



Genesis Chapter 7b The Righteousness of Noah?

In the first part of our study into Genesis chapter 7 we made note of how the salvation that our Father in Heaven offered Noah... was much like how our father in heaven offers us salvation today. And we made note of the fact that both in Noah's time, and in our time, "works" are an essential part of our Father's plan for salvation. Even though it is true that we are not saved by our works, and that we are indeed saved by grace through faith... this in no way negates or removes our responsibility to do good works.

As far as today's modern-day version of Christianity, is concerned, the law of God is dead along with any kind of works, and so it really doesn't matter how you live or what you do because your "once saved always saved" and so "do as thou wilt is now the whole of the law" just as the Devils Bible so eloquently puts it, however... when we look closely at the Scripture we can see from beginning to the end, that our works have always been very important to our Father in Heaven, and that neither our Father in Heaven nor his only begotten Son has ever done away with, or nullified, or negated the responsibility that we have as his followers to do good "works". And for those of you who may just be tuning in and are new to this understanding... We have much more scriptural truth to share with you concerning this particular topic, and so we would invite you to visit us at our website at HolyImpactMinistries.com if you would like more information on what the truth of Scripture does and does not say about grace versus works.

Today as we move forward, I'd like to slow down just a little bit and take a close look at the animals that Noah was commanded to take aboard the Ark, and I'd like to talk a little bit about what our Father in Heaven originally said was food. And so, the first thing I'd like us to do is to turn back to Genesis chapter 1 verses 29 and 30:

Gen 1:29 And God said, Behold I have given to you every seed-bearing herb sowing seed which is upon all the earth, and every tree which has in itself the fruit of seed that is sown, to you it shall be for food.

Gen 1:30 And to all the wild beasts of the earth, and to all the flying creatures of heaven, and to every reptile creeping on the earth, which has in itself the breath of life, even every green plant for food; and it was so.

I want us to take a close look at verse 29, and I want us to fully understand what it is that our Father in Heaven ordained as “food”. According to what we find in Genesis chapter 1 verse 29 our Father in Heaven gave us every seed-bearing herb sowing seed which is upon all the earth, and every tree which has in itself the fruit of seed that is sown. This was considered to be food by our Father in Heaven. Notice... that there is nothing here found in the Scripture that tells us that animals, or meet, is considered food by our Father in Heaven.

It's important for us to understand that meet had not yet been given to man as food. Plants, herbs, vegetables and fruits were to be nourishment for mankind in the beginning... not animals and meet. However... we find that animals were given as food after the flood. Let's take a look at Genesis chapter 9:1-5:

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

Gen 9:2 The fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth and upon every bird of the heavens, upon everything that creeps on the ground and all the fish of the sea. Into your hand they are delivered.

Gen 9:3 Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. And as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything.

Gen 9:4 But you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood.

Gen 9:5 And for your lifeblood I will require a reckoning: from every beast I will require it and from man. From his fellow man I will require a reckoning for the life of man.

There are several different views that have been put forth by several different rabbis and several different biblical scholars as to why our Father in Heaven allowed animals for food after the flood, but not before the flood, and this debate continues to rage on even to this day. And there are certain individuals who believe that we should all be vegetarians, because our Father in Heaven only gave man plants and herbs to eat in the beginning, however... Our Messiah himself ate meet, and he ate fish while he was here on earth, and he never rebuked anyone for eating meat, and so this vegetarian theory falls short when compared to what we find in our Scripture.

There is however something very interesting that I would like to share with you from the book of Enoch concerning the anti-duluvian, pre-flood events that took place in Genesis chapter 7. Before we read this section of the book of Enoch I want to be very clear... the book of Enoch is not considered part of the biblical Canon according to most biblical scholars. However... the book of Enoch is still considered part of the biblical Canon in the churches of Ethiopia, and it is clear that the apostles and even our Messiah quoted from the book of Enoch. And so, as a believer in someone who is seeking after the truth... I have found that the book of Enoch may very well have some very pertinent historical information found within its pages that may help us all to fill in the blanks from time to time. And I just want us to remember that the book of Enoch was indeed included in the early church and when I say “early church”... I'm not talking about early in the fourth century church. I'm talking about the true early church that existed

during the time of the apostles. And so once again I'd like us to just be aware of what is written in the book of Enoch 7:1-5:

1. And all the others together with them took unto themselves wives, and each chose for himself one, and they began to go in unto them and to defile themselves with them, and they taught them charms and enchantments, and the cutting of roots, and made them acquainted with plants. 2. And they became pregnant, and they bare great giants, whose height was three thousand ells: 3. Who consumed all the acquisitions of men. And when men could no longer sustain them, 4. the giants turned against them and devoured mankind. 5. And they began to sin against birds, and beasts, and reptiles, and fish, and to devour one another's flesh, and drink the blood. 6. Then the earth laid accusation against the lawless ones.

