

Study Guide

Pray: Pray that God will show you something new in His Word and that you will be fully present as you consider these questions.

Read: Begin by reading Genesis 6 & 7 straight through, as you would read chapters of any book.

Questions:

1. What was the state of the world/population at the time of Noah? (eg. life expectancy, behaviour, respect for God)
2. What words describe what God saw & led to the flooding of the earth?
3. What had corrupted their way on the earth? Chapter 6:v.11 & 12
4. God gave Noah very clear and specific instructions. What do you notice recorded as Noah's response each time:
 - Chapter 6:v.22
 - Chapter 7:v.5
 - Chapter 7:v.9
5. What aspect of following God's instructions do you think you would have found the easiest, and which the hardest? (eg. mockery, physical labor, patience, family pressure)

6. Why did it take so long to build the Ark? See 1 Peter 3 v.20 – How is this an indication of God's patience and grace?

7. There had not been rain on the earth before. Where did the rain come from? Genesis 7:v.11
What do you think Noah thought when he saw the rainstorm?

8. Compare the following paired verses:

- Genesis 7:v.4 / Genesis 7:v.12

- Genesis 6:v.7 & 8 / Genesis 7:v.23

Does the fulfilment of God's Word cause you to be confident, or fearful? Why?

Focus verse: 2 Peter 3:9 - write out this verses and consider it during the week.