

Origins Sermon Series

It's easy to rush through life without pausing to understand our meaning and purpose. But to have a life worth living requires answering the Big Questions: Who are we? Why are we here? Where are we going? The universe, life, order, meaning, gender, marriage, languages... everything we experience today started somewhere. In this series, we'll examine the beginning of human history and the Bible's answers to some of life's biggest questions.

Week Eight (3/7/21): Can It Get Too Bad?

Text: Genesis 6-8

As we see in Genesis, Noah was obedient to God's Word, walking faithfully with Him. Think about your own life. Do you walk with God, clinging to His promises even as you experience the hardships of your calling to follow Jesus in a sinful world?

Sermon Outline:

1. What became of Adam's family?
2. What became of Noah's family?

Application and Possible Questions:

- In an evil world, walk with God.
 - How does the description of society in Noah's day (Genesis 6:1-5; 11-12) compare to our world today? Where do you see the influence of Satan?
- The evidence of our faith in God is obedience to His Word.
 - Noah was a standout in his culture because he walked with God. What does it look like to walk with God today? See 2 Peter 3:7-13.
 - Think of ways to encourage each other in pursuing a genuine walk with God.
- In the turmoil of the coming judgment, cling to God's promises.
 - Genesis 8:1 is comforting to us as we experience hardships of to follow Jesus in a sinful world. Share a time when you were in the storm and how God remembered you.
- After judgment, worship and rebuild.
 - Read Genesis 8:21-22; Hebrews 12:28; Revelation 21:1-5 and 22:1-7. How do these promises help you to keep up your courage in the face of a coming judgment?

Memory Verse:

"By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that comes by faith."

Hebrews 11:7