二〇一三年夏季訓練

創世記結晶讀經 (一) 第十一篇

挪亞---能改變時代的生活與工作

讀經: 創六 5 ~ 22 , 十 13 、 16 , 來十一 7

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- 二 『但挪亞在耶和華眼前蒙恩』—創六 8:
- 1當撒但盡力把局面破壞之後,總有一些人在神眼前 蒙恩,成爲轉移那時代的人——參但一 8,九 23,十 11 \ 19 \
- 2 創世記的記載,主要的目的不是要表明墮落,乃是要表明 神的恩典能爲墮落的人作那麼多;恩典乃是神自己,神的 同在,給我們享受,作我們的一切,並在我們裏面、藉着 我們、且爲着我們作一切;恩典是神臨到我們,作我們的 生命供應、力量和一切—約-14、16~17, 8-21:
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2013 Summer Training

Crystallization-Study of GENESIS (1) Message Eleven

Noah—the Life and Work That Can Change the Age

Scripture Reading: Gen. 6:5-22; 7:13, 16; Heb. 11:7

Outline

- 壹挪亞的生活是一個改變時代的生活─ I. Noah's life was a life that changed the age—Phil. 1:19-21a:
 - A. God showed Noah the true situation of the corrupt age in which he lived—Gen. 6:3, 5, 11, 13; Matt. 24:37-39; 2 Tim. 3:1-5.
 - B. "But Noah found favor [grace] in the sight of Jehovah"—Gen. 6:8:
 - 1. When Satan has done his best to damage the situation, there have always been some who found grace in the eyes of God to become ones who turned the age cf. Dan. 1:8; 9:23; 10:11, 19.
 - 2. The main purpose of the record of Genesis is not to show the fall but to show how much God's grace can do for fallen people; grace is God Himself, the presence of God, enjoyed by us to be everything to us and to do everything in us, through us, and for us; grace is God coming to us to be our life supply, our strength, and our everything—John 1:14, 16-17; Rev. 22:21:
 - a. The enjoyment of the Lord as grace is with those who love Him—Eph. 6:24; John 21:15-17.

- b主耶穌基督的恩典作爲三一神全備的供應,是我們藉着操練我們人的靈所享受的—來十29下,加六18,腓四23,門25,提後四22。
- c 神的話是恩典的話—徒二十32, 西三16, 參耶 十五16。
- d 我們在一的立場上與聖徒一同聚集,就經歷經過過程的三一神作生命的恩典—詩一三三 3,彼前三 7, 徒四 33,十一 23。
- e 我們在苦難和試煉中,能經歷主作我們加增並全豐全足的恩典—林後十二 9。
- f 我們需要在主恩典的能力裏爲主勞苦——林前十五 10、58、三10、12上。
- g 我們需要作神諸般恩典的好管家—彼前四 10, 弗三 2, 林後一 15, 弗四 29。
- h 乃是靠着恩典的能力, 恩典的力量, 以及恩典的生命, 我們才能與神並與彼此都是對的; 恩典產生義—來十一 7, 羅五 17、21。

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三 挪亞就像他的曾祖父以諾(創五 22 ~ 24) 一樣,因信與神同行(六9,來十一7),這信就是神的神聖元素傳輸並注入到他裏面,成爲他相信的能力(羅三 22);結果,他成爲承受神義的人(參四 3 · 9),並傳揚義的人(彼後二5),對抗那邪惡的世代;挪亞的義加強了神的立場,來執行祂對那不敬虔世代的審判。

- b. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ as the bountiful supply of the Triune God is enjoyed by us through the exercise of our human spirit—Heb. 10:29b; Gal. 6:18; Phil. 4:23; Philem. 25; 2 Tim. 4:22.
- c. God's word is the word of grace—Acts 20:32; Col. 3:16; cf. Jer. 15:16.
- d. We experience the processed Triune God as the grace of life in meeting with the saints on the ground of oneness—Psa. 133:3; 1 Pet. 3:7; Acts 4:33; 11:23.
- e. We can experience the Lord as our increasing and all-sufficient grace in the midst of sufferings and trials—2 Cor. 12:9.
- f. We need to labor for the Lord in the power of His grace—1 Cor. 15:10, 58; 3:10, 12a.
- g. We need to be good stewards of the varied grace of God—1 Pet. 4:10; Eph. 3:2; 2 Cor. 1:15; Eph. 4:29.
- h. By the power of grace, the strength of grace, and the life of grace, we can be right with God and with one another; grace produces righteousness—Heb. 11:7; Rom. 5:17, 21.

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C. Like his great-grandfather Enoch (Gen. 5:22-24), Noah walked with God by faith (6:9; Heb. 11:7), which was God's divine element transfused and infused into him to be his believing ability (Rom. 3:22); as a result, he became heir of God's righteousness (cf. 4:3, 9) and a herald of righteousness (2 Pet. 2:5) as a protest against the evil generation; Noah's righteousness strengthened God's standing to execute His judgment upon that ungodly generation.

- 四 挪亞所建造的方舟,豫表實際、現今的基督作爲神的救恩;建造方舟就是在我們的經歷中,建造作爲神救恩之實際、現今的基督,爲着建造基督的身體這團體的基督;按照腓立比書,這乃是作成我們自己的救恩——二 12 ~ 13:
- 1 建造方舟就是作成我們自己的救恩,也就是在我們的經歷中建造基督,爲着建造基督的身體,就是團體的基督。
- 2 挪亞所作、所進入的,乃是神的救恩,就是方舟; 我們應當有一位實際、現今的基督作爲神的救恩, 是我們可以進入的。

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- 3 腓立比二章十二節的救恩,不是指救我們脫離神的定罪和火湖的永遠救恩,乃是指每天、常時的救恩,就是基督這活的人位;雖然我們有了永遠的救恩,但我們還需要進一步蒙拯救,脫離彎曲悖謬的世代—15 節。
- 4 我們今天乃是在神救恩的通道上;我們已經進入這通道,而我們經過這通道,就是作成我們自己的救恩:
- a 挪亞越建造方舟,就越通過神的救恩;最後他進入 他所作成的工—創七7。
- b 我們今天在經歷中正在建造的基督,要成爲我們將來的救恩;有一天在神主宰的權柄下,我們要進入我們所建造的基督裏面。
- c 甚至今天,我們若在經歷中建造基督,就能住在基督裏面,定居在基督裏面—約十五5:
- 1) 在我們的經歷中建造基督,就是要愛主,藉着呼

- D. The ark that Noah built is a type of the practical and present Christ as God's salvation, and to build the ark is to build up the practical and present Christ as God's salvation in our experience for the building up of the Body of Christ as the corporate Christ; according to Philippians, this is to work out our own salvation—2:12-13:
- 1. To build the ark is to work out our own salvation, which is to build up Christ in our experience for the building up of the Body of Christ, the corporate Christ.
- 2. What Noah worked on and entered into was God's salvation, the ark; we should have a practical and present Christ into whom we can enter as God's salvation.

