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THE BOOK OF BEGINNINGS – Genesis 6:9-22, Message 26

You will not have to go far to find someone who will scoff at the story of Noah and his \_\_\_\_\_. Most think it is absurd or a fairy tale at best. Sarcastic questions are often posed:

*“Do you really think a boat could hold all the species of animals?”*

*“How would you feed them for a whole year?”*

*“What man from that time would know how to construct something that big, especially without power tools?”*

*“How could rain cover the earth to the highest mountain top?”*

The world today thinks it is \_\_\_\_\_. However, none of these arguments are new—just think what they must have said to Noah and his family. As believers we are \_\_\_\_\_ limited by human reasoning. We have something that the world has rejected and with their rejection they have separated themselves from \_\_\_\_\_. Today as we read the story of Noah’s ark, we know it can be trusted for we have a \_\_\_\_\_ authority given to us from the designer of the ark!

## NOAH’S ARK

### 1. Noah’s testimony – verse 9

- Noah was a \_\_\_\_\_ man
  - And \_\_\_\_\_ in his generations
  - And Noah \_\_\_\_\_ with God

### 2. Noah’s sons – verse 10

- Shem, Ham, and Japheth
  - They are the fathers of all \_\_\_\_\_ primary races – Mongoloid, Negroid, Caucasoid

### 3. Noah’s surroundings – verses 11-12

- The earth was \_\_\_\_\_
  - The earth also was corrupt before God
  - The earth is filled with \_\_\_\_\_

4. Noah's notice – verse 13

- And God said to Noah...
  - The \_\_\_\_\_ of all flesh is come before me
  - For the earth is filled with \_\_\_\_\_ through them
  - And, behold, I will \_\_\_\_\_ them with the earth

5. Noah's ark – verses 14-21

- The building materials – verse 14
  - Gopher \_\_\_\_\_ -
  - \_\_\_\_\_ -
- The dimensions – verse 15
  - \_\_\_\_\_ cubits x \_\_\_\_\_ cubits x \_\_\_\_\_ cubits
  - Cubit = 18"-24"
  - Splitting the difference using 21" as a standard, the ark would measure approximately 525'L x 88'W x 53'H
- The design – verse 16
  - A \_\_\_\_\_ -
  - The \_\_\_\_\_ -
  - \_\_\_\_\_ stories -
- The purpose – verses 17-21
  - To \_\_\_\_\_ Noah and his family
  - To \_\_\_\_\_ every living creature
  - They all would \_\_\_\_\_ the earth and re-establish life on the planet – Genesis 9:1

*Note: Noah stocked the ark with food enough to survive the deluge – verse 21*

6. Noah's response – verse 22

- Noah \_\_\_\_\_ upon God's notice and \_\_\_\_\_ God's instructions
  - *Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.*