

## Lessons from Torah – 10

### 40 Days on the Ark – Week 2 - Genesis 6:1-22

1. This passage emphasizes the Contrast between Noah and the rest of humanity
  - a. Verse 1 - While the people are doing 'who knows what' with other spiritual powers . . .
  - b. Verse 9 – Noah is walking with God
2. What does it mean to 'walk with' someone?
  - a. To be where they are
  - b. To be aware that they are with you
  - c. To WANT to be with each other
  - d. To be in agreement on where you are going (Amos 3:3)
  - e. To talk to each other as you walk
  - f. To listen to each other as you walk
  - g. To simply be with each other
3. How did Noah 'walk with God'?
  - a. By being perfect in his thoughts and deeds? – No one is perfect, not even Noah
  - b. By keeping the Law of Moses? – That Law had not yet been given
  - c. Through Spiritual 'disciplines' – like fasting, special diets, sacrifices and liturgies? – No mention of these (Galatians 4:8-11)
  - d. We have been freed from such things to 'worship God in Spirit and in Truth' (John 4:22-24)
4. So how do WE walk with God?
  - a. We do not need to find him – he has found us
  - b. Walking with God is a matter of recognizing he is already with us
    - i. How do you behave when you know someone you respect is with you?

- c. Walking with someone takes Consent –
    - i. Do I WANT God to be walking with me?
      1. What is my attitude toward God?
      2. Do I desire his presence more than I desire the things in me that I know offend him?
    - ii. How can I believe God WANTS to walk with me? -
      1. I am not worthy to walk with him
      2. Yet here he is, asking me not only to walk with him but be yoked with him (Matthew 11:25-30)
      3. I become worthy as I lay my self down and choose Him
      4. I am cleansed by what he has already done for me
  - d. Walking with someone takes Agreement on where we are going
    - i. Jesus has told us where he is going
    - ii. Will we walk with him or go off by ourselves
  - e. Walking with God gives the opportunity to talk with him
  - f. Walking with God gives the opportunity to listen to him
  - g. Walking with God gives us the opportunity to simply enjoy his presence
5. Psalm 139 explains that God is
    - a. available to walk with us
    - b. wants to walk with us
    - c. makes us fit to walk with him
    - d. keeps us fit through his Spirit at work in us