

# 'As in the Days of Noah'



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YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

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**Isaiah 60 NIV** The Glory of Zion  
“**Arise, shine, for your light has come,** and the glory of the LORD rises upon you. 2 See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you. 3 Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.



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1. Intro





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## 2. Who is Noah?

### 2.1 The Story:

**Genesis 6:5** When the LORD saw that man's wickedness was widespread on the earth and that every scheme his mind thought of was nothing but evil all the time, 6 the LORD regretted that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. 7 Then the LORD said, "I will wipe off from the face of the earth mankind, whom I created, together with the animals, creatures that crawl, and birds of the sky—for I regret that I made them." 8 Noah, however, found favor *[grace]* in the sight of the LORD.



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## God Warns Noah

9 These are the family records of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among his contemporaries; Noah walked with God. 10 And Noah fathered three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth. 11 Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with wickedness. 12 God saw how corrupt the earth was, for every creature had corrupted its way on the earth. 13 Then God said to Noah, "I have decided to put an end to every creature, for the earth is filled with wickedness because of them; therefore I am going to destroy them along with the earth. 14 "Make yourself an ark of gopher wood...



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17 “Understand that I am bringing a flood—floodwaters on the earth to destroy every creature under heaven with the breath of life in it. Everything on earth will die. 18 But I will establish My covenant with you, and you will enter the ark with your sons, your wife, and your sons’ wives. 19 You are also to bring into the ark two of all the living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you.... 22 And Noah did this. He did everything that God had commanded him.



## 2.2 God's promise:

- We see:
  1. Noah had favour [grace]
  2. Righteous
  3. Blameless
  4. Walked with God
- God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them:  
“Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth”
- Gave authority and dominion
- God's covenant → never again will every creature be wiped out by the waters of a flood
- Sign of covenant: God's bow in the clouds | Rainbow



## 2.3 New Covenant Dispensation:

What does this story mean to us?

**A. Where do we see Jesus?; and**

**B. What does this mean prophetically?**



# Noah, the Ark and Jesus:



- Ark – **Safety**
- **Sufficient** | Dimensions and space
- **Saved** eight
- Had survival **sustenance**
  
- Evil **drowned** by the flood
  
- **Dove** brings new season; Dove brings **peaceful** newness
  
- The name **Noah** means “**rest**”. It derives from the Hebrew נוּחַ (nuah), to rest. The name could also mean “**comfort**.”
- 8 Noah, however, found ***favor [grace]*** in the sight of the LORD.

- In Jesus – **Safety**
- Jesus is **sufficient**
- **Salvation** in Jesus, saves us
- Jesus gives survival **sustenance** spiritually  
Bread of Life
- **Baptism**: evil authority destroyed as we declare oneness with Jesus
- **Holy Spirit** ushers in new season; Holy Spirit brings **inner peace**
  
- Our **rest and comfort** now in Jesus
  
- **Jesus is God’s grace and favour to us**

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### 3. Prophetically:

“As in the Days of Noah...”

#### **Matthew 24:37–39 (NIV)**

**37 As it was in the days of Noah**, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. 38 For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; 39 and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.





**Matthew 24:3** As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. “Tell us,” they said, “when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”<sup>4</sup> Jesus answered: “Watch out that no one deceives you.<sup>5</sup> For many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am the Messiah,’ and will deceive many.<sup>6</sup> You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come.<sup>7</sup> Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places.<sup>8</sup> All these are the beginning of birth pains.<sup>9</sup> “Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me.<sup>10</sup> At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate



each other, <sup>11</sup> and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people. <sup>12</sup> Because of the increase of wickedness *[lawlessness]*, the love of most will grow cold, <sup>13</sup> but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. <sup>14</sup> And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come...

**Matthew 24:43** But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup> So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

**Matthew 25** – The Parable of the Ten Virgins

## Meaning and Warning →

The time before His coming:

- A. The same as it was in the days of Noah, it will be before Jesus' coming: the **world will be just as wicked and evil** as it was during the time of Noah.
  
- B. It also refers to the truth that people **will be living as though nothing major is about to happen** — they will be getting married and celebrating as if the Lord isn't about to return for His second coming.





- 1. Be found in Jesus | Oil lamp full**
- 2. Be ready for His coming and live like He is returning**
- 3. If we know about the 'ark' and the grace, we need to share it!**

# LET'S PRAY

