

1. Observe

## A WORLD IN NEED OF SAVING

# FINDING GRACE IN A WICKED WORLD

**GENESIS 6** 

## Ben Blakey - Compass Bible Church - November 19, 2023

i. Observe	(vv. 1-7)	6 When man began to multiply on the face of
	(VV. 1-7)	the land and daughters were born to them, 2 the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose. 3 Then the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years." 4 The
		Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of man and they bore children to them. These were the mighty men who were of old, the men of renown.  5 The LORD saw that the wickedness of man
		was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. 6 And the LORD regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved his to his heart. 7 So the LORD said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping thing
		and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them." 8 But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.
2. Humbly	(v. 8)	9 These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation. Noah walked with God. 10 And Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.
		11 Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence. 12 And God saw the earth, and behold, it was corrupt for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth. 13 And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth. 14 Make yourself an ark of gopher wood. Mak rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out
		with pitch. 15 This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark 300 cubits, its breadth 50 cubits, and its height 30 cubits. 16 Make a roo for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above, and set the door of the ark in its side. Make it with lower, second, and third decks. 17 For behold I will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to
3. Trust	(vv. 9-22)	destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life under heaven. Everything that is on the earth shall die. 18 But I will establish my covenant with you, and you shall come into the ark, you your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. 19 And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every sort into the ark to keep them alive with you. They shall be male and female. 20 Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds. of every creeping thing of the ground.

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#### **APPLICATION QUESTIONS**

- 1. **Read Ephesians 4:30**. What are some ways you think your words or actions have grieved the Holy Spirit of God over the past week? How can the grief that God feels over sin properly motivate you towards holiness this week?
- 2. **Read Luke 18:9-14**. Who might you be tempted to include in a list of people you feel "better than" like this Pharisee? Why are you not actually better than them without justification through God's grace?
- 3. **Read Isaiah 66:2**. In what ways do you think you most struggle to humble yourself before God? (If you're brave enough, ask a close friend or your spouse how they would answer this question for you!) How can the promise of grace toward the humble encourage you in these areas?
- 4. If obedience is a fruit of faith, think about the ways you struggle to obey and consider how that reflects a lack of trust in God. In the ways you are struggling to obey, what do you think you are failing to believe about God, his word, and his promises?
- 5. **Read Genesis 6:8**. As you celebrate Thanksgiving this week, spend extra time considering God's grace. What are some ways that God has graciously shown favor to you over the last year?

#### RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

Here are some books which may help you dig deeper into what we studied today. While Pastor Ben cannot endorse everything about each book/author, he does think these books are worth considering and reading.

Bridges, Jerry. The Practice of Godliness. Navpress, 2008.

MacArthur, John. Biblical Doctrine. Crossway, 2017.

Piper, John. Future Grace. Multnomah. 2012.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Pray that we would walk with God in a wicked world like Noah did.

Pray that more people would look to God for grace.

Pray prayers of thanksgiving for all the ways God has shown you grace.

Pray that 2023 is the most faithful and fruitful year of evangelism in your life.

Pray that God will provide a long-term home for CBCTV through the Taking Ground project.

#### REVIVAL FROM THE BIBLE READING **Date** Old Testament **New Testament** 11/20 Ecclesiastes 9-12 1 Peter 3 11/21 Esther 1-3 1 Peter 4 11/22 Esther 4-7 1 Peter 5 11/23 Esther 8-10 2 Peter 1 11/24 Daniel 1-2 2 Peter 2 11/25 Daniel 3-4 2 Peter 3