



Noah

A Righteous Man in a Wicked Age

Lesson 01

Introduction

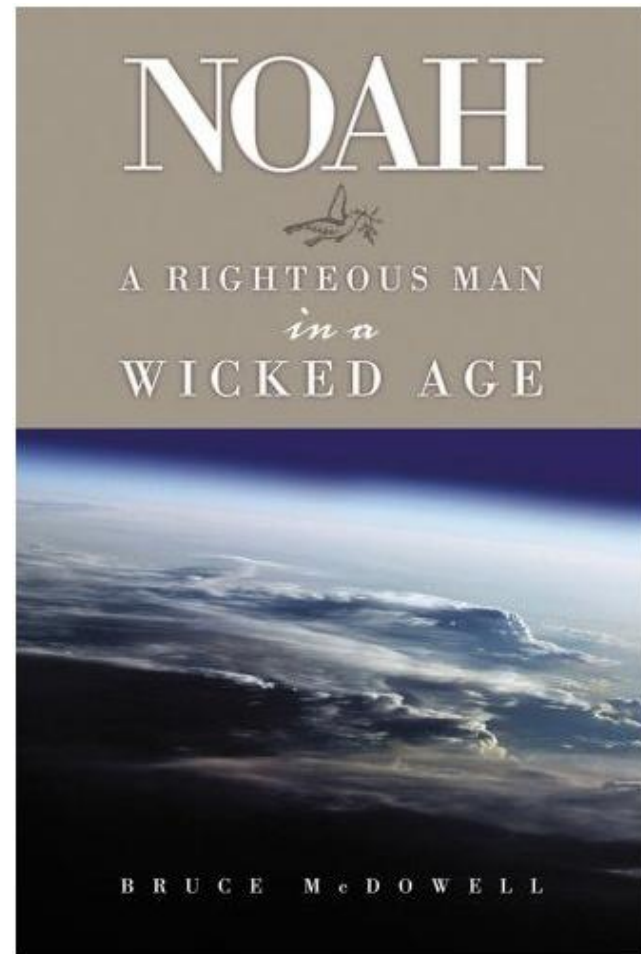


Genesis Chapters 6-9

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Noah



Noah's sacrifice by Daniel Maclise

Constructor of the Ark

Born	Mesopotamia (?)
Honored in	Judaism Christianity Islam Mandaeism Baha'i Faith
Influenced	Many Jews, Christians and Muslims



Noah

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Noah (pron.: /ˈnoʊ.ə/^[1] or Noé, Noach; **Hebrew**: נֹחַ, נֹחַ, *Modern Noah* *Tiberian Nōāḥ*; **Arabic**: نوح *Nūḥ*; **Ancient Greek**: Νῶε) was the tenth and last of the **antediluvian Patriarchs**. The story of Noah and the **Ark** is told in the **Genesis flood narrative**, and also told in **Sura 71** of the **Quran**.

Noah was the tenth of the pre-Flood Patriarchs. His father **Lamech** named him *nôah* (the final *h* is a more guttural sound than the English *h*), saying, "This same shall comfort us in our work and in the toil of our hands, which cometh from the ground which the LORD hath cursed."^[2] This connects the future patriarch's name with *nāḥam*, "comfort", but it seems better related to the word *nôah*, meaning "rest", and is more a play on words than a true etymology.^{[3][4]}

In his five hundredth year Noah had three sons, **Shem**, **Ham** and **Japheth**. In his six hundredth year God, saddened at the wickedness of mankind, sent a great **deluge** to destroy all life, but because Noah was "righteous in his generation" God instructed him to build an ark and save a remnant of life. After the Flood Noah offered a sacrifice and entered into a covenant with God regulating the shedding of blood (i.e., mankind's permission to kill under regulated circumstances).^[5] As a sign and witness of this covenant, the rainbow was adopted and set apart by God as a sure pledge that never again would the earth be destroyed by a flood. (**Genesis** 9:12 ↗ - 15 ↗)^[6]



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A roadmap of course lessons.

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■ Lesson 01: Introduction

[Genesis 5-9]

- The Importance of Noah and the Flood Account.
 - ✓ Context in Scripture
 - ✓ More than a children's story
 - ✓ Relevant for today
- Genealogy - Adam to Noah ... Genesis 5
- Overview of Course Lessons ... Genesis 6-9

Outline of what we will cover in this lesson.



