

THE DAYS OF NOAH

“But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.” **Matt. 24:37-39**

Jesus compared the day of His 2nd Coming to the days of Noah. In order for us to better understand this comparison, let us go back to the Book of Beginnings – **Genesis 4:1-26** – and see how Noah’s day compares to ours.

NOAH’S DAY: CHARACTERIZED BY PERVERSION

Genesis 4:1-15 reveals how Adam and Eve’s son, Cain, tried to **pervert** the right ways of God. **Genesis 4:3-5a** states, “And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering: But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect.”

God rejected the offering of Cain because he attempted to come to God on his own terms and not God’s terms. God required a **BLOOD** sacrifice then, and He still requires **BLOOD** today. Thank the LORD for the Lamb of God, Yeshua (JESUS) Who offered His own precious **BLOOD** on the Cross for the sin of the world.

Cain’s **perversion** is all too common in today’s world. God said, “For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.” **2 Timothy 4:3-4**

Today, there is an enormous epidemic of **religious perversion** infesting society. Many prefer false religions and cults to the **ONE TRUE WAY** of approaching a Holy, Righteous God. Today, 1/3 of adults under the age of 30 claim “**no religious affiliation**”. For the first time in American history, there is not a Protestant majority! People are turning away from doctrinal truth and turning to idols!

NOAH’S DAY: CHARACTERIZED BY PROSPERITY

Genesis 4:20 – “And Adah bare **Jabal**: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, and of such as have cattle.”

It appears that **Jabal** was the first person to practice the domestication of animals, and he prospered greatly in his day. This is illustrated by the fact that he lived in tents and had cattle. We are living in a day of **prosperity**. I realize that unemployment is up and stocks are down. I realize there are more people falling into poverty. However, when we look

at stores, ball games, concerts, and movie theaters, we realize that there are people spending money and lots of it! Many people are prosperous.

NOAH’S DAY: CHARACTERIZED BY PLEASURE

Genesis 4:21 – “And his brother’s name was **Jubal**: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ.”

Jabal wasn’t the only one in his family that was successful; so was his brother, **Jubal**. Jubal was the “father of the entertainment industry.”

Just as the Noah’s day was characterized by **pleasure**, so is our day. It is a sad that more people know the names of entertainers and sports figures than names in the Bible.

NOAH’S DAY: CHARACTERIZED BY PROGRESS

Genesis 4:17; 22 – “And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch. And Zillah, she also bare Tubalcain, an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubalcain was Naamah.”

It appears that Noah's day had much **advancement** in industry. Brass and iron were not easily produced. The same can be said of our day!

There is so much **progress** today in technology, medicine, science, industry. God said it would be so.

2 Timothy 3:7 - "Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth."

NOAH'S DAY: CHARACTERIZED BY POLYGAMY

Genesis 4:23 - "And Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech hearken unto my speech..."

God instituted marriage between one man and one woman (**Gen. 2:18-25**). Lamech was a **polygamist**. Marriage is under fire today! Same sex marriages, polygamy, living together out of wedlock are all the rage.

NOAH'S DAY: CHARACTERIZED BY PRIDE

Genesis 4:24 - "If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold."

Lamech's name means "king; conqueror", and he acted like he was king of the world! What a narcissist! He thought so much of himself that he believed God would avenge him 70 times more than his great-grandfather, Cain.

Today, we live in a day of **pride**. Just watch many entertainers, athletes, politicians, and even some preachers! "Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall."
Proverbs 16:18

NOAH'S DAY: CHARACTERIZED BY POLLUTION

Genesis 6:1-13 reveals that Noah's day was characterized by **sexual, social, and spiritual pollution**, so much so that God destroyed mankind with a flood. Only Noah and his family survived.

Will **YOU** bow your head right now and pray, "Lord Jesus, I acknowledge I am a sinner, and I repent of my sin. I believe **JESUS** died for my sins and rose from the dead to conquer death and hell. I call upon **JESUS** right now and ask you to deliver me. In the name of **JESUS** I pray, AMEN!"



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