- 3. The salvation in Philippians 2:12 is not eternal salvation from God's condemnation and from the lake of fire but the daily and constant salvation that is Christ as a living person; although we have eternal salvation, we need further salvation from the crooked and perverted generation—v. 15.
- 4. Today we are in the passage of God's salvation; we have entered into this passage, and our going through this passage is our working out our own salvation:
- a. The more Noah built the ark, the more he passed through God's salvation, and eventually, he entered into what he worked out—Gen. 7:7.
- b. The very Christ whom we are building up in our experience today will become our future salvation; one day, under God's sovereignty we will enter into the very Christ whom we have built up.
- c. Even today, if we build up Christ in our experience, we will be able to abide in Christ, to dwell in Christ—John 15:5:
- 1) To build up Christ in our experience is to love the Lord, to talk to Him by

求祂的名與祂交談,與祂交通,天天並且時時憑祂活着並與祂同行,成爲與神同行者,而使我們成爲與神同工者—創五 22 ~ 24,六9。

- 2) 這樣,我們就在經歷中將基督建造起來,使我們 能進入祂裏面,以祂爲我們的救恩。
- 5 腓立比書全部四章都說到基督包羅萬有的活人位, 作爲我們的救恩:
- a 在腓立比一章·救恩乃是在任何境遇裏活基督並顯 大基督。
- b在腓立比二章,救恩乃是藉着表明生命的話而返照基督。
- c 在腓立比三章,救恩乃是神的義,就是化身於基督 裏的神自己。
- d 在腓立比四章,救恩乃是基督自己作爲一種真實、 莊重、公義、純潔、可愛、有美名、且滿了德行與 稱讚的生活。

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- 贰挪亞的工作是一個改變時代的工作— 林後六1,太十六18,林前三12上:
- 一 神給挪亞的是包羅萬有的啓示,更進一步的 啓示,建造方舟的啓示,就是神要結束這敗 壞的世代,而帶進一個新時代的路;挪亞不 是憑自己的想像建造方舟,乃是完全因着信 照着神的啓示和神的指示—創六 15 上,來 十一 6 ~ 7,參出二五 9,代上二八 11 ~

- calling on His name, and to fellowship with Him, living by Him and walking together with Him day after day and hour after hour to be a "co- walker" with God so that we can be a coworker with God—Gen. 5:22-24; 6:9.
- 2) Then we build up Christ in our experience so that we can enter into Him as our salvation.
- 5. All four chapters of Philippians refer to the all-inclusive, living person of Christ as our salvation:
- a. In Philippians 1 salvation is to live Christ and magnify Christ in any circumstance.
- b. In Philippians 2 salvation is to reflect Christ by holding forth the word of life.
- c. In Philippians 3 salvation is the righteousness of God, that is, God Himself embodied in Christ.
- d. In Philippians 4 salvation is Christ Himself as the life that is true, digni fied, righteous, pure, lovely, well spoken of, and full of virtue and praise.

- II. Noah's work was a work that changed the age—2 Cor. 6:1; Matt. 16:18; 1 Cor. 3:12a:
- A. God gave Noah an all-inclusive revelation, a further revelation, the revelation to build the ark, which was the way that God would terminate the corrupted generation and bring in a new age; Noah built the ark not according to his own imagination but absolutely according to God's revelation and divine instructions by faith—Gen. 6:15a; Heb. 11:6-7; cf. Exo. 25:9; 1 Chron. 28:11-19; 1 Cor. 3:10-12;

19, 林前三 10~12, 弗二 20 上:

- 1 方舟是基督的豫表,不僅豫表個人的基督,也豫表團體的基督,召會,就是基督的身體和新人,要終極完成於新耶路撒冷—彼前三 20 ~ 21,太十六 18,林前十二 12,弗二 15 ~ 16,西三 10 ~ 11, 格二 2。
- 2 方舟的建造豫表團體基督的建造,是藉着與神同工的人,以基督之豐富的元素爲材料建造的—林前三9~12 上,弗四12,三22。
- 3 這建造就是把基督作到人裏面,憑基督將人建造在一起,成爲神在肉體的顯現—提前三 15 ~ 16,林 前三 9 上、10、12 上,羅十一 36。
- 二 挪亞藉着建造並進入方舟,不僅從神用洪水 對邪惡世代的審判蒙拯救,也從那世代分別 出來,而被引進新的時代—創六 5 ~ 22。
- 三 照樣,我們藉着建造召會並進入召會生活,也要從神用大災難對今天邪惡世代的審判蒙拯救,並要從那世代分別出來,而被引進新的時代,就是千年國時代—來十一 7,太二四 37 ~ 39,路十七 26 ~ 27,二一 36,啓三 10。
- 四 方舟的長是三百肘,寬是五十肘,高是三十肘(創六 15);三和五乃是神建造的基本數字(參出二七),表徵三一神藉着祂的神聖分賜與人調和(林後十三 14,弗四 4~6)。

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Eph. 2:20a:

- 1. The ark is a type of Christ—not only the individual Christ but also the corporate Christ, the church, which is the Body of Christ and the new man to consummate in the New Jerusalem—1 Pet. 3:20-21; Matt. 16:18; 1 Cor. 12:12; Eph. 2:15-16; Col. 3:10-11; Rev. 21:2.
- 2. The building of the ark typifies the building of the corporate Christ, with the element of Christ's riches as the building material, by those who work together with God—1 Cor. 3:9-12a; Eph. 4:12; 2:22.
- 3. This building is the working of Christ into people to build them together by Christ so that they may become God's manifestation in the flesh—1 Tim. 3:15-16; 1 Cor. 3:9a, 10, 12a; Rom. 11:36.
- B. By building the ark and entering into it, Noah was not only saved from God's judgment on the evil generation through the flood but was also separated from that generation and ushered into a new age—Gen. 6:5-22.
- C. Likewise, by building the church and entering into the church life, we will be saved from God's judgment on today's evil generation through the great tribulation and will be separated from that generation to be ushered into a new age, the age of the millennium Heb. 11:7; Matt. 24:37-39; Luke 17:26-27; 21:36; Rev. 3:10.
- D. The length of the ark was three hundred cubits, the width fifty cubits, and the height thirty cubits (Gen. 6:15); the basic numbers in God's building are three and five (cf. Exo. 27), which signify the mingling of the Triune God with man through His divine dispensing (2 Cor. 13:14; Eph. 4:4-6).

五 方舟有上、中、下三層—創六 16:

- 1 帳幕的三部分表徵我們都必須進入的深度;方舟的三層表徵我們都必須達到的高度。
- 2 方舟的三層表徵三一神;靈把我們帶到子,子再把 我們帶到父;當我們來到父面前,我們就進到第三 層—路十五4~7、8~10、18~23,弗二18。
- 3 我們需要進入與我們的三一神最深、最高的親密裏,好使祂能帶我們到『第三層』,把祂的奧祕、祕密和寶藏給我們看—林前二9,林後二10,出三三11。

六 在方舟裏有一個朝天而開的透光處—創六 16:

- 1 透光處,原文與『正午』同字根;這意思是說,當 我們在透光處之下,在窗下,我們就是在正午,滿 了光—參箴四 18。
- 2 正如在方舟裏,窗、就是透光處,只有一個,在神的建造裏,藉着一個職事,也只有一扇窗,一個啓示,一個異象—徒二六19,加一6~9,提前一3~4,參王下二2、9、13~15。

调六

- 七 進入方舟只有一個門,一個入口;這一個門 乃是基督—創七13、16,約十9:
- 1挪亞進入方舟,豫表我們進入基督—三16,加三27。
- 2 我們一旦信入主耶穌,就被神『關』在基督裏,無法從祂裏面出來—參約十 28 ~ 29,詩一三九 7 ~ 12。
- 八 方舟是用歌斐木造的,歌斐木是一種柏樹,這

- *E.* The ark was of three stories: the lower, the second, and the third—Gen. 6:16:
- 1. The three sections of the tabernacle signify the depths into which we all must enter; the three stories of the ark signify the height to which we all must attain.
- 2. The three stories of the ark signify the Triune God; the Spirit brings us to the Son, and the Son brings us to the Father; when we come to the Father, we are in the third story—Luke 15:4-7, 8-10, 18-23; Eph. 2:18.
- 3. We need to enter into the deepest and highest intimacy with our Triune God so that He can bring us to the "third story" to show us His mysteries, secrets, and hidden treasures—1 Cor. 2:9; 2 Cor. 2:10; Exo. 33:11.
- F. In the ark there was one opening toward the heavens for light—Gen. 6:16:
- 1. The Hebrew word for opening has the same root as the word for noon; this means that when we are under the opening, the window, we are in the noontime and are full of light—cf. Prov. 4:18.
- 2. Just as there was only one window, one opening, in the ark, there is only one window, one revelation, and one vision through one ministry in God's building—Acts 26:19; Gal. 1:6-9; 1 Tim. 1:3-4; cf. 2 Kings 2:2, 9, 13-15.

