



# DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Genesis 8:20-9:17

Here are some questions and thoughts to help guide discussion:

1. What did we learn on Sunday about how the story of Noah fits into the big storyline of the Bible? Were there any new ideas you wrestled with, or questions that weren't answered for you?
2. Last week, we heard about God's promise for a "serpent-crusher" (see Gen. 3:15). In what ways did Noah seem to fit this bill? In what ways did he fall short?
3. We heard on Sunday that Noah was an "*almost* second Adam." We know that Jesus is the *true* second Adam (1 Cor 15:45). How is Jesus different from Noah? In what ways does Noah help us look forward to Jesus?
4. How does God's covenant with Noah give us perspective on this time of year, as we move from another summer into another fall? (Gen 8:22)
5. Have you ever blamed your problems on other people or circumstances? Or have you ever thought that the world would be a better place if everybody were just like you? How does the story of Noah correct both of these perspectives, and help us see ourselves more accurately?
6. How do you respond to the idea that our generation deserves to be destroyed in a flood just as much as Noah's did, and the only thing holding this back is the covenant God made with Noah? How does this impact the way we look at and live in our world today?
7. What does all of this mean for what's ahead of you this week? How will you specifically apply these truths to your life?