

"As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: They ate, they drank, they married ... until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all" (Luke 17:26-27).

Noah's Time

What was it like back in the "good old days" of Genesis? Regardless of what man thought, "the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great ... and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually ... The earth was corrupt ... filled with violence" (Genesis 6:5,11).

Jesus' Time

Had conditions improved by the time Christ walked the earth? Peter said in Acts 2:23: "Him (Jesus) ... you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death." Men's hearts and actions were still evil!

Today

What about now? News reporters around the world say, "It's one act of violence after another." Things haven't changed a bit since Genesis!

The Future

Will the situation ever get better? God says not. When those who believe God are taken up to heaven, Satan will deceive the world, peace will be taken away and violence will fill the earth (Revelation 6:4-17).

God's Warning

Before the flood, God told Noah He would wipe man off the face of the earth. How did Noah respond? "By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen ... prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world" (Hebrews 11:7).

How did the world respond? It went on with its sinful pleasure, not believing God. So the flood came and destroyed all but eight people who went into the ark. Everyone not shut in by the Lord was shut out (Genesis 7:13-16). It was too late. And it will be the same way when Jesus Christ returns to judge the world.

Many are still rejecting God's warning, just as they did in the days of Noah. But "the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. For when they say, 'Peace and safety!' then

sudden destruction comes upon them ... And they shall not escape" (1 Thessalonians 5:2-3). "Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect (Luke 12:40).

Your Response

Are you ready to meet the coming Lord? Do you believe God as Noah did? Or are you still rejecting Him as the world does? God sees all your thoughts.

If you want to be saved, repent of your sins and accept Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. "He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him" (John 3:36).

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