

Discussion Guide

Discussion Guides accompany the weekly message.

Opening Activity:

Share about a time you expected something to go badly but instead experienced grace, help, or unexpected favor. What were you afraid of, and how did that moment change how you viewed the situation or the people involved?

Read:

Genesis 8:18-22
Genesis 9:1-17

Discussion Questions:

1. Read Genesis 8:21-22. What promises does God make after the flood, and what do they reveal about God's character toward humanity?
2. Read Genesis 9:1-7. What new responsibilities and boundaries does God establish for humanity after the flood?
3. Read Genesis 9:8-11. Who initiates the covenant, and what does that tell us about how God relates to people?
4. Read Genesis 9:12-16. Why do you think God gives a visible sign of the covenant, and who is that sign ultimately for?
5. Read Genesis 8:21 again. What does this verse teach us about human nature and why God's covenant is rooted in grace rather than performance?
6. The sermon emphasized that God establishes a covenant of favor, not fear. Where do you tend to live more out of fear than trust in your relationship with God?
7. Noah stepped off the ark into uncertainty, yet God immediately reassured him. Where in your life do you need to trust God's faithfulness instead of fearing what might happen next?
8. The ark required surrender and dependence, not control. What areas of your life are hardest for you to fully surrender to God?
9. How does understanding God's grace in the story of Noah shape the way you respond to your own sin or the failure of others?
10. How should living under a covenant of grace—not fear—change the way you live, lead, forgive, or serve this week?

Challenge for the Week:

This week, show God's grace to one person in a clear, intentional way—reach out, forgive, encourage, or help them. Share with your group who you plan to show grace to, and be ready next week to share what you did and what you learned.