- G. There was only one door, one entrance, into the ark; this one door is Christ—Gen. 7:13. 16: John 10:9:
- 1. Noah's entering into the ark is a type of our entering into Christ—3:16; Gal. 3:27.
- 2. Once we believe into the Lord Jesus, we are "shut in" by God with no way to get out of Him—cf. John 10:28-29; Psa. 139:7-12.
- H. The ark was made of gopher wood, a kind of cypress, a resinous wood

- 種多樹脂的木材能抵擋水侵;這表徵釘十字架 的基督能抵擋死水—創六 14, 徒二 24。
- 九 方舟內外塗上松香,松香豫表基督救贖的血,裹外遮蓋神的建造—創六 14,來九 14,出十二 13:
- 1 『松香』的原文與『遮罪』同字根,意思是遮蓋; 挪亞和他家人藉着方舟上的松香,從洪水的審判得 救,表徵在基督裏的信徒藉着基督救贖的血,從神 的審判得救—羅五 9。
- 2 甚麼時候我們看到血,我們就有平安;甚麼時候神看到血,祂就滿足;甚麼時候撒但看到血,他就無法攻擊; 甚麼時候天使看到血,他們就歡呼——啓十二 11。
- 十 挪亞所經過的水,是受浸之水的表號—彼前 三 20 ~ 21:
- 1 方舟上的松香表徵基督的血,拯救挪亞脫離洪水的審判,而洪水的水,表徵受浸的水,不僅審判世界,也將挪亞從這邪惡的世代分別出來—出十四 26 ~ 30,徒二 40 ~ 41。
- 2 洪水怎樣拯救挪亞脫離老舊的生活,進入新的境地,受浸的水也照樣拯救我們脫離我們所承受虛妄的生活,進入在基督裏復活的生活—羅六3~5。

- that can withstand the attack of water; this is a figure of the crucified Christ, who can withstand the waters of death—Gen. 6:14; Acts 2:24.
- I. The ark was covered within and without with pitch, a type of the redeeming blood of Christ, which covers God's building within and without—Gen. 6:14; Heb. 9:14; Exo. 12:13:
- 1. The Hebrew word for pitch has the same root as the word for expiation, which means "to cover"; Noah and his family were saved from the judgment of the flood by the pitch upon the ark, signifying that the believers in Christ are saved from God's judgment by the redeeming blood of Christ—Rom. 5:9.
- 2. Whenever we look at the blood, we have peace; whenever God looks at the blood, He is satisfied; whenever Satan looks at the blood, he is unable to attack; whenever the angels look at the blood, they rejoice—Rev. 12:11.
- J. The water through which Noah passed is a figure of the water of baptism—1 Pet. 3:20-21:
- 1. The pitch on the ark, signifying the blood of Christ, saved Noah from the judgment of the flood, whereas the water of the flood, signifying the water of baptism, not only judged the world but also separated Noah from the evil age—Exo. 14:26-30; Acts 2:40-41.
- 2. The water of the flood delivered Noah out of the old manner of life into a new environment; in like manner, the water of baptism delivers us out of the inherited vain manner of life into a manner of life in resurrection in Christ—Rom. 6:3-5.

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晨興餧養

創六 7~9『耶和華說,我要將所創造的人,...都 從地上除滅,因為我後悔造了他們。但挪亞在 耶和華眼前蒙恩。挪亞的後代記在下面。挪亞 是個義人,在當時的世代是個完全人;挪亞與 神同行。』

創世記這卷書中所描繪的墮落乃是背景,為要襯托出一幅非常積極的圖畫,表明神對於墮落的人所作的。 創世記的記載,主要的目的不是要表明墮落,乃是要 表明神的恩典能為墮落的人作那麼多。墮落是個黑色 的背景,幫助我們看到白色的圖畫。...在三章我們看到 人第一次的墮落,並神為墮落的人類所作的。在四章 我們看到人第二次的墮落,並神為墮落的人進一步所 作的。...〔現在,〕我們來看因着人第三次的墮落,神 作了些甚麼(創世記生命讀經,四五三頁)。

挪亞能在那彎曲、悖謬、淫亂的世代與神同行 (六9),是因他得了恩典(參來四16)。恩 典是神臨到我們,作我們的生命供應、力量和一 切(見林前十五10註1)。這樣的恩典使挪亞 勝過肉體,並過義的生活(結十四14,參羅五 17~21與註)(聖經恢復本,創六8註2)。

信息選讀

當神在創世記一章初次看人的時候, 祂既快樂 又喜悅〔31〕。當神在六章再次看人的時候, 祂 看見人已經邪惡敗壞到了極點, 就為着造了人而 憂傷。從一章到這裏, 有何等的改變! 人原初是 在那麼高的水平上, 但從三章開始, 人一直往下 墮落。如果你是神, 你會怎麼作? 也許你會說, 『算了吧。』但神永遠的目的怎麼辦? 神豈不是

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Morning Nourishment

Gen. 6:7-9 "And Jehovah said, I will blot out the man whom I have created from the surface of the ground...for I repent that I have made them. But Noah found favor in the sight of Jehovah. These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generations; and Noah walked with God."

The falls portrayed in the book of Genesis are the background of a very positive picture which shows what God has done with the fallen human race. The main purpose of the record of Genesis is not to show the fall, but to show how much God's grace can do for fallen people. The fall is a black background which helps us see a white picture....In Genesis 3 we saw man's first fall and what God did for fallen mankind. In Genesis 4 we saw man's second fall and something further which God did for the fallen people....We shall see what God did as a result of man's third fall. (Life-study of Genesis, p. 373)

Noah was able to walk with God (Gen. 6:9) in that crooked, perverted, and adulterous generation because he found grace (cf. Heb. 4:16). Grace is God coming to us to be our life supply, our strength, and our everything (see footnote 1 on 1 Cor. 15:10). Such grace enabled Noah to overcome the flesh and to live a righteous life (Ezek. 14:14; cf. Rom. 5:17-21 and footnotes). (Gen. 6:8, footnote 2)

Today's Reading

When God had His first look at mankind in Genesis 1, He was happy and pleased with man [v. 31]. When God had another look at man in Genesis 6, He saw that man had become wicked and corrupt to the uttermost, and it grieved Him that He had made man. What a change from Genesis 1! Originally, man was on such a high level, but, beginning at chapter 3, he descended lower and lower. What would you have done if you had been God? Perhaps you would have said, "Forget about it." But what about God's

永遠的神?永遠的神能改變麼?神不是短暫的神,乃是永遠的神,在祂並沒有轉動的影兒(雅一17)。祂作了決定,就永遠立定。如果神忘了祂永遠的目的,祂的仇敵會譏笑祂說,『你想要創造人來擊敗我,但是你沒有擊敗我,反被我擊敗了。』神會被擊敗麼?絕對不會!那麼神應該怎麼作?答案就在創世記六章八節:『但挪亞在耶和華眼前蒙恩。』

