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Lesson 15

1. Last week I completed an analysis of the reason for the Flood.

2. When time expired we were looking at Genesis chapter seven with comment.

3. I want to review some of that learned and then we will pick up with new material and our analysis of Genesis seven.

4. The Ark - A Symbol of Protection and Salvation

4.1 Noah's ark was a colossal barge. God commanded Noah to build this grand structure for the purpose of keeping alive members of his family, and two of every kind of land animal. Seven (extra) clean animals were also gathered for sacrifice purposes.

4.1.1 Additionally, Noah was to bring enough food for his family and the animals; though not explicitly stated the Scripture implies that various seeds for later planting would also be stored within the Ark.

4.2 The Ark was to keep them alive through a universal flood which would come upon the earth. The English word ark is a translation from the Hebrew teba, meaning "chest, ark" box," or "coffin."

4.2.1 The word is also used in Exo 2:3 and 5 where it describes not a ship but a barge like repository intended only to float and to withstand the impact of waves. This very small "ark" was designed for the baby Moses.

4.2.2 Noah's Ark would have a carrying capacity one-third greater than a ship of similar length and width, and it would have been almost impossible to capsize.

4.2.3 The ark was constructed of gopher wood (cypress?) and was protected by an inner and outer coating of pitch or bitumen (Hebrew kopher).

4.2.4 The three decks were divided into rooms (Hebrew qinnim,"nests"). Around the entire vessel just below the roof was an opening for light; and in one side was a door. (Gen 6:14-16)

4.2.5 The ark was 300 cubits long, 50 wide, and 30 high (Gen 6:15). Assuming that the basic Hebrew cubit was 17.5 inches, the ark was 437.5 feet long, 72.92 feet wide and 43.75 feet high.

4.2.6 The total volume of the ark would have been 1,396,000 cubic feet, giving it a gross tonnage of about 13,960 tons, which is well within the category of large metal ocean-going vessels today.

4.2.7 As early as 1609-21, Peter Janson in Holland built a large model of the ark and demonstrated the efficiency of its design and proportions.

4.2.8 Not until the last half of the 19th century was a ship built with dimensions exceeding that of the ark.

4.2.9 Noah and his sons probably hired many men to assist them in the construction of the ark. Many no doubt ridiculed God's man, nevertheless when the time came Noah and his family entered the Ark. Let's look at these Scriptures with brief comment:

Gen 7:1 The LORD (Yehovah) then said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and your whole family, because I have found you righteous in this generation.

Comment: Critics have argued because a different name for God is used here, therefore, some mysterious editor took two different accounts and pasted parts together to form the present story. This because in chapter six God is called Elohim and here in chapter seven he is called Jehovah. God (Elohim) is the plural creative and complete name of the Godhead; Jehovah is His redemptive name. These verses speak of redemption whereas the prior verses spoke of the problem and God's displeasure. Jehovah now acts in utter grace, eight pure souls will be delivered. In the KJV Gen 7:1b has been translated: "For thee have I seen righteous before Me." Noah, in addition to being uncontaminated was also said to be positionally and temporally righteous and yet not long after the Flood we will find him engrossed in sin. Barnhouse in his book *Genesis* has written:

"What is beauty? Ask the critics, and after much discussion they will tell you that it depends on the person who does the looking What is admired by one person is despised by another. This leads us to conclude that beauty is in the eye of the beholder. In ourselves there is no loveliness, but God has deigned to look upon us through the Lord Jesus Christ. As a child may find a deformed toy lovely and precious because of something in the heart of the child, so the Lord found us righteous before Him because of something in His heart. And that something is what He has seen in Christ who is made unto us righteousness."

1Co 1:30 But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:

2Co 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

Phi 3:9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

Gen 7:2 Take with you seven of every kind of clean animal, a male and its mate, and two of every kind of unclean animal, a male and its mate,

Comment: In the phrase "Take with you seven of every kind of clean animal, a male and its mate" we again find critics positing objections. Here the critics cry, "Contradiction!" because, they say, in the Elohim account found in Gen 6:10-20 God commanded two and in this, the Jehovah account, God commands seven.

