

SERMON NOTES

GOD OF HONOR

GENESIS 9:18-28

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I. _____ this—the flood did not fix mankind’s problem with sin and shame. (18-23)

II. _____ before your God, who holds all people accountable for their decisions and actions. (24-28)

IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS

KEY PASSAGE: GENESIS 9:18-28

Opening: What truths impacted you most from the sermon/passage? *Know this—the flood did not fix mankind’s problem with sin and shame; Bow before your God, who holds all people accountable for their decisions and actions.*

INFORM THE HEAD/STIR THE HEART

Please read Genesis 9:18-28 and answer the following:

1. Please read Genesis 8:21 and explain how God’s statement about man was proven in Genesis 9:18-28.
 - a. What compromising position did Noah put himself in? (Please see Ephesians 5:18-19 for help.)

- b. What bad decision was made, and by whom, in response to Noah’s compromise?

- c. How did Shem and Japheth respond to the situation with Noah?

- d. How does this story mirror the story of Adam and Eve in the fall (Genesis 3)?

2. What curse did Noah give when he woke up and found out what had happened?

3. When something is repeated 3 X's or more, God is making a point. What point is God making about Canaan and his offspring?

4. Please read Exodus 6:2-8, Joshua 5:1, and Joshua 21:43-45. How was Noah's curse fulfilled?

5. Please give one word to describe each person in this story. Which person do you relate to the most and why?

6. What character traits of your God do you see on display in this passage?

CHALLENGE THE WILL

What is one thing from this passage that you will apply to your life—in your actions, thoughts, or desires—to better center your worship on the Lord?

WEEKLY READING PLAN

Monday, January 19 // Ephesians 5:1-10
Walk as Children of Light

Tuesday, January 20 // Ephesians 5:11-21
Be Filled with the Spirit

Wednesday, January 21 // Revelation 3:14-22
Clothe Yourself in His White Robes

Thursday, January 22 // Philippians 2:1-13
Have the Mind of Christ

Friday, January 23 // Genesis 10:1-32
God of All Nations