



CHAPTERS
9 - 11

GENESIS

DAY ONE

1. Please read the chapters twice before beginning the study guide. These are rich chapters with much we can glean.

Genesis 9:1 begins with the words “Then God blessed Noah and his sons . . .”

Are these the words you would like to have written about you and your family?

2. God is no respecter of persons. What was it about Noah that brought the blessings and favor of God?

Keep in mind, Noah went through the storm. It was a difficult and long year, but he was protected in the ark he had built in obedience.

3. What are some areas of obedience which align you and your family for the blessing and favor of God?

4. What is God most interested in seeing in our lives; how great and how often we sacrifice or how quickly and with what kind of a heart we obey Him?

It has been said that, if obedience is not instant, it is not obedience. Do you agree?

5. In verses 2-3 we see God established a new diet. What did their new diet consist of?

6. What was the only restriction in this new diet?

We will discuss this more in class, but you might want to read Leviticus 17:11-12.

7. The LORD establishes some very clear commands concerning the taking of a life. Specifically, what had God commanded?

8. Once again in Genesis 9:7 we read God’s command to populate the earth, “
Be _____ and increase in number; _____ on the earth and
_____ upon it.”

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9. God always fulfills his promises. Read Genesis 6:18, what had God promised Noah?

10. Read Genesis 9:9 God is faithful to carry out his promises. How much time had passed between the promise and its fulfillment?

Does knowing this about God’s faithfulness help you as you await the fulfillment of the things God has promised you?

It is important that we stand strong through the storms of life and trust that God is always faithful.

11. What was the beautiful sign given for all mankind to see and remember God’s promise? Why do you believe this sign was so important?

12. Draw a picture in the box that depicts the sign of God’s covenant.



13. Why is the rainbow such an important reminder, even to us today?

14. What should we do when we see one?

15. How might we use this as an opportunity to share the goodness of our God with others?

16. I wish the story of Noah had ended with verse 17 but it did not. Let's look at the events of Genesis 9:17-27 to learn from them. Noah planted and tended a vineyard. He then made wine and drank it. This was a very natural thing for Noah to do; he was a farmer (Genesis 9:20). The problem does not show up until verse 21 when Noah became drunk. God never sugar-coats the sins of his children. There is no excuse for this type of behavior; it leaves the door open for sin. Noah and his family may be enjoying a new beginning, but sin is still present. After Noah got drunk, something happened that brought about a curse from God. The curse was not on Ham for speaking of this event but on Canaan, Noah's grandson (Genesis 9:18). God's curse was on Canaan for something he chose to do while his grandfather was drunk. Ham was the father of Canaan. He obviously witnessed his son's actions. He should have been broken hearted over this sin and stopped it, but he did not. We read that he told his brothers. Shem and Japheth are commended because they turned their heads, so they did not look at their father's nakedness, but covered him. Read Romans 15:4 to see why God would have included this event in his story. The responsibility of parents is a very grave one. Are you careful not to allow sin in your life? We must never think the sin in our life does not affect those around us. Take a few minutes and talk to God. Ask him to search your heart for areas open to sin. Are you diligently caring for your children (and grandchildren, nieces, and nephews) praying for them?

Are you seeking to lead well?

17. The last few verses of Gen. 9 are a particularly sad part of the story of Noah and his family. Can you relate to his mountain top and his valley experiences in your walk of faith?

DAY THREE

18. Read 2 Peter 3:17; Galatians 6:1; Psalm 1:1-2; and James 1:21-22 on the Biblical Reference page. Then underline the steps we can take to faithfully follow God. Discuss ways to apply these truths when you get in your discussion group.

19. Next, we will be focusing our attention on Genesis 10-11. Some of you will thoroughly enjoy our time looking at the lists and genealogies and names you recognize from other events in God's word. Some of you will need to remind yourself that these chapters are important, and God wants to speak to us through them. God's Word needs no "filler," so let's dig in and uncover some of the reasons God added these genealogies. Would you say our creator is a God who likes details?

After reading the various listed names so far in Genesis, do you believe God cares about the individual as well as creation as a whole?

20. Genesis 10 begins by naming Noah's sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Let's read a few other verses to find the birth order of these men. Write out the facts you glean.

