

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF NOAH (PART ONE)

“He called his name Noab” – Genesis 5:29

A LITTLE ON HIS LINEAGE

Noah's lineage contained some famous names. His grandfather Methuselah lived longer than anyone else recorded in Scripture. Methuselah's father, Noah's great-grandfather, Enoch, famously walked with God and was then taken by him or translated, as the New Testament says. Jude 14 also mentions that Enoch was the seventh from Adam.

TENTH FROM ADAM

Enoch's great-grandson Noah was in the tenth generation from Adam. The number ten in Scripture symbolizes law, responsibility and completeness of order. A few examples of this include:

- God said – This phrase appears ten times in the Genesis Chapter One account of creation
- Ten Commandments – God's Law given to Moses
- Ten Plagues – Ended Pharaoh's determination to hold the Jews as slaves

There are numerous other examples, but we will leave it there.

COMPLETENESS

We can see this idea of completeness in the tenth generation from Adam, which came during Noah's time. Scripture tells us that man's rebellion against God reached an apex. *"God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually"* (Genesis 6:5). This reality evoked this terrifying reaction in the Almighty, *"And it repented the Lord that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him at his heart"* (Genesis 6:6). In the popular vernacular we might say He was done. He announced how done He was, saying, *"I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth..."* (Genesis 6:7). Man's time seemed to be over.

THAT SPECIAL DAY

I wonder what Noah, a man Scripture describes as just, perfect in His generation, and like his great-grandfather Enoch, walking with God, was doing when he heard God's chilling words: *"The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and behold, I will destroy them with the earth"* (Genesis 6:13). Further information about the devastating flood to come, must have filled him with sorrow, terror or both. But then came the message that changed his life completely: God was establishing a covenant with him and his family that would allow them to escape the destruction to come. What a day that was, from the lowest low to the highest high. Noah was gifted this life-saving opportunity because he found Grace in the Eyes of the Lord (Genesis 6:8). Every believer traveling the road of faith still does so through Grace. Remember that today Child of God, Child of Grace. And rest in that favor.