這是創世記這卷書中最重大的經節之一。撒 但很樂意聽到,神要把人從地上除滅,但挪亞 卻在耶和華眼前蒙恩。這轉變了局面,改變了 時代。阿利路亞,神沒有被擊敗!在表面的失 敗中,藉着一個在耶和華眼前蒙恩的人得勝了。 這是個轉捩點。如果你配着聖經讀一讀歷史,你 會看見在每一個時代,當撒但盡力把局面破壞到 極點之後,總有一個人或少數人在神眼前蒙恩, 成為改變那時代的人。你們記得以色列人的歷 史,雖然他們一再墮落,墮落到底,但是出來了 一個少年人,使仇敵大大的驚訝,這人名叫但以 理。但以理一章八節說,『但以理卻立定心意, 不以王的膳和王所飲的酒玷污自己。』這裏說, 『但以理卻…。』創世記六章八節說,『但挪 亞...。』在人墮落到底的時候,總有一個『卻』 或『但』。

如果我們看挪亞的生活,我們會看見這不僅是 與神同行,或建造方舟的事。基本且重要的點乃 是,神用挪亞改變了時代。仇敵將局面弄得壞到 極點,甚至神後悔造了人。看來好像沒有希望了。 但挪亞蒙了恩典,挪亞的生活是改變時代的生活 (創世記生命讀經,四七一至四七二頁)。

參讀:創世記生命讀經,第二十八至二十九篇。

eternal purpose? Is not God the eternal God? Can the eternal God change? God is not a temporary God, but an eternal God. In Him there is no shadow of change (James 1:17). Once He makes a decision, it stands for eternity. If God had forgotten His eternal purpose, His enemy would have laughed at Him, saying, "You intended to create man to defeat me, but instead of You defeating me, I have defeated You." Will God be defeated? Never! Then what should God do? The answer, the same in principle throughout the centuries, is found in Genesis 6:8: "But Noah found favor in the sight of Jehovah."

This is one of the greatest verses in the book of Genesis. Satan was glad to hear that God was going to destroy man from the face of the earth, but Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord. That turned the situation and changed the age. Hallelujah, God was not defeated! In the midst of apparent defeat, there was victory through a man who found grace in the eyes of the Lord. That was the turning point. If you read history along with the Bible, you will see that in every generation, when Satan has done his best to damage the situation to the uttermost, there has always been one man or a few people who found grace in the eyes of God and who became the ones who turned the age. Remember the history of Israel. Although they degraded lower and lower until they reached the bottom, there was, much to the surprise of the enemy, a young man named Daniel. Daniel 1:8 says, "But Daniel set his heart not to defile himself with the king's choice provision and with the wine that the king drank." There in the book of Daniel it says, "But Daniel"; here in Genesis 6:8 it says, "But Noah." At the bottom of man's fall, there is always a "but."

If we look at Noah's life, we shall see that it was not simply a matter of walking with God or of building the ark. The basic and crucial point is that God used Noah to change the age. The enemy had driven the situation to the bottom, and even God repented that He had made man. There seemed to be no hope. But Noah found grace. Noah's life was a life that changed the age. (Life-study of Genesis, pp. 388-389)

Further Reading: Life-study of Genesis, msgs. 28-29

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晨興餧養

來十一7『挪亞因着信,既蒙神指示他未見的事, 就為虔敬所動,豫備了一隻方舟,使他全家得 救,藉此就定了那世界的罪,並且承受了那照 着信而得的義。』

信不是從我們自己產生出來的。信乃是神的一些東西傳輸到我們裏面。我們越多摸神的施恩座,越多仰望主,就越被祂所是的一切傳輸並注入到我們裏面,祂所注入到我們裏面的神聖元素就成了我們的信。當你摸施恩座並且被神傳輸的時候,你就會自然的相信神恩座並且被神傳輸的時候,你就會自然的相信神惠。不需要你努力去信祂。神的成分一旦注入到您不完實力,從你裏面就有一種東西湧出來要相信祂。…你知道如何信,也不能信。然而,你若簡單的來到施恩座前,瞻仰祂,接觸祂,得恩典,仍就要被信心的神所注入。祂要在你裏面替你相信,也要成為你的信(創世記生命讀經,四五九至四六〇頁)。

信息選讀

挪亞就像他的曾祖父以諾(創五22~24)一樣,因信與神同行(來十一7),這信就是神的神聖元素傳輸並注入到他裏面,成為他相信的能力(羅三22與註)。結果,他成為承受神義的人(參四3、9),並成為傳揚義的人(彼後二5),對抗那邪惡的世代。挪亞的義加強了神的立場,來執行祂對那不敬虔世代的審判(聖經恢復本,創六9註1)。

挪亞是以諾的延續,他不僅與神同行(創 六9),並且更進一步照着神的拯救與神同工 (14)。...神要為祂的見證建造方舟。神不直接、

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Morning Nourishment

Heb. 11:7 "By faith Noah, having been divinely instructed concerning things not yet seen and being moved by pious fear, prepared an ark for the salvation of his house, through which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith."

Faith is not something produced out from ourselves. Faith is something of God that is transfused into our being. The more we touch the throne of God and the more we look to the Lord, the more we are transfused and infused with all that He is. When He is transfused and infused into our being, His very divine element infused within us becomes our faith. When you touch the throne of grace and are transfused with God, you will believe in God spontaneously. There is no need for you to strive to believe in Him. Once God's element has been infused into you, something within you springs up to believe in Him....We do not know how to believe, and we cannot believe. However, if you simply come to the throne of grace, looking unto Him, touching Him, and finding grace, you will be infused with the believing God. He will believe in and for you. He will be your faith. (Lifestudy of Genesis, p. 378)

Today's Reading

Like his great-grandfather Enoch (Gen. 5:22-24), Noah walked with God by faith (Heb. 11:7), which was God's divine element transfused and infused into him to be his believing ability (Rom. 3:22 and footnote). As a result, he became heir of God's righteousness (cf. Rom. 4:3, 9) and a herald of righteousness (2 Pet. 2:5) as a protest against the evil generation. Noah's righteousness strengthened God's standing to execute His judgment upon that ungodly generation. (Gen. 6:9, footnote 1)

As a continuation of Enoch, Noah not only walked with God (Gen. 6:9), but went further and worked with God according to God's salvation (Gen. 6:14)....God wants to build up the ark for His testimony. He would not do it

單獨來作, 祂只藉着與祂同工的一班人建造方舟。與神同工的人必須是與神同行的人。你如果不與神同行, 就絕不能與神同工。你們在建造地方召會麼? 那太好了! 但你們必須與神同行。

挪亞建造的方舟不是歷史上基督的豫表,乃是 現今基督的豫表。...我們正在建造一位實際、現 今的基督,不僅成為我們自己的拯救,也成為別 人的拯救。眾地方召會正為着其他許多人的救恩 建造方舟,因為我們如今與神有共同的權益。

神施行祂的經綸,好將祂自己分賜到祂所有的 子民裏面。神聖的性情至少有一點點分賜到亞當 裏面,分賜到亞伯裏面的更多,分賜到以挪士和 以諾裏面的又多一些。分賜到挪亞裏面的是更大 的一分,使他能成為神的同工,能與神有共同的 權益。你豈不是今日的挪亞麼?你必須說,是的。 為甚麼?因為你先是墮落了,後來蒙了救贖,又 被带回來歸給神。今天你呼求祂的名,你也與祂 同行,與祂同工。今天你的權益是甚麼?我有把 握你裏面深處確信,今天你與神有共同的權益。 你的權益就是神的權益,所以,除了召會生活 以外,你不去管許多雜事。你愛召會生活,因為 神為着召會,召會是神的權益。你與神是一,所 以祂的權益就是你的權益。這表示你是今日的挪 亞。末了, 挪亞同他全家人進入方舟, 就是他為 着神並同着神所作成的(七7),好蒙保守脫離 死水的審判。我們今天也應當跟隨同樣的腳蹤, 不僅與神同工,並且要進到我們同着神並為着神 所作成的工作裏面,好叫我們享受實際、現今的 基督,並且蒙保守脫離死亡的審判(神聖三一的 神聖分賜,一九至二一頁)。

参讀:神聖三一的神聖分賜,第二章;撒母耳記生命讀經,第三十篇。

by Himself directly. He would only build up the ark through the persons who are His co-workers. The co-workers of God must be co-walkers. If you do not walk with God, you can never work with God. Are you building up the local church? That is wonderful! But you have to walk with God.

