# NOAH ... Some Footnotes to Genesis

### **HEBREWS 11:7**

By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that comes by faith

### This "holy" fear was based on the **certainty** of a **spiritual** (unseen) world.

#### **MATTHEW 24:37-39**

As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man ...

## By the time they believed it **could** happen, it already **did** happen!

### **II PETER 3:3-13**

Scoffers will come ... but they deliberately forget ... that by God's word the world of that time was destroyed by a deluge of water. By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire ...

God's next worldwide judgement/destruction (fire) will not be <u>influenced</u> or <u>prevented</u> by <u>skepticism</u>.

### **II PETER 2:5**

God did not spare the ancient world when he brought a flood upon its ungodly people. But he protected Noah, a preacher of righteousness, and seven others.

Noah gave his world a <u>proclamation</u>. These folks were destroyed even though they <u>heard</u> how to be saved.

### MESSAGE/EXAMPLE of Noah > DEATH/RESURRECTION of Christ

- made salvation <u>possible</u> but not <u>certain</u>
- salvation was <u>available</u> but not <u>assured</u>

#### **ISAIAH 54:8-10**

To me this is like the days of Noah when I swore that the waters of Noah would never again cover the earth. So now I have sworn not be be angry/rebuke you again ... My unfailing love for you will not be shaken and my covenant of peace will not be removed.

There have been many smaller, subsequent "judgements" since the flood. But even though God will bring judgement, he will always rejoice when it is ended.

In some future day, God will rule that all judgement is finished, and evil will <u>never trouble</u> us <u>again!</u>

As surely as I live, says the Sovereign Lord, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! (Ezekiel 33:11)