LESSON 13

Noah's Sons and Future Blessing

Genesis 9:18-29



A Time for **Assembly**: *Introduction* to gather together through ice breaker. (about 10 minutes)

For Starting Communication:

Give a brief observation of worsening immorality in media and society.



A Time for **Adoration**: *Inspiration* to worship God through invocation, thanksgiving, and reading Scripture. (about 25 minutes)

Suggested Songs:

"Refiner's Fire" (Brian Doerksen)
"Open the Eyes of My Heart" (Psalm 119:8 Paul Baloche 1997
Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

Scripture Reading: Genesis 9:18-29

GENESIS: GRACE FROM THE BEGINNING



A Time for **Admonition**: *Instruction* to communicate one's investigation of the story (content), interpretation based on the setting (context), and integration of the two for the spiritual truth (concept). *(about 50 minutes)*

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| 1. | Up to this point, Noah's character has been one of exemplary righteousness (6:9 "blameless", "righteous"). What sign of weakness does Noah show a while after God's demonstration of wrath over man's sinfulness (9:20-21)? |
| 2. | What is the nature of Ham's offense against his father (9:21-23) |
| 3. | What was Noah's curse to Ham (9:21-23)? |
| 4. | What was Noah's blessing to Shem and Japheth (23-27)? |
| 5. | What did Noah prophecy that God will bless Shem and Japheth (9:27)? Read Deuteronomy 28:7-9. |

LESSON THIRTEEN

6. What correspondence between God's curse and blessing can we see?

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A Time for **Accountability**: *Invitation* to apply the implication of the Scripture (connect), implementation of a specific action (condúct), and intercession for the saints/seekers (concern). (about 35 minutes)

- 1. What activities that we deem as "harmless" indiscretions can bring about serious bad consequences?
- 2. What specific acts of honoring our parents can we do?
- 3. How can the group pray for you? Share now your personal needs or concerns with your accountability and prayer partners. These may include attitudes that need to be changed and specific actions to be done in obedience to God's Word. As you intercede for each other ("saints"), pray also for others outside the group who need to know Jesus ("seekers").

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