The ark built by Noah was a type, not of a historical Christ, but of a present Christ....We are building up a practical and present Christ to be a salvation, not only to ourselves, but also to others. The local churches are building up the ark for the salvation of so many others, because we are now in a common interest with God.

God carries out His dispensation that He might be dispensed into all His people. At least a little bit of the divine nature was dispensed into Adam. More was dispensed into Abel. Still more was dispensed into Enosh and into Enoch. A greater portion was dispensed into Noah so that he could become a co-worker of God. He could have a common interest with God. Are you not today's Noah? You have to say, Yes! Why? Because first you got fallen, and then you got redeemed. Then you got brought back to God, and today you are calling on His name. You also are walking with Him and working with Him. What is your interest today? I have the assurance that deep within you there is the conviction that your interest today is common with God. Your interest is just God's interest. This is why you would forget about so many other things except the church life. You love the church life because God is for the church, and the church is God's interest. You are one with God, so His interest is your interest. This means you are today's Noah. Eventually Noah with his entire family entered into the ark, entered into what he had worked for God and with God (Gen. 7:7) to be kept away from the judgment of death-water. Today we should follow the same steps, not only to work with God, but to enter into what we have worked with God and for God, that we may enjoy the practical and present Christ and be kept away from the judgment of death. (The Divine Dispensing of the Divine Trinity, pp. 21-23)

Further Reading: The Divine Dispensing of the Divine Trinity, ch. 2; Lifestudy of 1 & 2 Samuel, msg. 30

第十一週.週三

晨興餧養

腓二 12 『這樣,我親愛的,你們既是常順從的,不但 我與你們同在的時候,就是我如今不在的時候,更 是順從的,就當恐懼戰兢,作成你們自己的救恩。』

創七**7**『挪亞就同他的兒子、妻子和兒媳,都進入方舟,躲避洪水。』

今天我們已經得救了,但我們還需要建造基督。挪亞開始建造方舟以前就已經得救了。如果他還沒有得救,神怎麼會囑咐他與神同工?到了神來囑咐挪亞造方舟的時候,他已經與神同行,在那個時代他在神眼中乃是義人(創六9)。... 他既然得救了,為甚麼還需要造方舟?因為他需要進一步蒙拯救脫離敗壞的世界。

保羅在腓立比二章十二節告訴我們,我們需要順從,恐懼戰兢的作成我們自己的救恩。我們雖然得救了,但我們還需要作成我們的救恩。神的救恩不是那麼短缺、簡短或簡單。神的救恩持續一段過程。我們必須進到神的救恩裏,通過全程,從神救恩的這一頭達到另一頭(神聖三一的神聖分賜,二七至二八頁)。

信息選讀

我們今天乃是在神救恩的通道上。我們已經進入這個通道裏,現在我們正在經過這個通道,我們的通過就是作成。…〔挪亞〕越建造方舟,就越通過神的救恩。最後他進入他所作成的工(創七7)。親愛的聖徒,你們正在建造的基督,要成為你們將來的救恩。有一天在神主宰的權柄下,你要進入你所建造的基督裏面。

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Morning Nourishment

Phil. 2:12 "So then, my beloved, even as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only but now much rather in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling."

Gen. 7:7 "And Noah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him went into the ark because of the waters of the flood."

Today we are saved. But we still need to work on Christ. Noah also was saved before he began working on the ark. If he were not saved, how could he have been charged to work together with God? By the time God came and charged Noah to build the ark, he was already walking with God and in the eyes of God was a righteous man in that age (Gen. 6:9)....Since he was already saved, why did he need to build the ark? He needed further salvation from the corrupted world.

Paul told us in Philippians 2:12 that we need to be obedient and to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling. Although we have been saved, we still need to work out our salvation. God's salvation is not so short or so brief or so simple. God's salvation has a long span. We have to enter into God's salvation and to go through from one end of God's salvation to the other end. (The Divine Dispensing of the Divine Trinity, p. 28)

Today's Reading

Today we are in the passage of God's salvation. We have entered into this passage. Now we are going through this passage, and our going through is our working....The more [Noah] built the ark, the more he passed through God's salvation. Eventually he entered into what he worked out (Gen. 7:7). Dear saints, the very Christ you are building up will become your future salvation. One day under God's sovereignty you will enter into the very Christ whom you have built up.

你如果在每天的經歷中與主同工,你必定會建造 一些出乎基督的東西,至終你就進入你所建造的裏 面,住在這位作你享受的基督裏面。這樣,你就定居 在基督裏面了。許多基督徒知道約翰十五章說到住在 基督裏面,但是沒有多少基督徒知道住在基督裏面 的意義。你首先需要建造基督。你如果不建造基督, 就沒有基督可以住進去。這話從道理上說也許很奇 怪,但從經歷上說卻是對的。你有基督,但你住在基 督裏麼?我們也許道理上有基督,但經歷上卻沒有基 督可以住進去。只有道理上的基督並沒有甚麼意義, 你必須在經歷上有基督。你要得着基督只要信入祂就 彀了,但要住在基督裏就需要一些建造。你必須建 造基督,好讓你住在祂裏面。建造基督是甚麼意思? 你憑着自己的經歷就可以曉得。你必須愛祂,呼求祂 的名,與祂交談,並憑祂活着。你必須經過亞當、亞 伯、以挪士、以諾等人的一切經歷,然後你必須成為 挪亞,這樣你纔會有一些建造。

你如果從週一到週六都愛主,與祂交通,憑祂活着,與祂同行,到了主日你必定會深深的感覺到你是在基督裏。你會有一位實際、現今的基督,在祂裏面。但是另一面,你如果從週看一個人工,不在祂裏面,你知事也不與祂同行,即使你今天想住在祂裏面,如為一個人工,即使你今天想住在祂裏面,你沒有建造方,也不過這週裏,你沒有建造方舟。所以當洪水來的時候,不可以進入,時時刻刻與祂同行,你就在你的經歷中建造一位基督,使你可以進入其中,作為你的救恩。我們都需要建造基督(神聖三一的神聖分賜,二八至三〇頁)。

參讀:神聖三一的神聖分賜·第三章;生命的經歷與長大·第十三至十四篇。

If you work together with the Lord in your daily experience, you surely build up something of Christ, and eventually you get into what you have built up, and you dwell in this Christ as your enjoyment. Then you abide in Christ. Many Christians realize that John 15 speaks of abiding in Christ, but not many know what it means to abide in Christ. First you need to build up Christ. If you do not build up Christ, you have no Christ to abide in. Doctrinally this may sound strange, but experientially it is right. You have Christ, but do you abide in Christ? We may have Christ in doctrine and yet have no Christ in experience to abide in. Just to have Christ in doctrine means nothing. You need to have Christ in your experience. Just to believe in Christ is sufficient for you to have Him. But to abide in Christ needs some building up. You have to build up Christ for you to abide in Him. What does it mean to build up Christ? By your experience you know. You have to love Him. You have to talk to Him by calling on His name. You have to live by Him. You have to pass through all the experiences of Adam and Abel and Enosh and Enoch, and then you have to come to be Noah. Then you will have something built up.

