

GENESIS 9; January 9; God Establishes the Death Penalty

ANALYSIS:

1. What authority does God give Noah and his sons relative to living things? _____
2. What does God now add to the "green herb" diet of Gen 1:29, 3:18 for man to eat? _____
3. What does God prohibit with regard to this addition? _____
4. What does God require if either a beast or a man sheds another man's blood, that is, kills another person? _____
5. What is God's covenant with Noah, his seed and every living creature regarding flood waters? _____
6. What is God's everlasting token of this covenant? _____

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

The word "covenant" occurs in the Bible about 300 times. A very significant occurrence is its use to describe God's plan of salvation through Christ Jesus as a "better" and "new" covenant between Himself and His elect (Heb 8:6, 8, 13; 12:24). The apostle thus contrasts the O.T. sacrifices and service as "old and ready to vanish away" (Heb 8:13). Let us rejoice and give thanks in knowing that our Lord Jesus Christ, by offering Himself without spot to God, became the mediator of the new testament and confirmed the promise of eternal life to us who believe in Jesus (Heb 9:14-15).

When you see a rainbow in the sky, do you think about its origin and thank God for the promises He made to the human family at that time?

Can you defend capital punishment, using verses 5 & 6 of this chapter and Romans 13:1-7?

HELP:

1. They were given authority and dominion over every living thing.
2. flesh.
3. blood was not to be eaten.
4. man was to shed that man or beast's blood, that is, the killer was to be put to death.
5. God would not cut off all life with a flood again, neither destroy the earth by a flood.
6. the rainbow in the cloud.