LESSON 16

1. What did Cain and his descendants live for?

-They only lived for pleasure, money, and material possessions.

2. Because Cain killed Abel, did Satan stop God from doing that which God decided to do?

-No.

-No one can stop God from doing that which He decides to do.

3. Because Cain killed Abel, did God forget His promise to send the Savior?

-No.

-God never forgets His promises.

4. Why did God give Adam and Eve another son who was called Seth? -Because Cain killed Abel, God decided to send the Savior through the line of Seth.

5. Why did Adam and Eve die?

-Because Adam and Eve disobeyed God and listened to Satan.

6. Why do all people die? -Because of our sin.

7. What is God's punishment for sin?

-Death.

8. What did Enoch know about himself?

-Enoch knew that he was born a child of Adam and Eve.

-Enoch knew that he was born outside the Garden of Eden.

-Enoch knew that he was born into sin.

-Enoch knew that he was born into death.

9. What did Enoch know about God?

-Enoch knew that God was holy.

-Enoch knew that God punishes all sin with death.

-Enoch knew that only God was able to save him. -Enoch believed that God would send the Savior to save people from Satan.

10. What strange thing happened to Enoch? -God took Enoch to heaven to be with God.

11. What is heaven like?

-Heaven is a beautiful place where there is no sadness or tears, no sickness or death.

12. Why did God take Enoch to heaven?-Because Enoch obeyed God.-Because Enoch came to God God's way alone.

-After God took Enoch to heaven, many more years passed, and many more people were born on earth.

-While the descendants of Seth and Enoch continued to follow God, most of the other people listened only to Satan.

Let's read Genesis 6:1-2

1-When men began to increase in number on the earth and daughters were born to them,

2-the sons of God saw that the daughters of men were beautiful, and they married any of them they chose.

-Who were the sons of God?

-They were the sons of the line of Seth. -They were the men who believed in God.

-Who were the daughters of men?

-They were the daughters of the line of Cain. -They were the women who did not believe in God. -What did the sons of the line of Seth do to the daughters of the line of Cain?

-The sons of the line of Seth began to marry the daughters of the line of Cain.

-The men who believed in God began to marry women who did not believe in God.

-What happened when the sons of the line of Seth began to marry the daughters of the line of Cain?

-More and more people did not want to listen to God. -More and more people listened only to Satan.

-More and more people did not follow the way of God. -More and more people only followed their own way.

-Do you think that God was happy that more and more people did not want to listen to Him?

Let's read Genesis 6:3

3-Then the LORD said, "My Spirit will not contend with man forever, for he is mortal; his days will be a hundred and twenty years."

-God was not happy that more and more people did not want to listen to Him.

-Why did God want the people to listen to him? -So that the people would not be destroyed.

-Therefore, God said He would speak to the people for only 120 years.

-If the people still refused to follow the way of God, what would God do?

-God would punish them with death.

-How was God speaking to the people?

-God the Holy Spirit was speaking to the people in their minds.

-What was God the Holy Spirit saying to the people?

-God the Holy Spirit was saying to the people to listen to God, and not to Satan.

-God the Holy Spirit was also saying to the people to follow the way of God, and not to follow their own way.

-Does Satan also speak to people in their minds? -Yes.

-What does Satan say to people? -Satan tells people not to listen to God.

-Why does Satan not want people to listen to God?

-Satan does not want people to listen to God so that they will be destroyed.

-If you refuse to listen to God speaking to you in your mind, then God will punish you.

-Is it not better to listen to God than to Satan? -Even though God the Holy Spirit was speaking to the people, did the people listen to God?

Let's read Genesis 6:11

11-Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight and was full of violence.

-Even though God the Holy Spirit was speaking to the people, most of the people refused to listen to God.

-And the earth became full of their violence.

-What were the people of Noah's time like?

-They were selfish. -They were greedy.

-They were jealous of other people. -They tricked other people.

They lied to other people.They spoke evil of other people.They hated other people.

-They were wicked. -They were violent.

-They fought with other people.

- -They killed many people.
- -They did not want God's path.
- -They only wanted their own path.

-Are the people of today like the people of Noah's time? -Yes.

-Are people today selfish and greedy? -Yes.

-Do people today lie to other people and speak evil of them? -Yes.

-Do people today fight with other people and kill them? -Yes. -Do people today want their own path and not God's path? -Yes.

-Those people were born sinners because they were the descendants of Adam and Eve.

-The people of today are also born sinners because they are the descendants of Adam and Eve.

-All people are born sinners because we are the descendants of Adam and Eve.

-Did God see the sins of the people? Let's read Genesis 6:5 & 12

5-The LORD saw how great man's wickedness on the earth had become, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time.

12-God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways.

-Yes, God saw all of their sins.

-God sees each and every sin.

-No one can hide any sin from God, because God is everywhere.

-God sees all sin, and punishes all sin.

-God sees all sin, and punishes all sin with death.

-What did God think when He saw all of the people's sin?

Let's read Genesis 6:6-7

6-The LORD was grieved that he had made man on the earth, and his heart was filled with pain,

7-So the LORD said, "I will wipe mankind, whom I have created, from the face of the earth--men and animals, and creatures that move along the ground, and the birds of the air--for I am grieved that I have made them."