Introduction

The Importance of Noah and the Flood

Chapters 6-9



The Importance of Noah and the Flood Account

■ Context in Scripture

- Part of the book of Genesis
- Toledot Structure of Genesis
 - ✓ Toledot (תולדות) means “*generations*” or “*genealogy*” or “*history*”
 - ✓ Eleven toledot sections
 - ✓ Noah is the third toledot

3rd Toledot

1. “These are the generations of [Toledot] the heavens and of the earth” (Gen. 1:1-2:4).
2. “This is the book of the generations of [Toledot] Adam” (Gen. 5:1).
3. “These are the generations of [Toledot] Noah” (Gen. 6:9).
4. “These are the generations of [Toledot] the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth” (Gen. 10:1).
5. “These are the generations of [Toledot] Shem” (Gen. 11:10).
6. “These are the generations of [Toledot] Terah” (Gen. 11:27).
7. “These are the generations of [Toledot] Ishmael” (Gen. 25:12).
8. “These are the generations of [Toledot] Isaac, Abraham’s son” (Gen. 25:19).
9. “These are the generations of [Toledot] Esau, who is Edom” (Gen. 36:1).
10. “These are the generations of [Toledot] Esau the father of the Edomites” (Gen. 36:9).
11. “These are the generations of [Toledot] Jacob” (Gen. 37:2).

Noah is the third toledot of Genesis.

The Importance of Noah and the Flood Account



■ Context in Scripture

- Recognized in the New Testament

Jesus speaking

✓ Matthew 24:37 Olivet Discourse - *as in the days of Noah*

✓ Luke 3:36 Genealogy of Jesus - *Adam to Jesus, thru Noah*

✓ Luke 17:26-27 Coming of the Kingdom - *as in the days of Noah*

✓ Hebrews 11:7 Hall of Fame of Faith - *by Faith*

✓ 1 Peter 3:20 Divine Longsuffering - *ark being prepared*

✓ 2 Peter 2:5 God did not spare the ancient world - *saved Noah*

- Flood is not a myth - it is an historic event
- Noah is not a myth - he is a historic figure

Noah is recognized as a historic figure in the NT – including a reference by Jesus.

The Importance of Noah and the Flood Account



■ More than a Children's Story

• The Children's Story

- ✓ Noah is warned by God that a flood is coming
- ✓ Noah builds an ark
- ✓ Noah and family enter the ark with the pairs of animals
- ✓ The flood comes
- ✓ Noah, his family and the animals on the ark are saved
- ✓ As a promise to never flood the earth again, God puts a rainbow in the sky
- ✓ The focus of the Children's Story
 - Flood
 - Ark
 - Animals
 - Rainbow

The basic "Children's Story" of Noah.

The Importance of Noah and the Flood Account



■ More than a Children's Story

- Most Adults ...
 - ✓ Do not hear much about Noah ... teaching & preaching
 - ✓ Do not feel Noah and the Flood are relevant today
 - ✓ When rereading the Flood Account
 - Are shocked by the Holocaust
 - Are shocked by the violence
 - Are shocked by the depravity
 - Glean a negative view of God

The true story of Noah is an adult story that deserves our careful study.

The Importance of Noah and the Flood Account



■ Relevant for Today

- A study of Noah and the Flood Account is ...
 - ✓ Foundational for understanding redemptive history
 - ✓ Relevant in the wicked age in which we live
 - ✓ Beneficial for understanding the clear message of the Gospel via types of Christ

A type is a person, thing, or an event that models or symbolizes what will appear later

Most types in Genesis find their fulfillment in Christ's person and/or ministry

The true story of Noah is important and relevant for all believers.



Introduction

Genealogy: Adam to Noah

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Genealogy - Adam to Noah ... Genesis 5



Generation	Name	Age at Son's Birth	Lifespan	Year Born	Year Died	Reference
01	Adam	130	930	0	930	Genesis 5:3-5
02	Seth	105	920	130	1050	Genesis 5:6-8
03	Enosh	90	905	235	1140	Genesis 5:9-11
04	Cainan	70	910	325	1235	Genesis 5:12-14
05	Mahalalel	65	895	395	1290	Genesis 5:15-17
06	Jared	162	962	460	1422	Genesis 5:18-20
07	Enoch	65	365	622	987	Genesis 5:21-24
08	Methuselah	187	969	687	1656	Genesis 5:25-27
09	Lamech	182	777	874	1651	Genesis 5:28-31
10	Noah	500	950	1056	2006	Genesis 5:32; 9:28-29