Genesis 9:23-24

Genesis 10:21

After looking at these verses what do you believe is their order of birth?

21. What might be assumed if all one read was Genesis 5:32; 6:10; 7:13. What might be the significance of their names recorded as they were in these three verses?

22. There seems to be much said about the man Nimrod in Genesis 10:8-9. What did you learn about him?

We might compare him with a world-famous athlete today. Everyone had heard of Nimrod. If he lived today, can you imagine the following of fans he would have on Instagram?

23. This paragraph and the first map have been taken from the Discover the Book Ministry website as a possible dispersion of the descendants of Noah. The second map was taken from BibleHistory.com website.

"In general, the Table shows the descendants of Japheth (10:2-5) migrating into Europe, those of Ham (10:6-20) southward into Africa, and those of Shem (10:22-32) remaining in western Asia. Although not certain, it seems probable that the Far East was later settled by certain groups from the Hamitic and Japhetic nations. In any event, there is certainly nothing in either Genesis 10 or Genesis 11 that has been disproved by archaeology. The Bible is clear in teaching that all present races and nations, tribes, and languages, have been derived from Noah's three sons and three daughters-in-law in the few thousand years since the great Flood."

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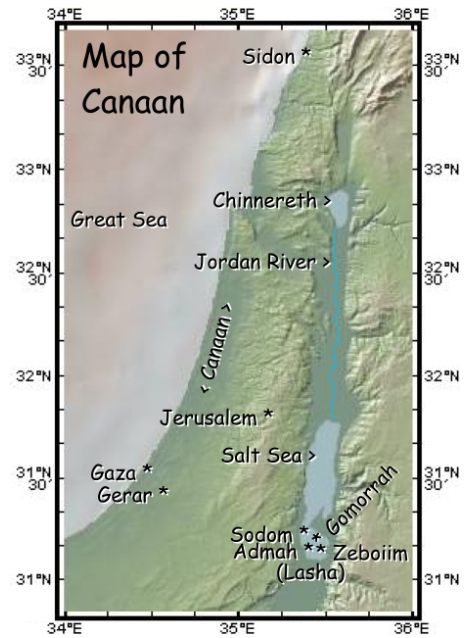
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24. When you read Genesis 10:15, was there a name you recognized from Genesis 9:25-27? If so, who was it?

One quick peek into the future for the descendants of this man; read Deuteronomy 7:1-6. What had they become?

25. One more Bible map, this one was copied from the Biblicalzionist.com website. It is important to try to locate the places from Genesis 10:19. (Sidon, Gerar, Gaza, Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah, Zeboyim, and Lasha) Some of these places no longer exist so their location is simply an educated guess.

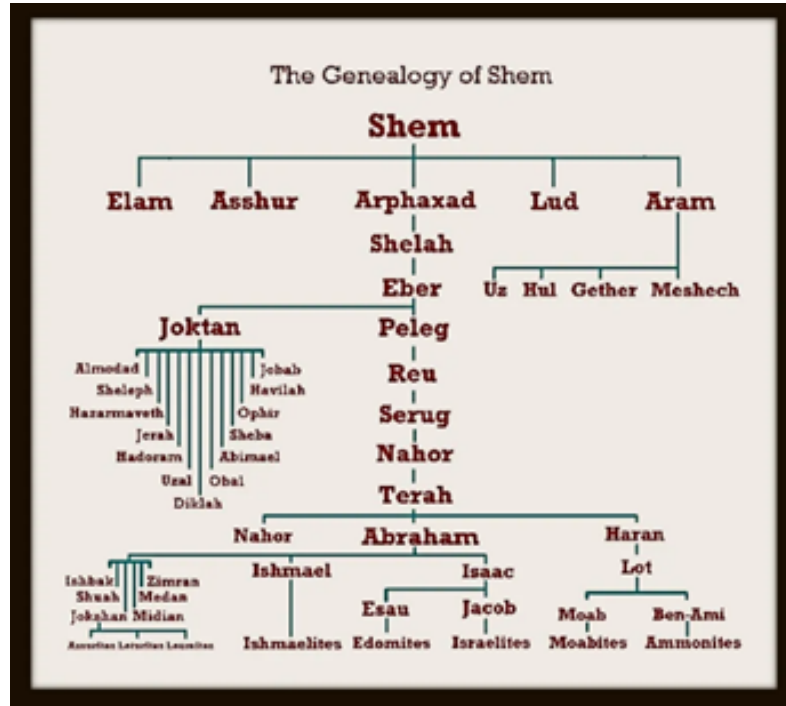
26. Did you see any other names in Genesis 10 you recognized? Many of the names we see in this chapter become better known because of the area or nations named after them. Look up Job 1:1 and then read Genesis 10:23 again. Where did Job live?