Gen 6:19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female. Gen 6:20 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive.

The explanation is found in the word "clean." Of all living things there were two for preservation of species. In addition, clean beasts by sevens (probably seven pairs to include the birds) were taken, because there were to be blood sacrifices. When Noah came out of the ark, his first act was to build an altar and kill at least one of every kind of clean animal and bird (Gen 8:20). He could not have done this, if there had been only one pair.

Gen 8:20 And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

Gen 7:3 and also seven of every kind of bird, male and female, to keep their various kinds alive throughout the earth.

Gen 7:4 Seven days from now I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights, and I will wipe from the face of the earth every living creature I have made."

Gen 7:5 And Noah did all that the LORD commanded him.

Gen 7:6 Noah was six hundred years old when the floodwaters came on the earth. Gen 7:7 And Noah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives entered the ark to escape the waters of the flood.

Comment: In verse seven we find the matter of fact statement: "And Noah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives entered the ark." Far from being a mundane phrase to move the scenario, it was a description of a tremendous act of faith. The people round about must have thought that his folly had now reached its climax. We do not know what they thought when suddenly the animals began entering. But we do know that Noah's entering the ark became the grounds for the condemnation of the world (Heb 11:7).

Heb 11:7 By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.

Again, if I may quote from Barnhouse again:

"No man could say that he could not believe. A believing convict condemns an unbelieving convict. A believing doctor condemns an unbelieving doctor. The entering in of the believer condemns the unbeliever."

Gen 7:8 Pairs of clean and unclean animals, of birds and of all creatures that move along the ground,

Gen 7:9 male and female, came to Noah and entered the ark, as God had commanded Noah.

Gen 7:10 And after the seven days the floodwaters came on the earth.

Gen 7:11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, on the seventeenth day of the second month-- on that day all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened.

Comment: Verse 10 tells us "and the floodwaters came on the earth."

Enoch had prophesied and had announced the judgment upon the ungodly. Noah announced it and built the vast Ark in the sight of the world, which undoubtedly ridiculed him. He held steadfast to the end in spite of all appearances and without any precedent whatsoever. At last judgment came to pass. God is not a man that He should lie (Rom 3:4 every man a liar but God is truth). All that He has promised He will perform.

Gen 7:12 And rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights.

Gen 7:13 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.

Gen 7:14 They had with them every wild animal according to its kind, all livestock according to their kinds, every creature that moves along the ground according to its kind and every bird according to its kind, everything with wings.

Gen 7:15 And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein is the breath of life.

Comment: Verses 15 tell us: Noah, his family and the animals went into the ark.

There have been those who have ridiculed the idea of Noah catching all the animals and what a time he must have had. But the Lord God can turn the heart of animals and He can certainly lead them to where he wishes. Neither had any of them at this point tasted blood, they were herbivorous. The Lord brought them to the Ark and the Lord shut them in. Only man is "dumber" than the animals: "The ox knows its owner, and the ass its master's crib."

Isa 1:3 The ox knows his master, the donkey his owner's manger, but Israel does not know, my people do not understand."

Isa 1:4 Ah, sinful nation, a people loaded with guilt, a brood of evildoers, children given to corruption! They have forsaken the LORD; they have spurned the Holy One of Israel and turned their backs on him.

Gen 7:16 And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God (Elohim) had commanded him: and the LORD (Yehovah) shut him in.

Comment: Verse 16 tells us Elohim commanded and Yehovah safely shut him and his family safely inside. The cruise was about to begin. Once more God shows more than one side of His nature and being. As God, Elohim, He commanded. As Jehovah, the Redeemer, He shut Noah inside. There was safety inside. Noah's being sealed inside is the equivalent of our being sealed with the Holy Spirit (Eph 4:30). Noah was not only saved, he was safe and secure.

Eph 4:30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

Gen 7:17 And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lifted up above the earth.