■ Observations

- Oldest Patriarchs Who Died
 - ✓ Methuselah - 969
 - ✓ Jared - 962
 - ✓ Noah - 950
- Enoch - never died
- Noah - spans both epochs

■ Observations

- Noah (*name means "Rest" or "Comfort"*)
 - ✓ 1st patriarch born after Adam's death
- Flood
 - Year is 1656 (*relative Adam's creation*)
 - Noah is 600 years old
 - Lamech dies 5 years before
 - Methuselah dies same year
(*name means "His death shall bring"*)

Genealogy - Adam to Noah ... Genesis 5



■ Hidden Message in the Family Tree

HEBREW	ENGLISH	NOTES
Adam	Man	Adam's name means "man"
Seth	Appointed	Seth's name means "appointed"
Enosh	Mortal	Enosh's name means "mortal", "frail", or "miserable"
Kenan Cainan	Sorrow	Kenan's name means "sorrow", "dirge" or "elegy". Kenan is synonymous with Cainan.
Mahalalel	The Blessed God	Mahalalel's name means "blessed", or "praise". El is the name for God
Jared	Shall Come Down	Jared's name means "descent" or "shall come down". Some scholars believe this refers to the Nephilim that started in Jared's day.
Enoch	Teaching	Enoch's name means "teaching" or "commencement". Enoch was the father of Methuselah.
Methuselah	His Death Shall Bring	Methuselah's name means "death shall bring". Enoch was given a prophesy of the coming Great Flood. Methuselah is the grandfather of Noah.
Lamech	The Despairing	Lamech's name means "despairing". Name is also linked to the Lamech in Cain's line. Lamech is the father of Noah.
Noah	Rest or Comfort	Noah's name means "rest" or "comfort" (<i>Gen 5:29</i>)

Man [is] appointed mortal sorrow; [but] the blessed God shall come down teaching [that] His death shall bring [the] despairing rest".

Taken from the book "Alien Encounters" by Chuck Missler, Mark Eastman.



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Quick Course Overview

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▪ Lesson 02: Humanity's Descent

[Genesis 6:1-4]

- Conflict between Seed of the woman - Seed of the serpent comes to a crisis point (Genesis 3:15)

✓ Effects of the fall are evident throughout humanity

- Corruption
- Violence
- Destruction on the family
- Who are the “Sons of God”?
- Who are the Nephilim?

And I will put enmity
Between you and the woman,
And between your seed and her Seed;
He shall bruise your head,
And you shall bruise His heel.”

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▪ Lesson 03: The LORD is Grieved

[Genesis 6:5-8]

- God is grieved by the descent of humanity
- God in His holiness determines to justly destroy all
 - ✓ But righteous Noah and his family
 - ✓ In an act of redemptive judgment
- God makes a covenant of preservation with Noah
 - ✓ He would be delivered through the ordeal of water
 - ✓ This is a type of our salvation through Christ (*the new covenant*)
- Noah was called righteous
 - ✓ Only because of his relationship with God - by Grace
- Noah is a type of Christ
 - ✓ In his walk with God
 - ✓ In his prophetic role
 - ✓ In his representation before God of his family

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▪ Lesson 04: Noah Built an Ark

[Genesis 6:9-16]

- Noah's faith is seen in how he acted on it by building the ark
- The ark is a type of the kingdom of God
 - ✓ By entering
 - saved from judgment
 - ✓ Entrance is through one door
 - salvation is found only in Christ (John 10:7)

Then Jesus said to them again, "Most assuredly, I say to you, **I am the door** of the sheep.

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- **Lesson 05: A Covenant of Redemptive Judgment** *[Genesis 6:17-22]*
 - The flood is a prototype of the redemptive judgment yet to come
 - ✓ At the end of the age
 - ✓ With fire
 - Redemptive for the elect
 - ✓ Who have accepted Christ
 - Damning for the wicked
 - ✓ Who have rejected Christ
 - ✓ Who refuse to submit to His Lordship

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▪ Lesson 06: The LORD Shut the Door

[Genesis 7:1-16]

- Closure of the Door by the LORD
 - ✓ Indicates that God is the chief actor in all events
 - ✓ He seals our salvation
- God was present with Noah and spoke to him
 - ✓ He separated and protected His own from the world
- Deliverance through the flood becomes a type of
 - ✓ Baptism and salvation as believers in Christ