27. What event happened in the days of Peleg and Joktan, the sons of Eber? (Verse 25) This will come into sharper focus in Genesis 11:7.

DAY FOUR

28. Using the chart, who is the most Biblically significant name in the list below?



29. What did you learn concerning the people who lived during the days described in Genesis 11? How might this be beneficial to accomplishing difficult tasks?

30. God had given man the ability to communicate. Man was the one creature that God had given the gift of language. Man could commune with God, and with each other. What once was intended for a blessing played a distinct part in their tragic and sinful plan. Read Gen. 11:1-9. How had man used God's gift for his own purposes? How would you sum up the heart of these people in one or two words?

31. It is a very thin coin that does not have two sides. Their common language could be used to do great work without confusion or error. Sadly, what idea did they come up with in Genesis 11:3-4?

32. Underline the pronouns in Genesis 11:4. Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise, we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth.” Whose reputation and name are they predominately interested in?

33. The people stated their fear that they would be “scattered over the face of the whole earth.” What had God commanded them to do? Read Genesis 9:1.

34. What does this imply concerning the hearts of the people?

35. Read Isaiah 42:8, what does God say He will not do?

36. What did God do to stop their sinful act?

- Genesis 11:7
- Genesis 11:8

37. Read 1 John 2:15-17, what instructions are we given here?

DAY FIVE

38. God does not need to wait for history to unfold; He knows the beginning to the end of all things. It is our loving heavenly Father’s desire that we walk in obedience to His commands. Very soon in our study of the Old Testament we will see God directing His chosen people, Israel, to avoid those nations that have chosen their will over God’s. We must take care in choosing our friends. What influence are your friends having on you?

39. The proud men of Babel chose to erect a tower to heaven to make a great name for themselves. Is this attitude still present today?

40. Great achievements of man often result in pride, not heavenly praise. Is it wrong to strive to achieve, to make goals, and to do our best? How do we know when we are erecting a tower or if we are striving to use all God has given us to its fullest potential?

41. What are your thoughts about these chapters now that you have spent time studying them? Did they hold more treasure than you originally thought they would?

42. Thinking back just a few generations, what are some positives concerning your family line?

43. Is it possible to change the character and direction of a family line? If so, how?

44. The final section of this chapter is verses 26-32. Whose family line is listed here?

Who were the sons born to him?

Who did his sons marry?

What did you learn about these women?

Where had this family been living?

Where did Terah plan to move his family?

Which family members traveled with Terah to this new location?

Did the family make it to their intended destination?

45. What delayed them from making it to Canaan?

46. It is understandable that they would stay in Harran for a time. It takes time to grieve a loss. Everyone grieves at their own pace. Since we are looking at grief and loss of a loved one, what are some ways we can help someone who has suffered a loss?

47. When we are the one who has suffered a loss how might we use it one day to help others?

DAY ONE

Question 6

Leviticus 17:11 (NIV)

¹¹For the life of a creature is in the blood, and I have given it to you to make atonement for yourselves on the altar; it is the blood that makes atonement for one's life. ¹²Therefore I say to the Israelites, "None of you may eat blood, nor may any foreigner residing among you eat blood."

DAY THREE

Question 18

2 Peter 3:17 (NIV)

¹⁷ Therefore, dear friends, since you already know this, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of lawless men and fall from your secure position.

Galatians 6:1 (NIV)

² Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.

Psalms 1:1-2 (NIV)

¹ Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, ² but whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night.