-God was very sad because of all of the people's sin.

-Because the earth was full of the people's sin, what did God decide to do?

-God decided to destroy all of the people on earth.

-Because the earth was full of the people's sin, God decided to destroy all of the living beings on earth.

-Do you think God was only talking?

-Or do you think that God would do what He said He would do?

-God told Adam and Eve that they would die and be separated from God if they ate of the fruit which He had forbidden.

-Was God only talking or did God do what He said He would do? -God did what He said He would do.

-God told Cain and Abel that they must come to God in God's own way or be rejected.

-Was God only talking or did God do what He said He would do? -God did what He said He would do.

-God is not like people.

-People say that they will do something, but then they do not do it.

-God, however, is not like people.

-God always does what He says He will do.

-Because of God's love and mercy, there was one man whom God was not going to destroy.

Let's read Genesis 6:8-10

8-But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.9-This is the account of Noah. Noah was a righteous man,blameless among the people of his time, and he walked with God.10-Noah had three sons: Shem, Ham and Japheth.

-Why did God decide not to destroy Noah? -Was it because Noah had not sinned? -No.

-Noah was born a sinner just like all people. -Noah was born a slave of Satan just like all people.

-Why did God decide not to destroy Noah?

-Because Noah did not listen to Satan.

-Because Noah listened to God.

-Because Noah did not follow his own way.

-Because Noah followed only the way of God.

-Because Noah was waiting for the Savior.

-Why did God decide to save Noah?

-Because Noah knew that he had been born into sin. -Because Noah knew that he had sinned against God.

-Because Noah knew that God punishes all sin with death.

-Because Noah knew that God alone was able to save him.

-Because Noah knew that God would send the Savior to save him from his sins.

-Because of God's grace, God decided not to destroy Noah.

-What is grace?

-Here is an illustration:

-A thief stole many times from his neighbor.

-One day, the thief was caught in a flooded river.

-The thief was almost drowning in the river.

-But his neighbor saw the thief, pulled him from the river, and rescued him.

-Even though the thief had stolen many times, the neighbor rescued him.

-Even though the thief deserved to drown, the neighbor rescued him.

-This is grace. -This is how God saves us if we only believe in Him.

-Because Noah believed in God, and God decided to save Noah, God gave Noah a command.

Let's read Genesis 6:13-14

13-So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth.

14-So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it, and coat it with pitch inside and out."

-What did God command Noah to do? -God commanded Noah to build a boat. -Why did God command Noah to build a boat?

-Because God was going to send a flood to destroy all of life on the earth. -God gave many commands to Noah about how to build the boat.

Let's read Genesis 6:15-21

15-God said to Noah: "This is how you are to build it: The ark is to be 450 feet long, 75 feet wide, and 45 feet high.

16-Make a roof for it and finish the ark to within 18 inches of the top. Put a door in the side of the ark and make lower, middle, and upper decks.

17-I am going to bring flood waters on the earth to destroy all life under the heavens, every creature that has the breath of life in it. Everything on earth will perish.

18-But I will establish my covenant with you, and you will enter the ark--you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you.

19-You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you.

20-Two of every kind of bird, of every kind of animal, and of every kind of creature that moves along the ground will come to you to be kept alive.

21-You are to take every kind of food that is to be eaten and store it away as food for you and for them."

-God commanded Noah to build the boat at an exact length.

-God commanded Noah to build the boat at an exact width. -God commanded Noah to build the boat at an exact height.

-Did God want Noah to build the boat according to Noah's way? -No.

-God did not want Noah to build the boat according to Noah's way.

-How did God want Noah to build the boat?

-Exactly as God commanded.

-God wanted Noah to build the boat exactly as God commanded.

-God wanted Noah to build the boat according to God's way alone.

-Adam and Eve's clothes had to be made according to God's way alone.

-Cain and Abel's sacrifice had to be made according to God's way alone.

-Noah's boat also had to be made according to God's way alone.

-How many boats did God command Noah to build? -Only one.

-There was only one boat in which Noah would be saved.

-There was no other boat in which Noah would be saved.

-How many doors did God command Noah to build into the boat? -Only one.

-There was only one door into which Noah would enter and be saved.

-There was no other door into which Noah would enter and be saved.

-Do you think that Noah obeyed God?

Let's read Genesis 6:22

22-Noah did everything just as God had commanded him.

-Noah believed God.

-Noah believed that God does not lie.

-Noah believed that God would send a flood just like God said.

-Therefore, Noah built the boat exactly like God said.

-Even though Noah had never seen rain before, what did Noah believe?

-That God would send a flood.

-Even though no one on earth had ever seen rain before, what did Noah believe?

-That God would send a flood.

-What did Noah do while he was building the boat?

-As Noah was building the boat, he told the people to listen to God.

-As Noah was building the boat, he told the people to believe in God.

-As Noah was building the boat, he told the people that God was going to send a flood to destroy the earth.

-Just like I am telling you about God, Noah also told the people about God. -Do you think that the people listened to Noah?

-We will find out in the next lesson.