Comment: Verse 17 also describes how the waters rose with the raging waters as the Ark floated above even the highest point on the planet. The same waters that destroyed life on the earth bore up the ark in which Noah and all his family were carried safely. The same judgment that swept down from God upon the Lord Jesus Christ brings death to those who refuse and life to those who believe. In the ark Noah was surrounded by judgment which showed God's hatred of sin, but he himself was safe. In Christ we are surrounded by the judgment of God against the sin of unbelief; we are safe in the arms of a loving Christ. The Ark was lifted high above the earth; no doubt the ride of a lifetime.

The Ark seems to be symbolic of our protection in time, eternal salvation and ultimate ascension into heaven. If you could have looked upon this earth from the moon, you would have seen vast rolling waves destroying every living thing on the earth. But on the surface, like a cork bobbing on a stream, you would have seen the Ark with its precious cargo. It is possible to get away from the earth and to look at the world in judgment by standing on the Word of God.

Gen 7:18 And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters.

Gen 7:19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered.

Gen 7:20 Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered. Gen 7:21 And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:

Gen 7:22 All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died.

Comment: Verse 22: All human, animal and bird life outside the ark died. Never go beyond what is written. Clarence Darrow cynically confused William Jennings Bryan by asking him if he believed every word in the Bible. When Jennings replied that he did, Darrow asked contemptuously if he believed that the fish had drowned in the flood. Bryan did not know how to answer. If he had known the little intricacies of the Word, he could have confounded the skeptic. Only the animals that had within them the (Nephesh) breath of life died. By thy way, Jennings won the debate, or so thought the jurors.

Gen 7:23 And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.

Gen 7:24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days.

5. By the very nature of the case, the project must have gained worldwide attention, and the universal rejection of Noah's faithful warnings during this final testing period of 120 years was the basis upon which Noah "condemned the world" (Heb 11:7).

6. The ridicule did not keep Noah from his faithful task of warning of the impending deluge or assembling his odd crew for what would prove to be an exciting cruise aboard the USS Flood Buster.

7. But I have heard some say "But have not the biochemists with their new found science proven evolution? Hardly! Let me suggest you read Michael Behe's "*The Biochemical Challenge to Evolution*. He is an "unbelieving professor at LeHigh University or read "*Darwin on Trial* by Phillip E. Johnson, or read *Did God Use Evolution*? by Wener Gitt and I by then, if you are ready to objectively approach the subject, read "*Evolution and the Christian Faith* by Bolton Davidheiser.

8. Of Doctor Behe's book, the following has been written "No one can propose to defend Darwin without meeting the challenges set out ... in Behe's compelling book."

9. So much for taxonomy and science, let's get back to our study of the great flood and what happened just thereafter.

10. The vast majority of the nearly one million species of today are marine creatures which could have survived outside the ark. A leading systematic taxonomist, Ernst Mayr, lists 17,600 species of mammals, birds, reptiles, and amphibians.

11. So we may assume that there were probably not more than 35,000 individual vertebrate animals in the ark, the average size being that of a sheep.

12. Since a standard two-decked railroad stock car (with an effective capacity of 2,670 cubic feet) can carry about 240 sheep, only 146 stock cars would be needed to carry 35,000 animals of this average size.

13. But the ark had a carrying capacity equivalent to that of 522 stock cars; so it is clear that it was entirely adequate for its God-intended purpose.

14. When fully laden with its cargo (Gen 6:21), the ark sank into the water 15 cubits (20 feet), or one-half its height.

Gen 6:21 You are to take every kind of food that is to be eaten and store it away as food for you and for them."

15. This seems to be the implication of Gen 7:20 ("fifteen cubits (20 feet) upward did the waters prevail"), for if the Flood had not covered the mountains by at least 15 cubits, the ark could not have floated over them.

Gen 7:20 The waters rose and covered the mountains to a depth of more than twenty feet.

16. On the same day that the waters began to assuage (exactly 150 days after the Flood began), the ark rested on one of the highest peaks of a certain mountain range called Ararat (Gen 8:3-4).

Gen 8:3 The water receded steadily from the earth. At the end of the hundred and fifty days the water had gone down,

Gen 8:4 and on the seventeenth day of the seventh month the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat.

