



Story of *salvation*

Genesis 6:13 *destruction prophesied.* See Matt 24:36-25:13 Genesis 6:14 *salvation provided for.* God provides for His people in Jesus

Covenant Established

Genesis 6:18

God always provides a legal promise for His people

Time to Prepare

Genesis 6:14-22 God is patient and always gives time for people to turn to Him and prepare themselves for Him

He calls us to Himself

Genesis 7:1 *Come thou into the Ark.* (NB NIV says Go....but God was there)

God is always wanting us to come to Him for protection. Jesus called 'all who are weary' to come unto Him

Nothing seemed to happen

Genesis 7:7-12 They lived in the Ark for 7 days with the sun shining. During this period they made it their home but still lived out in the world too. The animals were drawn to the Ark for safety (and doubtless Noah was evangelising too).

We are in Jesus, and the world goes on as before. We need to be bringing more to be with Him too.

Only One Way

There was only one wav to be saved from the disaster to come. The Ark. There was only one way into the Ark, only one door. Jesus said "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, no-one comes to the Father except through *me"* {John14:6}. God only provides one way, but He makes it clear to all.

God shut the door

Genesis 7:16.

God protected Noah. The dangers outside were locked out. Salvation is secure in Jesus. (note too, though, that those outside had now missed their chance). The Ark suffered the ravages of the storm, so that Noah was protected from them; just as Jesus suffered the ravages of death so that we are saved from them.

Noah 'died to the world' but the world died. We have to be in Christ or the world, we cannot be in both.

The Foolish Virgins

Matthew 25:1-13 Jesus told this parable about being ready for His coming. It has many parallels with the story of Genesis 6-8. Once the door was closed there was no re-opening it. It's a consistent theme of scripture.

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Sources include materials from www.pgmi.org

Pitch perfect The word translated *pitch* in Genesis 6:14 is CAPHAR (to cover). I'm told that this word is also translated as to atone in the Old Testament. The blood of sacrifices caphared sin. As Noah was protected by the caphar on the Ark, so Christ's Blood *caphars* us too!