SALVATION THROUGH JUDGMENT

Proclamation Life Groups; Genesis 6:9-8:22; Week of Sunday, March 19, 2017; Steve Thiel

Sermon Theme: God's judgment is the result of man's sin, corruption, and violence; but because of His grace and mercy, He provides salvation through the obedience of the seed of the woman. Noah and the flood point us to a coming judgment and the salvation that is available in Christ alone.

I. PREPARATION FOR JUDGMENT – (Genesis 6:9-22)

- A. What observations do you make about the description given of Noah?
- B. What stands out to you when you compare and contrast Noah to the rest of mankind?
- C. What details are we given about the ark? What are you immediate impressions of the ark? Do you have any questions about the plausibility of the ark?

II. REALITY OF JUDGMENT – (Genesis 7:1-24)

- A. How do you think the rest of mankind responded to Noah building an ark?
- B. How does 2 Peter 2:4-5 helpful in realizing that Noah was more than a boat builder? What encourages you about his faithfulness? How would you like to grow in gospel proclamation?
- C. When you read Genesis 7:22 and the door being shut by God, how does that help you realize the glorious opportunity of salvation and yet the finality of the Lord's judgment?
- D. As you read Genesis 7:17-20, what details highlight that God is un-creating the world?
- E. How does the flood drive home the seriousness of sin (Genesis 7:21-24)?

III. SALVATION IN JUDGMENT – (Genesis 8:1-22)

- A. How does Genesis 8:1-4 highlight God's recreation of the world?
- B. As you look at the entirety of the narrative, what details help you understand the importance of the statement in Genesis 8:1, "But God remembered Noah"?
- C. How is Noah's response to his salvation in the midst of judgment (Genesis 8:20-22) totally appropriate to the recent events? How would you like to grow in worshipping God? Do you think that your worship is consistent with the glory of your salvation?