Some rabbis believe that our Father in Heaven allowed us to eat animals after the flood because Noah saved the animals, and therefore, God gave the animals to man to do with what he wanted. But I am not so sure that this teaching is correct when we compare that theory with what we find in Genesis chapter 1 verse 28:

Gen 1:28 And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

So, in other words, our Father in Heaven had already given man dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth. So, the question then becomes... did man eat meat and animals before the flood? In the very next verse in verse 29 were told that God said that he gave every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit for food. So where did man get the idea to eat animals, if not from the Giants who preceded the fallen Angels who took for themselves wives all that they chose?

According to the book of Enoch these giant offspring were already eating meat and vegetation. And when they couldn't find any more meat or vegetation to eat... they began to eat the flesh of men and then they even ate the flesh of each other. So, the question then begs... is this where man got the idea to eat animals? Could man have been imitating these Giants by eating the same meat that they were eating, thinking that they too would become gods? We know that the wickedness of man was great in the earth and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. So, with that in mind... and with what we know given through the book of Enoch... it would seem more likely that man had started to eat the same animals that he saw the giants eating, and this could very well have been an attempt by man to become God himself. The truth is we simply don't know, because we were simply not told... at least not in so many words.

Something else important to understand is the fact that man was already killing animals to sacrifice to God. We already know that Abel's animal sacrifice was more pleasing to God than

Cain's garden-variety sacrifice, so we know that animals were already being sacrificed to our Father in Heaven from the very beginning. Did these Giants who preceded these fallen Angels teach man that by eating animals he too... could become like God? After all... this is what the serpent told Eve in the garden was it not? That if she ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil... she would know good and evil and become like God?

And so, there is much to contemplate concerning why it is that our Father in Heaven gave man plants and vegetation to eat in the beginning of the book of Genesis... and then after the flood gives animals for food for man to eat. But no matter what the reason was that God gave man animals to eat... the important thing to understand is that only what God says his food, is food. It is our Father in Heaven that dictates what is to nourish the human body that he created. And this understanding of what food is, will become even more important as we move forward throughout his Torah.

What's important to remember is that only what God says his food... Is food. Man does not get to pick and choose what food is. And our Father has very strict rules and regulations as to what food is, and what food is not even to this very day, and I would submit to you my friends that most modern-day professing Christians have no idea that the very reason that the human body has become so weak and feeble and cancerous in our time... is because of the things that man has been putting into his mouth that has not been given as food to eat by our Father in Heaven, and will get into the toxins and the poisons that radiate from things that our Father in Heaven has not given us to eat as food as we move through his Torah.

As we said in the first part of our study into the seventh chapter of the book of Genesis... the Ark itself can be likened to our Messiah in many different ways. It was the Ark that brought Noah and his family through the storm to the promised salvation of our Father in Heaven, just like it is our Messiah who will bring us through the storms and the trials and the tribulations of this life to the salvation that our Father in Heaven has provided through his only begotten Son.

And if we continue to think of the Ark as being much like our Messiah who brings us to salvation... we can't help but know and understand the importance of the good works that we do... not to earn salvation... but because we are grateful for being one of God's chosen people. And this points us right back to Hebrews chapter 10 verses 16-17:

Heb 10:16 "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,"

Heb 10:17 then he adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

It should be evident to every Christian who reads the Bible, that what we find here in the New Testament... in Hebrews 10:16 and 17 is the exact same new covenant that is given to us in the Old Testament... In Jeremiah 31:33:

Jer 31:33 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days,

declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Today's modern-day version of Christianity would have us believe that the new covenant Christian is void of the law of God, but if today's modern-day professing Christian would simply read the Scripture for themselves, they would certainly know better.

