God's Judgment and His Mercy

Genesis 7:1-24
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- THE BIG IDEA God pronounces judgment on sin, and He graciously offers mercy and forgiveness. However, that offer of grace has an expiration date that is unknown to us. We must not ignore His offer and delay our salvation until it is too late.

Genesis 7:11–24 (ESV)

11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the
seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great
deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened. 12 And
rain fell upon the earth forty days and forty nights. 13 On the very same
day Noah and his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah's wife
and the three wives of his sons with them entered the ark, 14 they and
every beast, according to its kind, and all the livestock according to their
kinds, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, according to its
kind, and every bird, according to its kind, every winged creature. 15 They
went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was
the breath of life. 16 And those that entered, male and female of all flesh,
went in as God had commanded him. And the Lord shut him in.

17 The flood continued forty days on the earth. The waters increased and
bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. 18 The waters prevailed
and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the face of the
waters. 19 And the waters prevailed so mightily on the earth that all the
high mountains under the whole heaven were covered. 20 The waters
prevailed above the mountains, covering them fifteen cubits deep. 21 And
all flesh died that moved on the earth, birds, livestock, beasts, all
swarming creatures that swarm on the earth, and all mankind. 22
Everything on the dry land in whose nostrils was the breath of life died. 23
He blotted out every living thing that was on the face of the ground, man
and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens. They were
blotted out from the earth. Only Noah was left, and those who were with
him in the ark. 24 And the waters prevailed on the earth 150 days.

Preparation for the Flood (7:1-5)

- Includes a command.
- Includes new details.

The Escape from the Flood (7:6-16)

- ☐ God preserves Noah and his family.
- ☐ God preserves land creatures and flying creatures.
- ☐ God shut them in.

The Sources and the Beginning of the Flood (7:11-12, 17-24)

"The fountains of the great deep burst forth."

"The windows of the heavens were opened."

The waters rose for 150 days.

The Lessons from the Flood (1 Peter 3:20-22; 2 Peter 2:4, 9-10)

- God righteously judges sin.
- God provides the way of escaping judgment.
- God is patient, but His patience has a limit.

38 For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking,
marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the
ark, 39 and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all
away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Matthew 24:38–39 (ESV)

Helpful websites:

Answers in Genesis	answersingenesis.org
Creation Research Society	creationresearch.org
Associates for Biblical Research	biblearchaeology.org
Is Genesis History?	isgenesishistory.org
The Institute for Creation Research	icr.org