



Genesis 7:13 , 16b

¹³ On that very day Noah and his sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth, together with his wife and the wives of his three sons, entered the ark.....^{16b} Then the LORD shut him in.

Prayer Requests

Marg Elliott, Krebs, Jacobs, Don Krebs, Marg Pinyon, Murrays, Marilyn Walgenback, dane and son i-n law, Benny , Warren Schultz, Sunday Akpan, for Christian brothers and sisters around the world who are enduring persecution for standing and defending Jesus' name.

Thrift Store

No volunteers scheduled for this month next time is **Dec 20, 2022**

Concerning the Bulletin

Through the third week in Jan. I will not be in Salmon Arm. However I will attempt to post from where I am I will try to keep up on the news with your help. Please text me, **250 217-0233** or email at mtaylor@polargeek.com.

Homeless Shelter for Salmon Arm

There is a very great need for a place for folks to get out of the cold during the next few months. **Please be diligent in prayer** for the Lord to give wisdom and guidance to those who are working to provide care. They also are looking for volunteers to man the facilities through the night.

Holiday get together for the church family is in the plans for Dec 18th with a potluck lunch and followed by a white elephant gift exchange Further details to follow.

Welcome

Our worship service including communion goes from 10:00 to 11:30 . The collection plate is not passed cut is at the back on the projection table. Envelopes available.

Updates

Don Krebs and Marlene have been told that Don must see the heart specialist that works along with team for kidney transplant surgeries. It is up yto him whether they will continue on the road to replacement of kidney or not. The Dr needs to feel confident that Don's heart is strong enough to survive the surgery. They are trusting God's will in whatever the answer is. Pray for them as they continue on this journey.

Marg Pinyon check with **Alvina @ 250 463-3348** to make sure we do not collide with others visiting. It is too confusing for her in a group.

J.C and Lorraine Send mail to Darla Peterson and she will see that they get it Box 15, N Weyburn Sask SOCOXO reports are that they are settling in pretty well. JC spends a lot of his time sleeping according to Lorraine. So thankful she has others very near to spend time with in these times.

Marilyn Walgenback is scheduled for cataract surgery in her other eye this coming week. She has concerns because the other surgery took 6 weeks to recover. Please remember her in prayer.



The Ark Had Only One Door

God was specific when He commanded Noah to build the ark. He was to make it of gopher wood, supply it with rooms, and cover it inside and outside with pitch. It was to be 450 feet long, 75 feet wide and 45 feet tall (Gen. 6:14-15). The instructions continued, "You shall make a window for the ark, and you shall finish it to a cubit from above; and set the door of the ark in its side. You shall make it with lower, second, and third decks" (v. 16).

The ark was a vessel of salvation. God's wrath was being poured out on the entire, sinful world. The only air-breathing creatures (man and animal) that survived the global flood were those inside the ark. The only way into the ark was through this one door. Everything outside the ark perished in the flood.

We know that God's wrath will again be poured out on the earth one day. Instead of water, God will completely destroy the earth with fire (2 Peter 3:10-13). The ark of safety from this coming destruction is the Lord's church. Those who are in the church (the body of God's people) will survive the wrath of God's coming judgment. Those who are outside will perish.

Just as there was only one ark in Noah's day, there is only one body of saved people today. And just as there was only one door to Noah's ark, there is only one way to enter the church. One must believe Jesus is the Son of God (John 8:24), repent of their sins (Luke 13:3), confess their faith in Christ (Rom. 10:9-10), and be baptized **into** Christ (Gal. 3:27).

There is no other way into Christ. There is no other way to be saved. The world abounds with various religions, but they can't all be right. "Christianity" abounds with groups believing and practicing different things, but they can't all be right. **There is only one door.**

God closed the door of the ark in Noah's day (Gen. 7:16). Those who were inside were protected from the outpouring of His wrath. Those who were outside perished. One day God will close the door. God's longsuffering will come to an end, the gospel invitation will stop being extended, the trumpet will sound, and judgment will take place.

Once God closes the door, it will not be reopened. "And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' But he answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming" (Matt. 25:10-13).

Why would you wait another moment? Prepare yourself for eternity right now by obeying the gospel.

Taken from a church bulletin, by H. Rogers

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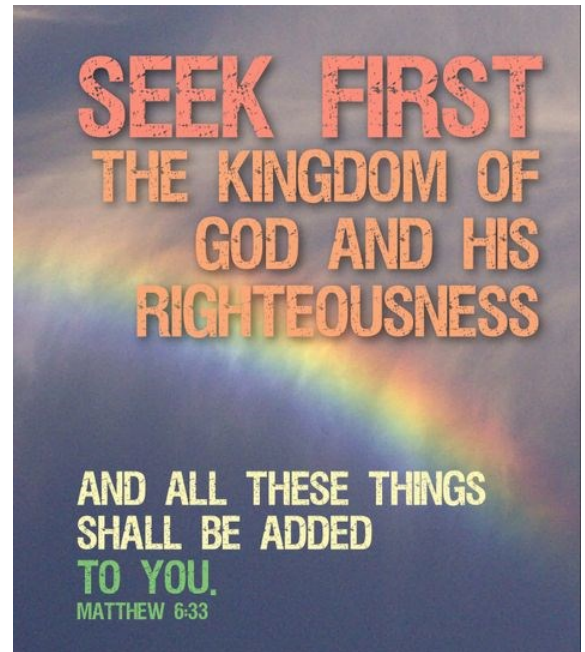
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1 Peter 3:20-21

"who once were disobedient, when the patience of God kept waiting in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through the water. ²¹ Corresponding to that, baptism now saves you—not the removal of dirt from the flesh, but an appeal to God for a good conscience—through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,"