The whole premise, the idea, the whole plan of God in sending his only begotten Son to be the propitiation for the sins of the whole world, and seeing his pain and his suffering, and contemplating what it must have done to our Father in Heaven to watch his only begotten Son being beaten, and punched, and slapped, and scourged, and mocked, and ridiculed at the hands of men who were being controlled by his adversary because they chose to worship the creature... rather than the Creator. How could his laws not be written in our hearts? How could the very law that defines the very sinful nature that we have witnessed at the hands of those wicked men not be written in our hearts? The very law that protects us from becoming like those wicked men who punched, and slapped, and scourged, and mock, and ridiculed, our Messiah cannot help but be written in our hearts and in our minds.

But you see today's denominational early church fathers just don't see it that way. And there's a reason why they don't see it. They don't see it because they don't truly want to see it, and it is written that they would not see it. Matthew 13:13-15:

Mat 13:13 This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand.

Mat 13:14 Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says: "'You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive.'

Mat 13:15 For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.'

There will always be those who will see what they want to see, and hear what they want to hear. But they will never truly see, hear, or understand, because they are not seeking the same thing that we are seeking. Truth. We do not seek our own agenda, we do not seek the doctrines and the theologies and the philosophies of our denominational charters of men. We do not seek the knowledge of our so-called "early church fathers". We do not seek the knowledge, and the philosophies, and the understandings of men. We see the truth. They seek to prove their agenda. There is a difference. It is as evident as night versus day, black versus white, light versus darkness. They seek to be proven right. We seek to find the truth. And this is what separates us from them.

"I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds," then he adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." How hard is it for us to understand this Scripture? Once again, I plainly ask... do we need a secret decoder ring to understand that our

Father says very clearly that he will put his laws in our hearts and write them in our minds? Do we need to decode this very plain, very precise, very clear Scripture? Do we need a so-called “*early church father*” to explain it to us? Do we need four years of seminary school to understand it? Because I would submit to you my friends that it says what it says and it means, what it says.

I find it shameful that we taught our children in Sunday school classes for generations, that Noah only took two of every kind of animal into the Ark. I want us to think about that for just a moment. We’ve been teaching our children about the unclean animals. Let’s turn to Genesis 7:2-3:

Gen 7:2 Take with you seven pairs of all clean animals, the male and his mate, and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and his mate,

Gen 7:3 and seven pairs of the birds of the heavens also, male and female, to keep their offspring alive on the face of all the earth.

Isn’t it interesting that today’s modern-day version of Christianity chooses to teach their children about the animals that are not clean... versus the seven pairs of 14 animals that are clean.

The difference between what is clean and what is unclean is very profound all through our Fathers Torah and will see that as we progress through it... but one of the very prominent things that I want us to think about, is how did Noah know which animals were clean, and which animals were unclean? If the law was not given until Moses gave it at mount Sinai... then how did Noah know the difference between a clean and an unclean animal?

There should be no doubt in our minds when we see Cain and Abel sacrificing to our Father in Heaven and when we see Noah knowing the difference between clean and unclean animals... that the law of God... also known as the word of God... was given in the garden of Eden. Just as we’re told in John 1:1:

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Joh 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Joh 1:2 The same was in the beginning with God.

Joh 1:3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

The word of God was made known to men clear back in the garden. And I want us to notice something very important in John one verse two. It does not necessarily say and “*he*” (as in a human man) was in the beginning with God. So many of our English translations have inserted the word “*he*” in verse 2 instead of “*the same*” as the King James Version does.” Many people are very confused by the Scripture that we find in John 1:1-3, because they’ve been told that this proves that Jesus the man was with God in the flesh from the beginning, but this is not in any way what the Scripture says. The proper translation of the Scripture says and I quote again

“*the same*”... was in the beginning with God. Not “*he*” was in the beginning with God. “*The Same*” word was with God. Verse three tells us “all things were made by him and without him was not anything made that was made.” All things were made by him who? By him “God”. Our Father in Heaven.

If we look at the words “*the same*” in John one verse two... we find that it is the Greek word “*hoo-tos*” which can mean several different things. It can mean “*he*” but it can also mean “*she*” or it can mean “*hereof*” it can mean “*it*” it can mean “*such as*” it can mean “*the same*” it can mean “*these*” it can mean “*they*” and it can even mean “*which*” or “*who*”.