James 1:21-22 (NIV)

Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you. ²² Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

Question 24

Deuteronomy 7:1-6 (NIV)

¹ When the LORD your God brings you into the land you are entering to possess and drives out before you many nations—the Hittites, Girgashites, Amorites, Canaanites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites, seven nations larger and stronger than you— ² and when the LORD your God has delivered them over to you and you have defeated them, then you must destroy them totally. Make no treaty with them, and show them no mercy. ³ Do not intermarry with them. Do not give your daughters to their sons or take their daughters for your sons, ⁴ for they will turn your children away from following me to serve other gods, and the LORD's anger will burn against you and will quickly destroy you. ⁵ This is what you are to do to them: Break down their altars, smash their sacred stones, cut down their Asherah poles and burn their idols in the fire. ⁶ For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you out of all the peoples on the face of the earth to be his people, his treasured possession.

Question 26

Job 1:1 (NIV)

¹In the land of Uz there lived a man whose name was Job. This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil.

DAY FOUR

Question 35

Isaiah 42:8 (NIV)

⁸I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not yield my glory to another or my praise to idols.

Question 37

1 John 2:15-17 (NIV)

¹⁵ Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. ¹⁶For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. ¹⁷The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

B I B L E C H A P T E R S

Genesis 9 (NIV)

¹Then God blessed Noah and his sons, saying to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the earth.

²The fear and dread of you will fall on all the beasts of the earth, and on all the birds in the sky, on every creature that moves along the ground, and on all the fish in the sea; they are given into your hands.

³Everything that lives and moves about will be food for you. Just as I gave you the green plants, I now give you everything.

⁴“But you must not eat meat that has its lifeblood still in it.

⁵And for your lifeblood I will surely demand an accounting. I will demand an accounting from every animal. And from each human being, too, I will demand an accounting for the life of another human being.

⁶“Whoever sheds human blood, by humans shall their blood be shed; for in the image of God has God made mankind.

⁷As for you, be fruitful and increase in number; multiply on the earth and increase upon it.”

⁸Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him:

⁹“I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you

¹⁰and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth.

¹¹I establish my covenant with you: Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth.”

¹²And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come:

¹³I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

¹⁴Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds,

¹⁵I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life.

¹⁶Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth.”

¹⁷So God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the earth.”

¹⁸The sons of Noah who came out of the ark were Shem, Ham and Japheth. (Ham was the father of Canaan.)

¹⁹These were the three sons of Noah, and from them came the people who were scattered over the whole earth.

²⁰Noah, a man of the soil, proceeded to plant a vineyard.

²¹When he drank some of its wine, he became drunk and lay uncovered inside his tent.

²²Ham, the father of Canaan, saw his father naked and told his two brothers outside.

²³But Shem and Japheth took a garment and laid it across their shoulders; then they walked in backward and covered their father’s naked body. Their faces were turned the other way so that they would not see their father naked.

²⁴When Noah awoke from his wine and found out what his youngest son had done to him,

²⁵he said, “Cursed be Canaan! The lowest of slaves will he be to his brothers.”

²⁶He also said, “Praise be to the LORD, the God of Shem! May Canaan be the slave of Shem.

²⁷May God extend Japheth’s territory; may Japheth live in the tents of Shem, and may Canaan be the slave of Japheth.”

²⁸After the flood Noah lived 350 years.

²⁹Noah lived a total of 950 years, and then he died.

Genesis 10 (NIV)