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▪ Lesson 07: The Extent of the Flood

[Genesis 7:17-23]

- The extent of the flood was universal
 - ✓ Indicating God's triumph over His enemies
 - ✓ Yet showing mercy to His elect
- Type of Christ
 - ✓ Those in Christ are saved - as Noah and family were in the Ark
 - ✓ Those not in Christ are lost - left to judgment for their sin
 - ✓ God warns us to flee the coming judgment - seek refuge in Christ

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▪ Lesson 08: But God Remembered Noah

[Genesis 7:24-8:14]

- After 150 days in the Ark - God remembers Noah
 - ✓ God demonstrates His faithful love
 - ✓ God demonstrates His timely intervention
 - ✓ God's remembrance was covenant fulfilling
- Wind of the Spirit passes over the Earth
 - ✓ Making the waters subside
 - ✓ Begins the process of re-creation
 - ✓ Similar to *Genesis 1* - "... *Spirit hovering over the waters...*"
- Dove sent out - returned with an Olive branch
 - ✓ Reminds us of the New Creation made by the Holy Spirit
 - ✓ Holy Spirit Transforms believers to be more like Christ

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▪ Lesson 09: Noah Came Out and Worshiped

[Genesis 8:15-22]

- Noah coming out of the Ark
 - ✓ Prefigures our union with Christ in passing through judgment to resurrection and new life
- Noah exiting the Ark - Offered God a sacrifice
 - ✓ Offering of thanks
 - ✓ Offering of homage - *“formal public acknowledgment of allegiance”*
 - ✓ Atonement for sin
 - In faith he offered a sacrifice that prefigured the death of the Seed of Eve who would crush the head of the serpent (Colossians 2:15)
 - ✓ The sweet aroma of sacrifice
 - Reminds us that our lives dedicated to the Lord
 - » Are pleasing to God
 - » Bring glory to Him (Romans 12:1)

Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is your reasonable service.*

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▪ Lesson 10: A Renewed Mandate

[Genesis 9:1-4]

• Covenant

- ✓ The sacrifice culminated in God making a covenant with Noah
- ✓ Common grace for the whole world
- ✓ Renewed God's mandate to humanity
 - To fill the earth
 - To rule (take dominion over) the earth
- ✓ Covenant emphasizes the importance of the family
- ✓ The mandate to be fruitful extends to other social orders
- ✓ The prohibition against eating the blood of animals
 - Reminds us of the significance of the altar of sacrifice
 - A type of the blood of Christ spilled for our sins

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▪ Lesson 11: Accountability to God for Life

[Genesis 9:5-7]

- Prohibition of Murder
 - ✓ The importance of the image of God in people is emphasized in the prohibition of murder
 - ✓ Jesus was murdered
 - Through His blood
 - He purifies us from all sin (1 John 1:7)
- God gave man a share in His judicial authority
 - ✓ Establishment of human government

But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the **blood of Jesus** Christ His Son **cleanses us from all sin.**

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▪ Lesson 12: A Rainbow of Remembrance

[Genesis 9:8-17]

- God's Covenant Rainbow
 - ✓ Reminds us that God is still good
 - ✓ Reminds us that God has good in store for us
 - ✓ God is staying His judgment to show us His mercy
 - ✓ Noah became the mediator of God's mercy to all creation
 - He is a type of the Jesus the mediator of our salvation
 - ✓ Reminds us of God's promise to never destroy by flood again
 - Reminds us the He is here for us - patiently waiting
 - This is comfort
 - This is a sign of common grace for all
 - » Until the final redemption
 - » The day of final judgment

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▪ Lesson 13: Noah and His Three Sons

[Genesis 9:18-29]

• The sins of Noah and Ham

✓ No believer is immune from falling into sin

- We are all in a spiritual battle
- Even Noah
 - » Noah was a preacher of righteousness (2 Peter 2:5)
 - » Noah walked with God (Genesis 6:9)

and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, *one of eight people*, **a preacher of righteousness**, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly;

✓ The story

- Noah became drunk and laid naked in his tent
- Shem and Japheth covered him with a garment
 - » Type of the actions of Christ who covers our sin and shame with His blood
- Noah curses Ham for his actions in this incident
- Noah blesses Shem and Japheth
 - » Type of the blessing of the gospel that will go to all nations

This is the genealogy of Noah. Noah was a just man, perfect in his generations. **Noah walked with God.**

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