If you spend from Monday through Saturday loving the Lord, fellowshipping with Him, living by Him, and walking together with Him, surely on the Lord's Day you would have the deep sensation that you are in Christ. You would have a practical and present Christ for you to abide in. But if, on the other hand, you spent from Monday through Saturday not loving the Lord and not fellowshipping with Him, not living in Him, and not walking with Him, even if you wanted to abide in Him today, you would feel that He is absent. In your experience He is not with you....This would mean that for the past week you did not build Christ. You did not work on the ark. So when the flood came, you had no ark to enter into. But when you love Him and fellowship with Him and live by Him and walk with Him day after day and hour after hour, you build Him up in your experience. You build up a Christ in your experience for you to enter into as your salvation. We all need to build up Christ. (The Divine Dispensing of the Divine Trinity, pp. 28-30)

Further Reading: The Divine Dispensing of the Divine Trinity, ch. 3; The Experience and Growth in Life, msgs. 13-14

晨興餧養

三十財。』

彼前三20~21『...從前在挪亞豫備方舟的日子,... 那進入方舟,藉着水安全得救的不多,只有八 個人。這水所豫表的浸,現在藉着耶穌基督復 活,也拯救你們...。』

方舟是基督的豫表(彼前三 20~21),不僅豫表個 人的基督,也豫表團體的基督,召會,就是基督的身體 和新人(林前十二12,弗二15~16,西三10~11)。 方舟的建造豫表團體基督的建造,是藉着與神同工的 人,以基督之豐富的元素為材料建造的(林前三 9~12 上,林後六1,弗三8~10,四12)。挪亞藉着建造並 進入方舟,不僅從神用洪水對邪惡世代的審判蒙拯救, 也從那世代分別出來,而被引進新的時代(彼前三20 與註 3)。照樣,我們藉着建造召會並進入召會生活, 也要從神用大災難(太二四37~39,路十七26~27, 帖前五3)對今天邪惡世代的審判蒙拯救,並要從那世 代分別出來(路二一36, 啓三10), 而被引進新的時 代,就是千年國時代(聖經恢復本,創六14註2)。

信息選請

神給挪亞的幾乎是包羅萬有的啓示。...以諾雖然 豫言,當他的兒子瑪土撒拉死的時候,洪水要來,... 神的審判要臨到這敗壞的地;他甚至豫言到主的來 臨(猶14);但以諾從來沒有看見過神要結束這 敗壞的世代,而帶進一個新時代之路的異象。...有 一天神臨到挪亞,將這異象啓示給挪亞。結果挪亞 對敬虔事物的眼界大得開闊,他比一切的先祖們看 見得更多更廣。...我們都需要有這樣的啓示。

Morning Nourishment

創六 15 『『方舟…要長三百肘,寬五十肘,高 Gen. 6:15 "...The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits."

> 1 Pet. 3:20-21 "...In the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared; entering into which, a few, that is, eight souls, were brought safely through by water. Which water, as the antitype, also now saves you, that is, baptism..."

> The ark is a type of Christ (1 Pet. 3:20-21), not only the individual Christ but also the corporate Christ, the church, which is the Body of Christ and the new man (1 Cor. 12:12; Eph. 2:15-16; Col. 3:10-11). The building of the ark typifies the building of the corporate Christ, with the element of Christ's riches as the building material, by those who work together with God (1 Cor. 3:9-12a; 2 Cor. 6:1; Eph. 3:8-10; 4:12). By building the ark and entering into it, Noah was not only saved from God's judgment on the evil generation through the flood, but was also separated from that generation and ushered into a new age (1 Pet. 3:20 and footnote 3). Likewise, by building the church and entering into the church life, we will be saved from God's judgment on today's evil generation through the great tribulation (Matt. 24:37-39; Luke 17:26-27; 1 Thes. 5:3) and will be separated from that generation (Luke 21:36; Rev. 3:10) and ushered into a new age, the age of the millennium. (Gen. 6:14, footnote 1)

Today's Reading

God gave Noah what was nearly an all-inclusive revelation....Although Enoch prophesied that when his son Methuselah died the deluge would come...and that God's judgment would be executed upon the corrupted earth, and although he even prophesied about the Lord's coming (Jude 14), Enoch never received the vision of the way that God would terminate the corrupted generation and bring in a new age....One day, God came to Noah and revealed it to him. As a result of this, Noah's view of godly things was greatly broadened, and he saw much more than all his forefathers did....We all need such a revelation.

原則上,我們的情形與挪亞的情形完全一樣。今天的世代是敗壞的,地上充滿了邪惡和強暴。照着人的觀念,神似乎已被擊敗,且被趕離這地。…從第一世紀到現今,…我們承繼了已往歷世紀所實行一切敬虔的路。那我們該不該停在這裏?…神的目的如何?…神需要一隻方舟,可以將祂的子民從這世代帶出來,並開始一個新的時代。…我們不能照我們的想像來建造方舟。我們必須像挪亞一樣,接受關於神需要方舟的啓示。

方舟有三層(創六16)。因全高是三十肘〔15〕,所以每層必是十肘高。這些尺寸都很有意思。

在聖經裏,三這個數字首先是表徵三一神—父神、子神和靈神(太二八19)。…〔特別〕指明分賜的神,就是將祂自己分賜到人裏面的神。當聖經說到神與人調和,神進到人裏面,或神分賜到人裏面,總是用到神聖的三一。例如林後十三章十四節:『願主耶穌基督的恩,神的愛,聖靈的交通,與你們眾人同在。』…這是三一神在分賜的過程裏,將祂自己作到我們裏面,並帶我們進入祂一切的豐富裏。

五這數字…〔就像〕你每隻手上的五個手指,是四加一組成的。…大拇指是一,代表那獨一的創造者神。四是神造物的數字,就如四活物(啓四6)。因此,四加一的意思是神的造物——人,加上神。…神的建造就是將祂自己建造到我們裏面,並將我們建造到祂裏面,使祂與我們成為一,我們與祂成為一。所以方舟的基本數字三和五,乃是表徵這建造是神與人的調和(創世記生命讀經,四七七至四七八、四八七至四八八、四九一至四九二頁)。

參讀:真理課程二級卷二,第十六至十七課。

In principle, our situation is exactly the same as Noah's. Today's generation is corrupt, and the earth is filled with evil and violence. It seems that, according to man's concept, God has been defeated and driven out of the earth....From the first century of the Christian era until the present...we have inherited all the godly ways that were exercised in the past centuries. But should we stop here?...How about God's purpose?...He needs an ark that can bring His people out of this generation and start a new age....We cannot build the ark by our imagination. Like Noah, we must receive a revelation concerning God's need of the ark.

The ark had three stories (Gen. 6:16). Since the height of the ark was thirty cubits [v. 15], each story must have been ten cubits high. These dimensions are very meaningful.

In the Bible the number three firstly signifies the Triune God—God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit (Matt. 28:19), [particularly in His dispensing of Himself into people]. Whenever the Bible speaks of God mingling with man, of God entering into man, or of God being dispensed into man, it always uses the matter of the Trinity. Consider, for example, 2 Corinthians 13:14: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all."...[This] is the Triune God in the process of dispensing, of getting Himself into us, and of bringing us into all His riches.