17. We know from other parts of the Bible that the dove is a symbol of the Holy Spirit. For the Holy Spirit was said to have descended on our Lord at His baptism "like as" a dove.

Mat 3:16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:

Mat 3:17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Gen 8:7 And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.

Gen 8:8 Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;

18. Perhaps, then we are justified in looking upon the raven as representing the man of the flesh who goes out into the judged world, seemingly satisfied with what he finds there. The dove kept returning to the Ark for its food until the time was perfect.

Gen 8:9 But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.

Gen 8:10 And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark;

Gen 8:11 And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth was an olive leaf plucked off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.

Gen 8:12 And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him anymore.

Gen 8:13 And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry. Gen 8:14 By the twenty-seventh day of the second month the earth was completely dry.

19. Then God spake unto Noah saying, Go forth.

Gen 8:15 Then God said to Noah,

Gen 8:16 "Come out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and their wives.

20. Not until he had orders from God did Noah move. He did not follow the counsel of his intelligence, though the absence of the dove might have caused him to act prematurely.

21. He knew that the Ark had grounded, but he did not follow his natural curiosity. He waited on God. The Lord's timing is perfect. He is never before His time and He is never late. His appointments are certain.

Gen 8:17 Bring forth with thee every living thing that is with thee, of all flesh, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth. Gen 8:18 And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him: Gen 8:19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, and whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark.

22. Then Noah built an altar because he knew a sacrifice of blood was required.

Gen 8:20 And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

23. Once more the scarlet cord is seen in the Scripture. Blood had to be shed. The world had been judged, but God, and perhaps Noah, knew the evil nature of Adam had gone into the Ark and that the same evil nature had come out of the Ark.

24. Fellowship with God must be maintained by the constant reminder of the creature's sinfulness and the substitute's death for that sin.

25. Now we see why seven of the clean beasts were taken into the Ark. Life in the new world was to be based on faith in the substitutionary atonement. Blood was to be shed.

26. There was only one way to God, just as today there is only one way. "I am the way the truth and the life, no man cometh unto the Father except by Me." The Lord smelled a sweet savour, the blood sacrifice being symbolic of a Christ who was slain before the creation of all that was and is.

Gen 8:21 And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more everything living, as I have done.

27. The altar had been built to Jehovah, and it is Jehovah who accepts the sacrifice. The faith and obedience of Noah in understanding and performing that which was the symbol of that which was to come was pleasing to God.

28. In this simple act of teaching liturgy Noah was providing generations to come a pageant later to be further defined and explained by Moses during the Exodus from Egypt.

29. The Lord was not looking upon the actual altar and sacrifices, but upon Calvary when the Lord Jesus Christ, would take care of the sin problem.

1Jo 2:2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

2Co 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

30. It is Christ and only Christ who is acceptable to God and our acceptance is in Him. He Who knew no sin would become sin for us in that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Heb 10:4 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. Heb 10:5 Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me:

Heb 10:6 In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure.

Heb 10:7 Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.

Heb 10:8 Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law;

Heb 10:9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

Heb 10:10 By the Whom we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

31. There could be no change in the sinful nature of man.

32. If God had cursed the ground every time man sinned, there would have been a continuing curse, flowing like a river.

33. This, too illustrates the fact that Christ having died for sin once, dies no more. And it demonstrates that Christ having paid our debt, not even God can seek to collect it a second time from us.

34. Legalist often crucify the Son of God afresh, making mockery of His so great salvation. Such would later be the error of many Jews in Jerusalem who returned to the Temple offering sacrifices for sin and thus denying what Jesus did for sin.

34.1 Wuest Translates Heb 6:6 And have fallen away, again to renew to repentance, crucifying the Son of God afresh and putting Him to open shame.

34.2 Wuest writes: "... the Hebrews were breaking their contract with God the Holy Spirit ... the Hebrews cannot be brought back to repentance (and fellowship) should they return to the sacrifice system."

35. Since there is no Temple today, we cannot exactly replicate the sin however, such error often takes the form of doubting ones salvation because of sin and/or evil. Christians often become shocked at their conduct and thus panic!

