

A Covenant in a Fallen World

Genesis 9:1–17

Main Idea: God calls us to live according to His _____ while trusting His _____.

1. The Calling: Genesis 9:1–7

After the flood, God tells Noah: “Be _____ and _____ and fill the earth.” Which sounds a lot like Genesis _____.

The flood judged the world, but it did not remove the problem of human _____. Butl, God did not abandon His design for humanity.

God gives Noah animals for food, but He also places boundaries around how both human and life is treated.

Why? **Life belongs to** _____.

God gives life, God sustains life, God decides how life should be treated.

Genesis 9:6 reminds us why human life is uniquely valuable: “For God made man in his own _____.”

Every human being has dignity and value because every human being is an **image-bearer of God**.

That means someone’s value does not come from:

How popular they are.

How smart they are.

What they look like.

What they can accomplish.

Their value comes from God who _____ them.

Think About It

How should believing that every person bears God’s image change the way you treat the people you interact with everyday?

What are some ways people your age decide who is valuable or important?

2. The Sign: Genesis 9:8–17

God tells Noah: “I establish my _____ with you.”

God promises that He will never again destroy all life with a worldwide _____. This covenant depends on God keeping His own promise.

It is a covenant of **preservation**, not a covenant of salvation. It keeps the world going, but it does not change the sinful human _____.

The Rainbow

God gives a visible sign of His covenant: The _____.

The clouds could remind Noah of judgment. But God places His sign of promise right there in the clouds.

The rainbow reminds us that God is _____ to what He has promised.

God does not promise that there would be no future judgment.

2 Peter 3 says God is patiently giving people time to: **R**_____.

God’s patience is not permission to ignore Him. It is _____.

What Do We Do With The Time God Gives Us?

The world continues because God is preserving it according to His purpose.

A great question to ask is: “**How should I faithfully use the time God has given me?**”

Think About It

What is one way you tend to waste the time God has given you?

How would your week look different if you really believed your time belongs to God?

Final Thought

The covenant with Noah preserves the world. The new covenant in _____ saves sinners.

God has preserved history, He is redeeming people within it, and one day Christ will bring history to the end God has promised.

God keeps His promises.