

## Answer Guide for Genesis 7

### 7:1-5

-Why is “then” an appropriate word to begin this chapter? *Because Noah had just completed everything the Lord had commanded him to do, THEN.....*

-Who is speaking to Noah? *The Lord*

-**Luke 1:13** Who speaks for God? Name *an angel (Gabriel)* office *angel*

-**Jeremiah 33:1-2** Who speaks for God? Name *Jeremiah* office *prophet*

-**2 Samuel 12:1,7** Who speaks for God? Name *Nathan* office *preacher*

-Who did the Lord find righteous? *Noah, alone*

-How would this make you feel if you were Noah? *It would bother me that none of my extended family was found righteous.*

-**John 20:19** What was the emotion of the disciples? *fear*

-**Luke 24:5** What was the emotion of the women? *fear*

-**Genesis 3:8-10** What was the emotion of Adam and Eve? *fear*

-What causes this fear in all cases? *Silence, God is not speaking*

-What is the remedy to fear? *To have God speak a word of promise.*

-Why did the Lord command Noah to bring 7 pair of clean animals and clean birds into the ark? *It doesn't say yet, but they will be used for sacrifice.*

-Had this occurred before? If so when? *Yes, Cain and Abel gave offerings.*

-When did the Lord say the rain would begin? *In seven days.*

-How long did he say that it would last? *Forty days and forty nights*

## **7:6-10**

- How much has Noah aged since we first were introduced to him? *100 years*
- How many people in addition to Noah went into the ark? *Seven*
- Why were these people included to enter the ark? *God chose them.*
- What verse in this chapter is connected to verse 10? *4*
- What things does it seem that Moses is repeating in this section? *Forty days and nights, animals two by two, in seven days, Noah and his family*

## **7:11-16**

- What additional details of the time is now given regarding the start of the flood? *Noah's 600th year, 2nd month, 17th day.*
- How does the reference to the waters in verse 11 connect with what was learned in the first creation story? *The water swelled from below and rain came from above.*
- How can this reference to the waters connect to what you know about the about the two tablets of the commandments? *The first table connects with the rain coming from God our father. The second table connects with the water coming from the earth and our dealings with our neighbors.*
- What previous verse in chapter 7 does verse 12 connect with? *Verse 4*
- How does the order of the naming of the people most often happen? Compare with **6:18**? *First Noah is mentioned, followed by his sons, then Noah's wife, then his son's wives.*
- How does Moses describe the birds that went into the ark? *He mentions birds of every kind, then every bird, then, every winged creature.*
- Who commanded who and what should enter the ark? *God himself.*
- Who was in control of securing everyone and everything in the ark by shutting the door? *God himself.*

## 7:17-24

-In all the details that were described in chapter 6 regarding the construction of the ark, what features were not included as we have come to know as standard features of ship construction? *A sail or something to propel the vessel. No oars. No rudder.*

-What article of the Apostles' Creed do these lacking features of the ark relate to? *The First Article about God our father who protects and provides.*

-What do we now learn about where Noah constructed the ark? *It was built on a mountain top. Peculiar request by God. It would seem to make more sense to build it by the water.*

-What happened with the ark after the 40 days of rain? *It was raised off its place into the flood.*

-How high was the water above the mountains? *15 cubits, over 20 feet above the highest mountain.*

-In which creation story and in what verse is there a reference to "nostrils having the breath of life"? *The second. Genesis 2:7 when the Lord breathed into the nostrils of Adam the breath of life.*

-How does the description of who was left connect with 7:1? *The Lord had chosen to save only Noah and his family.*

-What was different with Noah's wife and his sons and their wives compared to the other people who these 8 saw perish in the flood? *Only Noah was righteous in the sight of the Lord (but we will also soon learn that he was not without sin), but we know that God CHOSE Noah and his family.*

-How long did the water continue to be present following the rain? *It rained for 40 days and nights, but the water swelled 150 days.*