36. The shock and awe of their conduct causes them to return to the cross where they REALLY BELIEVE. A very common error when the protocol of rebound is rejected.

37. He died once, for all, and forever. Judgment cannot break out twice against the same transgressions. It is finished.

Joh 19:30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

So long as the earth remains, i.e., up and until it is destroyed by fire; the natural order of things will continue.

Gen 8:22 While the earth remaineth, seed time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

38. The unchanging round of the seasons is now set in motion by God. A set of predictable and unvarying laws are established.

39. God set a sign in the heavens (most likely the rainbow) as a reminder that He would not again destroy the earth with a flood. The Psalmist reiterated the promise in Psa 104:5-9.

Psa 104:5 He set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved.

Psa 104:6 You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

Psa 104:7 But at your rebuke the waters fled, at the sound of your thunder they took to flight;

Psa 104:8 they flowed over the mountains, they went down into the valleys, to the place you assigned for them.

Psa 104:9 You set a boundary they cannot cross; never again will they cover the earth.

40. Concerning the subsequent history of the ark, Scripture is silent. In spite of rumors to the contrary, it is doubtful that its remains will ever be discovered.

41. Sufficient for the Christian is the testimony of God's Word that such a structure once existed and that for more than a year it served as the only refuge for the human race and air-breathing animals.

42. Since World War II several expeditions have explored the mountains of Ararat looking for Noah's ark. Their efforts have frequently been hampered by Soviet suspicion that continued activity near the Russian border involved spying.

43. A large wooden structure has been found encased in ice on Mount Ararat. Wood samples taken from the site have been tested by the carbon 14 method of dating, but interpretations of the results conflicted with one another.

44. Much further investigation of the area will evidently be required.

Now let's take a quick trip through Genesis chapter nine.

1. God is said to have blessed Noah and his sons and they were told to be fruitful multiply and replenish the earth.

Gen 9:1 And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

2. As Adam had been the head of the race in its first beginning, Noah is now the head of the race in its new beginning. This new start is marked by blessing from the first moment.

3. God's holiness and hatred of sin had been manifested in His judgment upon the sin of the world, and all was now moving under sovereign grace. God is with them in their new beginning and His presence is blessing.

3.1 The God who said, "Come into the ark" (Gen 7: 1), not, "Go into the ark," and who went with them through the waters of judgment, will be with them in the new life that now begins.

Gen 7:1 And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.

4. Again God gives the command for fruitfulness. This does not refer, merely, to the reproduction of the species, but to fruitfulness in every good work before God (Col 1:10).

Col 1:10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Eph 2:10 For we are his workmanship 7, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

5. Man is not here on earth to live according to his whim, but to live in accordance with God's plan. To be blessed by God is to be doubly responsible before Him. To obey the exhortation to be fruitful is to know the power of His blessing.

6. In Gen 9:2 we find an interesting restructuring of the relationship of man with animals.

Gen 9:2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon δ all that moveth upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.

7. God had given to Adam dominion over all the animal creation, but man had fallen. Now God assures Noah of his safety and his power by putting fear and the dread of man into the heart of the brute creation.

8. Sin was leaving a deeper and deeper mark, but the grace of God was rising higher and higher. If we compare this passage with Gen 1:29, it would seem that man was a vegetarian before the Flood and that now meat enters his diet by the command of God.

Gen 1:29 And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

9. Now we have the first of many mentionings of blood, a subject fraught with misinterpretation.

Gen 9:3 Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things.

Gen 9:4 But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.

10. Here is the first indication in Scripture of the nature of the blood, and the foreshadowing of the atonement.

11. Blood was shed when the first pair were given garments of skins, but now God gives the revelation which will be more fully expressed in the law, "For the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your soul; for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul." Lev 17:11.

Lev 17:11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

12. Barnhouse writes:

"God wants man to see death in animals and to live by feeding upon death, as a constant reminder that we live and move and have our being through His death."

13. I think next week will be a good time to study the very controversial *Doctrine of The Blood*.

End Lesson