

GENESIS CHAPTER 9

¹ And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and have dominion over it. ² And the dread and the fear of you shall be upon all the wild beasts of the earth, on all the birds of the sky, and on all things moving upon the earth, and upon all the fish of the sea, I have placed them under your power. ³ And every living reptile shall be to you for food, I have given all things to you as the green herbs. ⁴ But flesh with its lifeblood you shall not eat. ⁵ For your lifeblood shall I require at the hand of all wild beasts, and I shall require a man's life at the hand of his fellow man. ⁶ He that sheds man's blood, instead of that blood shall his own be shed, for in the image of God I made man. ⁷ But as for you, be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and have dominion over it."

⁸ And God spoke to Noah, and to his sons with him, saying, ⁹ "Behold, I establish My covenant with you, and with your seed after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature with you, of birds and of beasts, and with all the wild beasts of the earth, as many as are with you, of all that came out of the ark. ¹¹ And I will establish My covenant with you: never again shall all flesh die by the water of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood of water to destroy all the earth."

¹² And the Lord God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant which I set between Me and you, and between every living creature which is with you for all generations: ¹³ I set My rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. ¹⁴ And it shall be when I gather clouds upon the earth, that My rainbow shall be seen in the cloud. ¹⁵ And I shall remember My covenant, which is between Me and you, and between every living soul in all flesh, and there shall no longer be water for a deluge, so as to blot out all flesh. ¹⁶ And My rainbow shall be in the cloud, and I will look at it and remember the everlasting covenant between Me and the earth, and between every living soul in all flesh, which is upon the earth." ¹⁷ And God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant, which I have made between Me and all flesh, which is upon the earth."

¹⁸ Now the sons of Noah which came out of the ark were Shem, Ham, and Japheth. And Ham was the father of Canaan. ¹⁹ These three are the sons of Noah, of these were men scattered over all the earth.

²⁰ And Noah began to be a farmer, and he planted a vineyard. ²¹ And he drank of the wine, and was drunk, and was naked in his house. ²² And Ham the father of Canaan saw the nakedness of his father, and he went out and told his two brothers outside. ²³ And Shem and Japheth, having taken a garment, put it on both their backs and went backwards, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their face *was* backward, and they did not see the nakedness of their father.

²⁴ And Noah recovered from the wine, and knew all that his younger son had done to him. ²⁵ And he said, Cursed be the servant Canaan, a slave shall he be to his brothers. ²⁶ And he said, Blessed be the Lord God of Shem, and Canaan shall be his servant. ²⁷ May God make room for Japheth, and let him dwell in the habitations of Shem, and let Canaan be his servant.

²⁸ And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years. ²⁹ And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years, and he died.