

THE GLORY OF GOD

Week 3 – JROC - Noah's ark is a type of Jesus

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Gen. 6:14 – the ark was made watertight with pitch inside and out. WHY mention this? The judgment of the flood waters did not touch the eight persons nor the animals in the ark.

“Pitch” in the Hebrew is *kaphar* which means to cover/purge/make atonement/make reconciliation (between parties [Biblically - between God and man]). God's plan is to reconcile man with Himself. Redemption! *Kaphar* is used 70 times in the Bible to mean atonement as it relates to blood sacrifice. In Gen. 6 it means price of a life/ransom! The pitch inside and outside served as the ransom – the payment provided to save Noah and his family! The pitch looks forward to/speaks to the ransom price Jesus paid in His redemption for us!

Gen. 6:16 – *you shall...set the door of the ark in its side* There was only one way to enter the vessel of deliverance. The ark furnished one door. John 10:9 - *I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved....*

Gen. 7:16 - *So those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the LORD shut him in* (to deliver up)

Gen. 7:17-19 - *Now the flood was on the earth forty days. The waters increased and lifted up the ark, and it rose high above the earth.* ¹⁸ *The waters prevailed and greatly increased on the earth, and the ark moved about on the surface of the waters.* ¹⁹ *And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered.*

Gen. 8:1-4 - *Then God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the animals that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters subsided.* ² *The fountains of the deep and the windows of heaven were also stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained.* ³ *And the waters receded continually from the earth. At the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters decreased.* ⁴ *Then the ark rested in the seventh month, the seventeenth day of the month, on the mountains of Ararat.*

The ark is a type of Jesus. Jesus is represented by the ark; His work is represented by the ark. The ark rested on a specific date.

John 17:4-5 - *I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do.* ⁵ *And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.*

The flood waters receded and Noah's ark touched down on the mountains. The ark rested on the mountains of Ararat on the 17th day of the 7th month. SO?? The 7th month at that time in the history of the world, was considered a month in the civil calendar...not the religious calendar of the Jewish people. NOTE: I Pet. 3:20-22 connects Noah's ark with Jesus' resurrection!

In Exodus 12 God changed the calendar for the Jewish people. They had been following a civil calendar which was for mankind.

In Exodus 12, God gave the Jewish people a religious calendar based on their Feasts. We are reading the civil calendar in Gen. 8:4 – the 17th day of the 7th month. When God changed the calendar in Ex. 12...that 17th day of the SEVENTH month on the civil calendar became the 17th day of the FIRST month, Nisan, on the religious calendar. SO??

If you have a MacArthur Study Bible you'll find a chart re: the civil calendar and the religious calendar on pg. 273 on which you'll see that the 7th month on the civil calendar became the 1st month on the religious/sacred calendar.

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What happened during the month of Nisan during Jesus' last days on earth? On the 17th day of the 1st month Jesus ROSE FROM THE DEAD – HE RESURRECTED – Jesus rested from His work!!!! The ark that rescued Noah and his family – along with animals from God's

creation – rested on Mount Ararat on the day that looked forward to the resurrection of the “Seed of the Woman” – when Jesus rested from His work! Gen. 8:4 looks forward to the resurrection of the “Seed of the woman”!!!

Turn to Genesis 10 where we read of Noah's descendants through his three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. The descendants: 70 nations!

In Deut. 32:8-9 – we read of God setting the boundaries of the 70 nations according to the number of the children of Israel. HOW? The # of the children of Israel in Egypt at the outset: 70 (Gen. 46:27b). God ordained a plan whereby the nations (70) and Israel would be connected (Gen. 12:3 – all the families of the earth will be blessed through the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Gen. 18:18 – instrument of blessing for the world).

In Genesis 11 we read the first attempt at GLOBALISM – ONE WORLD!!

Genesis 11:1-9 - *Now the whole earth had one language and one speech. ² And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar (Babylon), and they dwelt there.*

*³ Then they said to one another, 'Come, let us make bricks and bake them thoroughly.' They had brick for stone, and they had asphalt for mortar. ⁴ And they said, 'Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.' (God had told man to *be fruitful and multiple; fill the earth and subdue it* [Gen. 1:28]; but they wanted no part of that. They wanted to build up to the heavens and make a name for themselves) ⁵ But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower (the top of which is in the heavens!! God has a sense of humor!) *which the sons of men had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, 'Indeed the people are one and they all have one language, and this is what they begin to do; now nothing that they propose to do will be withheld from them. ⁷ **Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.** ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they ceased building the city. ⁹ Therefore its name is called Babel (confusion), because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.**

Something different is happening....

Gen. 11:26 – *Now Terah lived seventy years, and begot Abram, Nahor, and Haran.*

Gen. 11:27-32 – *This is the genealogy of Terah: Terah begot Abram, Nahor, and Haran. Haran begot Lot. ²⁸ And Haran died before his father Terah in his native land, in Ur of the Chaldeans. ²⁹ Then Abram and Nahor took wives: the name of Abram's wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran the father of Milcah and the father of Iscah. ³⁰ But Sarai was barren; she had no child.*

³¹ And Terah took his son Abram and his grandson Lot, the son of Haran, and his daughter-in-law Sarai, his son Abram's wife, and they went out with them from Ur of the Chaldeans to go to the land of Canaan; and they came to Haran and dwelt there. ³² So the days of Terah were two hundred and five years, and Terah died in Haran.