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The Life of Noah – Genesis 8 & 9

Noah came off the ark and the first thing Noah did was to build an altar and offer a burnt ***sacrifice*** to the Lord.

A burnt sacrifice (throughout the OT) is primarily a recognition of ***total devotion*** to the Lord.

God makes provisions to ***protect*** the life of man in this new world where sin and corruption will again soon abound.

- God gives man a new authority over the ***animals***. (2-3)
- God makes a provision to restrain ***murder***. (5-6)
- God makes a covenant to protect man from ***God***. (11)

The rainbow is a symbol of that ***grace*** & mercy.

What does the Life of Noah tell us…

About us?

1) We can be instruments of true life and hope ***in the midst*** of the darkness we live in.
2) We do that by letting the big picture of being like ***Jesus*** make the difference in what we do "***right now***."
3) The reason we ***trust*** God in ***all*** things is because God hates sin and can be trusted to do what is best for His children even when we can't see where it's going.

About God?

1) God holds the world ***accountable*** for its behavior.
   2 Corinthians 5:10
2) God is in ***control***.
   Philippians 3:18-4:1
3) God isn't ***finished*** yet!

The Life of Noah is a foreshadowing of what was and is to come:

- Of the ***last days*** (*Matthew 24:37*)
- Of the final ***judgment*** (*2 Peter 3:5-7*)
- Of final ***salvation*** (*1 Peter 3:20-21*)

The story of the flood is ***incomplete*** by itself. God still hates sin. Judgment is still coming. No ***remedy*** was found.

Hebrews 9:26
God has given us the remedy in ***Jesus Christ***.

We have got to be like Jesus in the every day life we live because we are God's plan for getting His provision of grace to the people in our world.

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