So, this Greek word can mean many different things and I believe that the King James translators got this one right when they translated it as “*the same*”. “*The same*” word was in the beginning with God. We have to remember that our Messiah Yeshua also known as Jesus... came from the loins of King David, just as were told in second Samuel chapter 7. And we must also remember that our Messiah Yeshua also known as Jesus was a man who had the word of God embedded in to him. And so, it should be clear to us that the man Yeshua Jesus... was begotten, created, by his Father from the loins of his faithful servant David. Our Messiah was a Jewish man who came from the house of David and the tribe of Judah. But... our Messiah was also the word of his Father made flesh, and the word of God that was a part of our Messiah... had always been with God from the very beginning. And so, it is, that our Messiah was the word of God that God made flesh from the very loins, and the very body of his faithful servant David. That part of our Messiah... “*the word*”... “*the Logos*”... that he was... was indeed preexistent with his Father. And so, with this understanding it is not incorrect to say that this part of our Messiah did indeed preexist. God’s word was always respected. God’s word was always loved and honored. God’s word was what defined sin. God’s word is always what has protected mankind from sin. And so, it should not surprise us that God’s word... also known as his law... is an extension of God’s love for his creation. And our Messiah had become the very manifestation of the word of God. He was the very manifestation of the love of God, which in turn means that our Messiah had become the very manifestation of the law of God.

And so, it was because Noah knew the word of God... (that Yahshua was)... that he was able to distinguish which animals were clean and which animals were unclean. And so, when we speak of the law... which is also known as “*the word of God*”... we should not be dumbfounded, or fooled into thinking that the law was never heard of before Moses. The law of God, also known as the word of God... the “*Logos of God*”, had always been known from the very beginning. Moses simply brought down a refresher course if you will of our Fathers law (also known as his “word”). Our Father in Heaven wanted Moses to remind his people of the law that he would write in their hearts and on their minds so that they would be protected from the sinful nature that they had been born into because of the fall of Adam.

And so, as we get back to the animals that entered into the Ark it should be clear to us that only the unclean animals were chosen to enter the Ark as one pair of animals. The clean animals were to enter the Ark by seven pairs or 14. So there would be two of every unclean animal and

14 of every clean animal that God had commanded to enter into the Ark. Of course, this is not what modern day Christianity teaches our children in Sunday school, because today's modern-day version of Christianity has no concept of what a clean and an unclean animal even is, because they have thrown away the God of the Old Testament and replaced him with his only begotten Son who continuously teaches us to love his Father who is the God of both the Old and New Testaments!

Do you see how twisted and contorted today's modern-day version of Christianity has become because of who it is that they worship? They worship their denominational charters of men. They worship their so-called "*early church fathers*". They worship their prestigious Bible commentators. They worship their pastors, their priests, their bishops, and their popes. They will worship anyone and anything... except the one true God of Abraham Isaac and Jacob and the God breathed Scriptures that both he and his only begotten Son have left us with.

Only if Gods law, also known as his "*word*"... is written in our hearts and in our minds... is his spirit truly dwelling within us. Our Father in Heaven says that he will write his laws in our hearts and in our minds. How did he do that? He did it by forcing us to watch the slaughter of his only begotten Son because of our transgressions. He did it by forcing us to see what the cost of sin is. Noah had the laws of God written in his heart and in his mind without being forced to watch the slaughter of his only begotten Son. But you can bet that Noah had seen the slaughter of many of Gods children because of sin. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation, and Noah walked with God, because Noah could see what the cost of sin was simply by looking at all the wickedness that surrounded him in his day. How great was the faith of men like Noah, and Abraham, and Moses, and all those who kept the law not by works... but by faith, because they had the very essence of our Messiah already written in their hearts and in their minds.

We must ask ourselves what made Noah righteous? Today's modern-day version of Christianity proudly proclaims that the law cannot make you righteous. But that's not what the apostle Paul ever said. Once again, I'd like us to turn to Romans chapter 9:30-32:

Rom 9:30 What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith;

Rom 9:31 but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law.

Rom 9:32 Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works. They have stumbled over the stumbling stone,

We must ask ourselves... Did Noah know how to pursue a law that would lead to righteousness? Let me put it another way... did Noah have faith in the only begotten son of God? Think about that for just a moment. Is it not written that no one comes to the Father but through the Son? Did Noah love Yeshua Jesus? How could Noah be righteous without Yeshua Jesus? Because Noah loved the law. Noah loved the word of God, and our Messiah was the

word of God made flesh by his Father. If you love the law of God... then you love the Messiah. And if you love the Messiah... then you love the law of God, because he is the word of God made flesh. Noah had faith in the word of God, and so it was that Noah loved the very essence of who our Messiah was. And through this love... Noah had become righteous in the eyes of God. And therefore salvation was offered to him by our Father in Heaven.

