

“As In The Days Of Noah” John 20 Introduction continued Genesis 8-9; 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 3:18-22

THERE ARE FOUR CIVILIZATIONS:1. The Antediluvian civilization

2. The Postdiluvian civilization3. The Millennial civilization4. The Eternal civilization

Before the judgment of the flood, the climate of the world was characterized by perpetual spring!

The rainbow is light broken down by refraction as a sign of God’s promise that He will keep His Word meaning we are guaranteed to continue as the human race and in order for that to happen,

God’s divine institutions must be up and running as much as possible and they are: 1. Free-will responsibility or volition 2. Marriage 3. Family 4. The Nation

5. Human government.

Adam became aware of his nakedness and was covered by God and Noah became naked and was covered by two of his sons.

Adam’s sin brought a curse upon his posterity, Romans 5:12 and Noah’s sin brought a curse upon a portion of his posterity, Genesis 9:24-25.

There are three great prophecies in Genesis: 1) The Prophecy of salvation in Genesis 3:15

2) The Prophecy of the history of the postdiluvian civilization in Genesis 9:25-26

3) The Prophecy of the tribes of Israel in Genesis 49.

The people of Noah’s day had 120 years in which to believe in Jesus Christ and they had a very excellent teacher, evangelist and preacher of righteousness named Noah who by the way, did not talk about morality, instead he preached imputed righteousness by believing in the Lord Jesus Christ as he and his family did.

And what entered into the treasure chest?

Eight members of the human race, all born again and we have another analogy; Jesus Christ is the ark, the treasure chest in Colossians 2:2-3.

Ironically the water of the flood designed to eradicate the human race and much of creation, became the very instrument of godly Noah’s family’s deliverance while at the same time, it obliterated the entire antediluvian civilization.

So, it’s instead of the historical example itself, there’s a type represented; the treasure chest or ark and the antitype is the doctrine of the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Israel would go down under God’s gracious disciplinary action and the new Church would now represent the Lord on the earth and therefore, a personal relationship very similar to the preservation of Noah and his family occurred.

And for that reason, Peter was able to put together this idea of type and antitype; the historical treasure chest or ark and the biblical truth of the doctrine of the baptism of the

Holy Spirit.

Spirit baptism is one of the forty things accomplished by God for our salvation as it actually places us in union with our Savior Jesus Christ and as believers in Him, we share His righteousness, Sonship, Inheritance, Kingship, Priesthood, Election, Destiny, Sanctification, Acceptance and His very life which is eternal life!

And one other thing; we shouldn’t be surprised when we are called upon to share in His suffering.

The possession of a sinful nature makes the pledge of a good conscience toward God impossible for us but the baptism of the Spirit produces the answer for our dilemma through the doctrines of retroactive and current positional truth.

Here, we have the victory of the angelic dispute beginning with the Cross, followed by the resurrection and then the session where Jesus Christ is seated at the right Hand of the Father

awaiting instructions as to when to gather His bride for her procession, wedding and banquet feast.

In the days of Noah, all unbelievers were saturated with water and at the Second Advent of Jesus Christ, all unbelievers will be saturated with fire.

All unbelievers were taken out from earth which then began all over with believers only, just as the Millennium will begin with believers only and then at the end of the Millennium, there will be many unbelievers just as eventually there are many unbelievers on earth after the flood but it started with believers only.

Noah and his family represent resurrection as they were alive after virtually all of creation had died and now we know the rest of the story!