What promises or instructions would help you as you follow Jesus?"
- 11) How does Jesus compare the flood to the final judgment to come? See Luke 17:20-31
- 12) How does Peter use the flood narrative to warn people of coming judgment? See 2 Peter 3:1-10
- 13) As you read of the coming "day of the Lord," how does it make you feel? What does it motivate you to do or not do? How does it change how you pray?
- 14) What made Noah's response to build an altar pleasing to the Lord? What type of worship could you offer that would be pleasing to the Lord?

#### Responding to Jesus

*Offer these questions for personal reflection before your group prayer time.*

- 1) Lord, "Why are you so gracious to give me faith and count me righteous?"
- 2) Lord, "What can I do to be alert and prepared for your return and coming judgment?"
- 3) Lord, "Where are you making a new beginning in me from some of the chaos of judgment?"