Who gives grace? Grace is given by the one true God of Abraham Isaac and Jacob. But this grace that God gives, is given through his only begotten Son whom he created from the very loins, and the very body of his faithful servant David, who became the living word of God made flesh. Without the one true God of Abraham Isaac and Jacob there is no grace. Without the one true God of Abraham Isaac and Jacob there is no only begotten Son. Without the one true God of Abraham Isaac and Jacob there is no salvation. But today's modern-day version of churchyanity... has all but erased the one true God of Abraham Isaac and Jacob from the equation.

But I would submit to you my friends that both Noah and Yeshua knew better than that. Both Noah and Yeshua preached and taught the law of God... also known as... the word of God. God is his word, and his word is his law. John 12:49-50:

Joh 12:49 For I have not spoken on my own authority, but the Father who sent me has himself given me a commandment—what to say and what to speak.

Joh 12:50 And I know that his commandment is eternal life. What I say, therefore, I say as the Father has told me."

John 5:30-31:

Joh 5:30 "I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge, and my judgment is just, because I seek not my own will but the will of him who sent me.

Joh 5:31 If I alone bear witness about myself, my testimony is not true.

People will often times asked me... *"How will the people of the Old Testament be saved? Because Yeshua Jesus did not enter the world until the New Testament?"* But this is far from true my friends... if we would only reach out to our Father in Heaven and ask him for the discernment to understand. Those who kept the law by faith, because they loved the law, (also known as the word) will indeed be saved because our Messiah was the word made flesh.

Yeshua Jesus was a mortal man... and yet he did not have 46 chromosomes. Each and every human being has 46 chromosomes, 23 from their mother and 23 from their father. Yeshua only had 26 chromosomes. He had 23 chromosomes from his mother... but he only had one chromosome from his Father. And believe it or not my friends... this has already been proven by a laboratory in Israel because of a man by the name of Ron Wyatt. And that's another story that we will get into another time... as we progress through our Fathers Torah... but for now the point that I'm trying to establish... is that just like every human being is part of both their

mother and their father... So was our Messiah part of both his mother and his father.

Even though fully human... our Messiah carried the chromosome of his Father... which could be seen as the very word of his Father made flesh. Just like all men carry the traits of their fathers... so too did our Messiah carry the traits of his Father. People continuously asked the wrong question. "Is Jesus God, and is God Jesus?" they will ask. And the proper answer is that Yeshua was no more his Father than I am my Father... and at the same time... he is no less his Father than I am my Father. The father resides in me, and I in him, and Yeshua in me, and I in him. John 14:20:

Joh 14:20 In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.
Joh 14:21 Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

You see we are all intertwined my friends. God is not just our Messiah's Father. God is the Father of us all. We were made in the image of God who is our Father. We have the breath of our Father in us, we have the living word of God written on our hearts and in our minds... but we are not God. God is God... we are his children. And our Messiah is our brother who has been made our King, and given all authority in Heaven and on earth by "our" Father. Hebrews 2:11-12:

Heb 2:11 For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers,
Heb 2:12 saying, "I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise."

Noah was righteous before God because he understood these spiritual things. Noah... just like we and our Messiah, knew that he was connected at the hip to God his father through the faith that he had in him, and through the love that Noah had for his Father's word. And this is what caused Noah to have the obedience to keep the laws of God. Noah wasn't trying to earn anything. Noah was simply able to see the difference between good and evil... and he chose good over evil. Noah made the right choice, and we can all be thankful that he did. Noah's faith is what fueled him to show his love to his Father in Heaven by keeping his commandments. Noah knew that the love of God was that we keep his commandments and his commandments are not a burden to us. Noah clear back in the beginning of the book understood what was written at the end of the book in first John 5:3.

There are so many lessons to be learned in the righteousness of Noah. So many lessons to be learned through studying to show ourselves approved, through prayer and supplication, through reaching, and asking and seeking and knocking. How much more do we know today... than we knew yesterday... because of his mercy and his grace, that he delivered in person... through his only begotten Son... the man... Yahshua Hamashiach?

We should all give thanks that our Father in Heaven recognized and accepted the righteousness of Noah as being acceptable to him so that our Father in Heaven could extend his free gift of salvation not only to Noah and his family... but to yours and mine.