The number five...[as illustrated by] the five fingers on each of your hands [is]...composed of four plus one....The thumb is number one, representing the one God as the Creator. Four is the number of God's creature, like the four living creatures (Rev. 4:6). Thus, four plus one means man, God's creature, plus God....God's building is simply to build Himself into us, and us into Him, making Him one with us and making us one with Him. So, in the ark, the basic numbers of three and five signify that this building is the mingling of God and man. (Life-study of Genesis, pp. 392-393, 399-400, 402-403)

Further Reading: Truth Lessons—Level Two, vol. 2, lsns. 16-17

晨興餧養

創六 16『方舟頂上要造一個透光處·高一肘; 方舟的門要開在旁邊;方舟要分上、中、下三 層。』

弗二 18 『因為藉着祂,我們兩下在一位靈裏,得 以進到父面前。』

方舟有上、中、下三層(創六16)。這三層 表明方舟的高度。帳幕的三部分表徵我們都必須 進入的深度。方舟的三層表徵我們必須達到的高 度。一面說,我們越過越深;另一面說,我們越 過越高。無疑的,方舟的三層表徵三一神。對於 神格的三一,我們常說父、子、靈。那麼方舟的 第一層是指神聖三一的那一位?第二層是指那 一位很容易說,因為我們都知道子是在三者的中 間。但第一層是指父神,還是靈神?在路加十五 章我們看見三個比喻:牧人尋回迷羊,婦人找到 失去的銀幣,父親接納回家的浪子。第一個比喻 說到子,第二個說到靈,第三個說到父。按我們 的經歷,靈先臨到我們,找到我們,把我們帶到 子前,並感動我們相信子。我們相信子之後,就 呼喊:『父啊!』靈把我們帶到子,子再把我們 帶到父。當我們來到父面前,我們就進到第三層 (創世記生命讀經,四九三至四九四頁)。

信息選讀

方舟的第一層是屬於靈。許多基督徒喜歡講論 所謂的靈浸和靈恩,但這些都是在第一層。我們 到靈那裏必須是為着認識子,基督。認識基督是 不同的,是更高的。有一天我們還要進到父那一 層去,那是最高、最大、最奧祕的。

Morning Nourishment

Gen. 6:16 "You shall make an opening for light for the ark, and you shall finish it up to a cubit from the top; and you shall put the entrance of the ark in its side; you shall make it with lower, second, and third stories."

Eph. 2:18 "For through Him we both have access in one Spirit unto the Father."

The first, second, and third stories signify the height of the ark [Gen. 6:16]. The three sections of the tabernacle signify the depths into which we all must enter. The three stories of the ark signify the height which we all must attain. In one sense we are getting deeper, and in another sense we are getting higher. Undoubtedly, the three stories of the ark signify the Triune God. In the Trinity of the Godhead, we always say, the Father, the Son, and the Spirit. Which person of the Trinity is the first story? It is easy to say who is the second, for we all know that the Son is in the middle. But is God the Father or God the Spirit the first story? In Luke 15 we find three parables: the shepherd recovering the lost sheep, the woman seeking and finding the lost coin, and the father receiving the returned prodigal. The first parable concerns the Son, the second concerns the Spirit, and the third concerns the Father. According to our experience, the Spirit firstly came to us, found us, brought us to the Son, and inspired us to believe in the Son. After we believed in the Son, we called, "O Father." The Spirit brings us to the Son, and the Son brings us to the Father. When we come to the Father, we are in the third story. (Life-study of Genesis, p. 404)

Today's Reading

The first story of the ark is of the Spirit. Many Christians like to talk about the so-called baptism in the Holy Spirit and about the charismatic things, but this is all in the first story. We all must go to the Spirit in order to know the Son, Christ. To know Christ is different; it is higher. Someday we shall all reach the story of the Father. This is the highest, greatest, and most mysterious.

假定我有一棟三層的樓房。你如果不是我特別的朋友,我只會讓你進第一層,不會讓你上第 二層。你若是我的好朋友,我會讓你上第二層。 但除非你與我非常親密,我絕不會帶你到第三層 去,把我的奧祕、祕密和寶藏給你看。

假定你現在已經在方舟裏,你願意留在第一層, 第二層,還是第三層?我絕對相信,挪亞和妻子, 兒子和兒媳,都是在第三層。…我能向你們作見 證,我已經過了第一層,我要上得更高、更高。

接着我們來看關於光的事。在方舟上有一扇朝天而開的窗(透光處)(創六16)。那是天窗。『透光處』原文與『正午』同字根。這意思是說,當你在窗下,你就是在正午。你是在陽光下,滿了光。究竟你是在第一層,第二層,還是第三層,乃是從你所得光的程度得着證明。我曾見過許多熱心的基督徒,他們可說相當火熱,但他們並不太在光中。我也遇見過另外一些親愛的聖徒,他們和人相處就叫人覺得每一樣東西都很清楚。我曾多次和倪弟兄在一起。無論何時人坐在他面前,一切的黑暗就消除了,每一樣事情都清楚了。在他的面前就是在正午。…你的光越多,你的層次就越高;你的光越少,你就越低。

在方舟上只有一扇窗。...窗只有一個,光只有一道。使徒保羅告訴我們,必須棄絕與他所傳講所教導不同的教訓(加一6~9,羅十六17,提前一3)。在神的經綸和神的召會中只該有一扇窗。光不該從東、南、西、北各方來,只該從天上來。在神的建造中只有一扇窗,一個啓示,一個異象。光是從上頭來的(創世記生命讀經,四九四至四九六頁)。

參讀:創世記生命讀經,第三十篇。

Suppose I have a residence of three stories. If you are not my special friend, I would only admit you into the first story. I would not allow you into the second. If you are my good friend, I would admit you into the second story. However, unless you are so intimately related to me, I would never bring you into the third story to show you some of my mysteries, secrets, and hidden treasures.

Suppose that you are now in the ark. Would you prefer to stay in the first, second, or third story? I have no doubt that Noah, his sons, and daughters-in-law were in the third story....I can testify to you that I have passed the first story. I want to go higher and higher.

Following this, we come to the matter of light. In the ark there was one window toward the heavens (Gen. 6:16). That was the skylight. The Hebrew word for window, [or opening,] has the same root as the word for noon. This means that when you are under the window, you are in the noontime. You are in the sunshine and are full of light. Whether you are in the first, second, or third story is proved by the degree of light that you have. I have seen a good number of fervent Christians. In a sense they were on fire, but they were not so much in the light. I have also met some other dear saints whose presence made everything clear....Whenever a person sat down with [Brother Nee], all of his darkness vanished, and everything became clear. In his presence it was noontime....The more light you have, the higher you are, and the less light you have, the lower you are.

There was only one window in the ark....There is only one window and only one light. The apostle Paul said that we must reject the doctrines different from what he preached and taught (Gal. 1:6-9; Rom. 16:17; 1 Tim. 1:3). In God's economy and in God's church there should be only one window. The light should not come from the north, south, east, or west, but from the sky. In the building of God, there is only one window, one revelation, and one vision. The light comes from above. (Life-study of Genesis, pp. 405-406)

Further Reading: Life-study of Genesis, msg. 30

第十一週.週六

晨興餧養

創六 14『你要用歌斐木造一隻方舟,裏面要有隔間,方舟內外要塗上松香。』

16~17『...方舟的門要開在旁邊;...我要使洪水 氾濫在地上,毀滅天下一切有血肉、有氣息的; 凡在地上的無一不死。』

方舟只有一個門,開在旁邊(創六 16)。從來沒有一個人是從天上落到方舟裏,我們都是從旁邊進入的。只有一個門、一條路進入方舟。...在方舟上只有一個窗口讓光進來,並且只有一個門讓眾人進來。我們眾人,包括使徒保羅,都從這同一個門進入。這門就是基督(創世記生命讀經,四九六頁)。

信息選讀

方舟是用歌斐木造的(創六 14)。歌斐木是…一種柏樹,飽含樹脂;這種多樹脂的木材,能耐水。…歌斐木能抵擋洪水的侵襲。…柏樹豫表釘十字架的基督。釘十字架的基督能抵擋死水。祂嘗了死味,而死對祂毫無辦法。方舟是用歌斐木造的,它經過了洪水,雖受洪水一再衝擊,卻沒有受到傷損。這表徵基督是那釘十字架的一位,祂是堅實的。基督是真歌斐木,…死亡的洪水不能傷害祂。

基督不僅是釘十字架的一位,也是流血遮蓋 我們,使我們免受罪的刑罰的一位。所以,方 舟內外要塗上松香(14)。本節『松香』與舊 約他處『遮罪』這二辭的字根,主要的意思是 遮蓋。見證櫃上的蓋,或稱施恩座,也出於這 同一字根。這說出我們在基督裏有完全的遮蓋。

« WEEK 11 — DAY 6 »

Morning Nourishment

Gen. 6:14 "Make yourself an ark of gopher wood; you shall make rooms in the ark and shall cover it within and without with pitch."