- ¹This is the account of Shem, Ham and Japheth, Noah's sons, who themselves had sons after the flood.
- ² The sons of Japheth: Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshek and Tiras.
- ³The sons of Gomer: Ashkenaz, Riphath and Togarmah.
- ⁴The sons of Javan: Elishah, Tarshish, the Kittites and the Rodanites.
- ⁵(From these the maritime peoples spread out into their territories by their clans within their nations, each with its own language.)
- ⁶ The sons of Ham: Cush, Egypt, Put and Canaan.
- ⁷The sons of Cush: Seba, Havilah, Sabtah, Raamah and Sabteka. The sons of Raamah: Sheba and Dedan.
- ⁸Cush was the father of Nimrod, who became a mighty warrior on the earth.
- ⁹He was a mighty hunter before the LORD; that is why it is said, "Like Nimrod, a mighty hunter before the LORD."
- ¹⁰The first centers of his kingdom were Babylon, Uruk, Akkad and Kalneh, in Shinar.
- ¹¹ From that land he went to Assyria, where he built Nineveh, Rehoboth Ir, Calah
- ¹² and Resen, which is between Nineveh and Calah—which is the great city.
- ¹³Egypt was the father of the Ludites, Anamites, Lehabites, Naphtuhites, 14 Pathrusites, Kasluhites (from whom the Philistines came) and Caphtorites.
- ¹⁵ Canaan was the father of Sidon his firstborn, and of the Hittites,
- ¹⁶ Jebusites, Amorites, Girgashites,
- ¹⁷ Hivites, Arkites, Sinites,
- ¹⁸ Arvadites, Zemarites and Hamathites. Later the Canaanite clans scattered
- ¹⁹ and the borders of Canaan reached from Sidon toward Gerar as far as Gaza, and then toward Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah and Zeboyim, as far as Lasha.
- ²⁰ These are the sons of Ham by their clans and languages, in their territories and nations.
- ²¹ Sons were also born to Shem, whose older brother was Japheth; Shem was the ancestor of all the sons of Eber.
- ²² The sons of Shem: Elam, Ashur, Arphaxad, Lud and Aram.
- ²³ The sons of Aram: Uz, Hul, Gether and Meshek.
- ²⁴ Arphaxad was the father of Shelah, and Shelah the father of Eber.
- ²⁵ Two sons were born to Eber: One was named Peleg, because in his time the earth was divided; his brother was named Joktan.
- ²⁶ Joktan was the father of Almodad, Sheleph, Hazarmaveth, Jerah,
- ²⁷ Hadoram, Uzal, Diklah,
- ²⁸ Obal, Abimael, Sheba, 29 Ophir, Havilah and Jobab. All these were sons of Joktan.
- ³⁰ The region where they lived stretched from Mesha toward Sephar, in the eastern hill country.
- ³¹ These are the sons of Shem by their clans and languages, in their territories and nations.
- ³² These are the clans of Noah's sons, according to their lines of descent, within their nations. From these the nations spread out over the earth after the flood.

Genesis 11 (NIV)

¹Now the whole world had one language and a common speech.

²As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.

³They said to each other, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar.

⁴Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise, we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth.”

⁵But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower the people were building.

⁶The LORD said, “If as one people speaking the same language, they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them.

⁷Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.”

⁸So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city.

⁹That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

¹⁰This is the account of Shem’s family line. Two years after the flood, when Shem was 100 years old, he became the father of Arphaxad.

¹¹And after he became the father of Arphaxad, Shem lived 500 years and had other sons and daughters.

¹²When Arphaxad had lived 35 years, he became the father of Shelah.

¹³And after he became the father of Shelah, Arphaxad lived 403 years and had other sons and daughters.

¹⁴When Shelah had lived 30 years, he became the father of Eber.

¹⁵And after he became the father of Eber, Shelah lived 403 years and had other sons and daughters.

¹⁶When Eber had lived 34 years, he became the father of Peleg.

¹⁷And after he became the father of Peleg, Eber lived 430 years and had other sons and daughters.

¹⁸When Peleg had lived 30 years, he became the father of Reu.

¹⁹And after he became the father of Reu, Peleg lived 209 years and had other sons and daughters.

²⁰When Reu had lived 32 years, he became the father of Serug.

²¹And after he became the father of Serug, Reu lived 207 years and had other sons and daughters.

²²When Serug had lived 30 years, he became the father of Nahor.

²³And after he became the father of Nahor, Serug lived 200 years and had other sons and daughters.

²⁴When Nahor had lived 29 years, he became the father of Terah.

²⁵And after he became the father of Terah, Nahor lived 119 years and had other sons and daughters.

²⁶After Terah had lived 70 years, he became the father of Abram, Nahor and Haran.

²⁷This is the account of Terah’s family line. Terah became the father of Abram, Nahor and Haran. And Haran became the father of Lot.

²⁸While his father Terah was still alive, Haran died in Ur of the Chaldeans, in the land of his birth.

²⁹Abram and Nahor both married. The name of Abram’s wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahor’s wife was Milkah; she was the daughter of Haran, the father of both Milkah and Iskah.

³⁰Now Sarai was childless because she was not able to conceive.

³¹Terah took his son Abram, his grandson Lot son of Haran, and his daughter-in-law Sarai, the wife of his son Abram, and together they set out from Ur of the Chaldeans to go to Canaan. But when they came to Harran, they settled there.

³²Terah lived 205 years, and he died in Harran.

