

I. Pray

1. Pray for insight and understanding.

II. Observation

- 1. Read Genesis 6 and 7 multiple times slowly.
- 2. Identify key themes, words, and phrases.
- 3. Mark repeated phrases and important details.
 - A. Genesis 6:1-4: "sons of God," "daughters of men," "beautiful," "took wives," "forever," "flesh," "120 years," "giants."
 - B. Genesis 6:5-7: "wickedness," "intent of the thoughts," "only evil," "sorry," "grieved."
 - C. Genesis 6:8-10: "Noah," "found favor," "just," "perfect," "walked with God."



- D. Genesis 6:11-22: "corrupt," "violence," "destroy," "covenant," "ark," "bring floodwaters."
- E. Genesis 7:1-10: "enter the ark," "righteous," "obeyed," "clean animals," "flood."
- F. Genesis 7:11-16: "all flesh," "male and female," "God commanded."
- G. Genesis 7:17-24: "forty days," "waters increased," "cover the earth," "all flesh died," "God remembered Noah."
- 4. Ask the "5 Ws and an H" (Who, What, When, Where, Why, How).
 - A. Who are the main characters? (God, Noah, Noah's family, the "sons of God," and the "daughters of men").



- B. What events are happening? (Corruption of humanity, divine judgment, Noah's obedience, the flood).
- C. When do these events occur? (Before and during the Flood, over the span of 40 days and nights).
- D. Where do these events take place? (On earth, Noah's Ark).
- E. Why does God decide to bring a flood? (Due to the widespread wickedness and violence).
- F. How does Noah find favor with God? (By being righteous, walking with God, and obeying His commands).



II. Interpretation

1. Contextual Study:

A. Historical Context: Understanding the time before the Flood, the moral decay, and life spans of early humanity.

B. Literary Context: Genesis as part of the Pentateuch, its focus on early history and God's covenants.

2. Cross-Referencing:

A. Genesis 6:1-4: 2 Corinthians 6:14-18 (Concerning unequally yoked relationships).

B. Genesis 6:5-6: 1 John 4:8 (Love), Exodus 20:5 (Jealousy), Psalm 78:21 (Anger).



C. Genesis 6:8-9: Habakkuk 2:4, Romans 1:17, Galatians 3:11 (The just living by faith).

D. Genesis 7:1: Hebrews 11:7 (Noah's faith and obedience).

E. Genesis 7:13-16: Matthew 7:1-5 (Judgement).

3. Defining Key Terms:

A. "Sons of God" and "Daughters of men" – Discuss various interpretive views.

B. "Corrupt" and "Violence" – Moral decay in humanity. Look into Hebrew meanings if possible.



- 4. Summarize the Main Points:
 - A. The increasing wickedness of humanity and divine regret.
 - B. Noah's character and the establishment of God's covenant.
 - C. God's specific instructions to Noah and Noah's obedience.
 - D. Detailed narrative of the Flood and God's judgment.



III. Application

1. Personal Reflection:

A. Identify areas where you might be "unequally yoked" in relationships or practices.

B. Reflect on personal obedience to God's commands and areas needing growth.

2. Questions for Personal Application:

A. How am I walking with God daily as Noah did?

B. Are there areas of my life where I prioritize my value systems over God's?



C. In what ways can I demonstrate faith and obedience in my current circumstances?

3. Practical Steps

A. Establishing regular times for prayer and Bible reading.

B. Seeking accountability partners for spiritual growth.

C. Consciously removing practices or influences that lead to corruption and violence in your life.

4. Memory Verse:

A. Genesis 6:8 – "But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord."



B. Numbers 6:24-26 – "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace."

IV. Practice and Discussion

1. Group Discussion:

A. Share insights from the observation and interpretation phases.

B. Discuss the application questions and practical steps the Lord has spoken to you about.

C. Encourage one another in areas of trusting and obedience to the Lord and His leading.



2. Journaling:

A. Write down your reflections and areas the Lord has spoken to you about based on the study.

B. Revisit the insights periodically, and look at the growth the Lord has done in your life by simply trusting in Him and His desired work in your life.

3. Prayer:

- A. Pray for God's guidance in aligning your value systems with His.
- B. Ask for strength in all areas.
- C. Pray for one another in the study group.