16-17 "...You shall put the entrance of the ark in its side;...And now I am about to bring a flood of water upon the earth to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which is the breath of life; everything that is on the earth shall die."

The ark had one door, [or entrance,] on the side (Gen. 6:16). No one has ever dropped into the ark from the heavens. We all came in through the side. There is only one door, one way, to get in....In the ark there is one opening for the light and one entrance for all to get in. We all, including the apostle Paul, came through the same door. The door is Christ. (Life-study of Genesis, p. 406)

Today's Reading

The ark was made of gopher wood (Gen. 6:14)..., [which] is a cypress, full of resin; it is a kind of resinous wood. It can stand the attack of water.... Gopher wood was able to withstand the attack of the flood water.... Cypress is a figure of the crucified Christ. The crucified Christ can withstand the waters of death. He tasted death, and death could do nothing to Him. The ark made of gopher wood passed through the flood, and the flood attacked it again and again, but no damage was incurred. This signifies the solidness of Christ as the crucified One. Christ is the real gopher wood.... The flood waters of death cannot damage Him.

Christ is not only the crucified One, but also the One who shed His blood to cover us from the penalty of our sins. So, the ark was pitched within and without with pitch (6:14). The Hebrew word for pitch has the same root as the Hebrew word for atonement [or expiation]. The main meaning of this Hebrew root is "to cover." The word for the cover of the Ark of the Testimony, the mercy seat, also comes from this same root. This means that

我們都在祂救贖的遮蓋下。死不能傷害祂,所以定罪和審判不能臨到我們,因為我們在基督 救贖的遮蓋下。

松香豫表基督救贖的血,裏外遮蓋神的建造…。當洪水侵襲方舟時,在方舟裏的人也許非常害怕。…方舟裏面的松香是為着他們的平安。方舟外面的松香是為着神的滿足,也是為着撒但和天使。這是一幅血的圖畫。甚麼時候我們看到血,我們就有平安。甚麼時候神看到血,他就無法攻擊。甚麼時候天使看到血,他們就歡呼。

藉水得救是一件受浸的事。彼前三章二十至 二十一節啓示,挪亞所經過的水是受浸的豫表, 也可以當作是聖經中頭一次提到的受浸。所以這 是受浸的種子。這粒受浸的種子首先在以色列人 過紅海這事例中得着發展。...經過紅海的水,是 用水受浸一個清楚的豫表〔參林前十1~2〕。然 後,當新約時代來到,開啟這時代的第一件事就 是用水施浸。神差遣施浸者約翰來完成這事。

毫無疑問的, 挪亞是在神的定罪之下。他也是在他所生活的那世代中, 邪惡的權勢之下。挪亞造了一隻方舟,內外都塗上松香。松香豫表救贖的血。這樣, 挪亞就藉着方舟上的松香, 蒙拯救脫離神的審判。

是甚麼拯救挪亞脫離邪惡的世代?是神所差遣審判那邪惡世界的洪水。那審判的洪水把挪亞從那世代分別出來。...那審判世界的水,拯救挪亞脫離邪惡的世代。因着神完全救恩的兩面,挪亞蒙拯救脫離神的定罪,也蒙拯救脫離邪惡的世代(創世記生命讀經,四九六至四九七、五〇三至五〇四、五〇六頁)。

參讀:創世記生命讀經,第三十一篇;時代的 異象,第二至三篇。 in Christ we have the full covering. We all are covered with His redemption. Death cannot damage Him, and so no condemnation or judgment can reach us, because we are under the covering of Christ's redemption.

The pitch signifies the redeeming of Christ, which covers God's building within and without....Perhaps when the flood was attacking the ark, the people within were frightened....The pitch inside the ark was for their peace. The pitch outside the ark was for God's satisfaction. The covering of the pitch without was also for Satan and the angels. This is a picture of the blood. Whenever we look at the blood, we have peace. Whenever God looks at the blood, He is satisfied. Whenever Satan looks at the blood, he is unable to attack. Whenever the angels look at the blood, they rejoice.

To be saved through water is a matter of baptism. First Peter 3:20-21 reveals that the water through which Noah passed was a figure of baptism. It may be considered as the first mention of baptism in the Bible. Thus, it was the seed of baptism. This seed of baptism was firstly developed in the case of the children of Israel passing through the Red Sea....The passing through the waters of the Red Sea was a clear type of the baptism with water [cf. 1 Cor. 10:1-2]. Later, when the New Testament age came, the first thing that transpired to open up this age was baptism with water. God sent John the Baptist to carry this out.

Undoubtedly Noah was under God's condemnation. He was also under the evil power of the age in which he lived. Noah built an ark which was pitched within and without with pitch. The pitch was a type of the redeeming blood. Thus, Noah was saved from God's judgment by the pitch upon the ark.

The flood sent by God was a judgment upon the evil world. That judging flood [saved and] separated Noah from that age....The water that judged the world saved Noah from that evil generation. As a result of the two aspects of God's full salvation, Noah was saved from God's condemnation as well as from that evil generation. (Life-study of Genesis, pp. 406-407, 412, 414-415)

Further Reading: Life-study of Genesis, msg. 31; The Vision of the Age, chs. 2-3

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獻上自己建造方舟

- 二 那時的世代墮落、彎曲、悖謬又廢朽, 地上的罪惡甚大,人心邪惡無可救; 但挪亞持守異象,抵擋放蕩的潮流, 不計較任何代價,建造見證的方舟。
- 三 當時也有多人說他們是在敬拜神, 他們事奉、獻祭,卻不能有分神救恩; 神所渴望建造,他們不恥、不願過問, 思念屬地之事,以致與惡者同浮沉。
- 四 一日,方舟建成,神將八人關入裏頭, 天上窗戶盡都敞開,大雨傾為不休; 水勢浩大,但方舟內挪亞安息無憂, 地雖淹沒,他卻漂浮其上,安全得救。
- 五 這方舟就是當代神在地得勝見證, 是一個團體的人,將神榮耀全顯明; 神也要我們同被建造,顯出祂豐盛, 使神顯現於肉體,在眾地方召會中。
- 六 儆醒!莫隨洪流浮沉而偏離神心意; 當讓耶穌的見證如火在我心燃起! 地方召會乃是方舟,將神見證無遺; 爲此我們獻上自己,現今世代遠離。

WEEK 11 — HYMN

Hymns, #1268

1

When Noah worked upon the ark as God to him decreed, So many others watched, yet to his words they gave no heed. But Noah heard the voice of God and did His word obey; His business was to build the ark; he couldn't waste a day. Now Jesus' testimony, we in the churches see, The ark of testimony built in each locality.

2

The generation at that time was evil and perverse;
The wickedness upon the earth was waxing worse and worse.
But Noah stood against the age and ne'er the vision lost.
The ark of testimony must be built at any cost.

4

One day the ark was finished and eight souls were led aboard. God shut the door and then the heavens opened and outpoured. It rained, but Noah took no thought for he was safe inside. When all the earth was flooded, he above it all did ride.

5

The ark was just God's testimony on the earth that time.

For God had found a corporate man through whom His light could shine.

He needed something built through which He'd fully be expressed,

And now it is the local church where God is manifest.

6

Be careful lest this age would lead you from God's heart's desire.
For Jesus' testimony must set all our hearts afire.
The local churches are the ark, God's testimony true.
For this we leave the age behind and give our hearts anew.

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