

Message Notes

"The God who will not be mocked"

Scripture Passages

(taken from the New International Version)

Introduction – *"The joy of Junior High School"*

The God who...

CREATES
Is COMPASSIONATE
MAKES AND KEEPS
PROMISES

Genesis 2 – did it really come true?

Doesn't seem that bad...

THE GOD WHO WON'T BE MOCKED

A children's story? - Genesis 6

1. He takes being mocked very seriously! And yet... his justice is very complicated...

2. Curses from God? – Deuteronomy 11 / Joshua 8

3. The curses come true, but with a twist! – Isaiah 57

4. The God who is willing to be mocked (for a season) to bring you to himself! – Luke 18 and 23

5. The result of mocking God in this life – Romans 1

6. The result of mocking God eternally – Galatians 6 and Revelation 20

Application – *The God who won't be mocked, is willing to be mocked for you. Will you let him and will you stop making a mockery of him?*

[Grab a Bible for the passages not written out here]

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Genesis 6:14

Genesis 6:5-8

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Deuteronomy 11:29

Joshua 8:33

Isaiah 57:1-6, 11-13a, 14-21

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The God who creates



The God who makes promises



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“The distance between God and the creature is so great, that although reasonable creatures do owe obedience unto Him as their Creator, yet they could never have any fruition of him as their blessedness and reward, but by some voluntary condescension on God’s part, which He hath been pleased to express by the way of covenant.”

~Westminster Confession of Faith (VII/i)

It doesn't seem that bad...

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¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; ¹⁷but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die."

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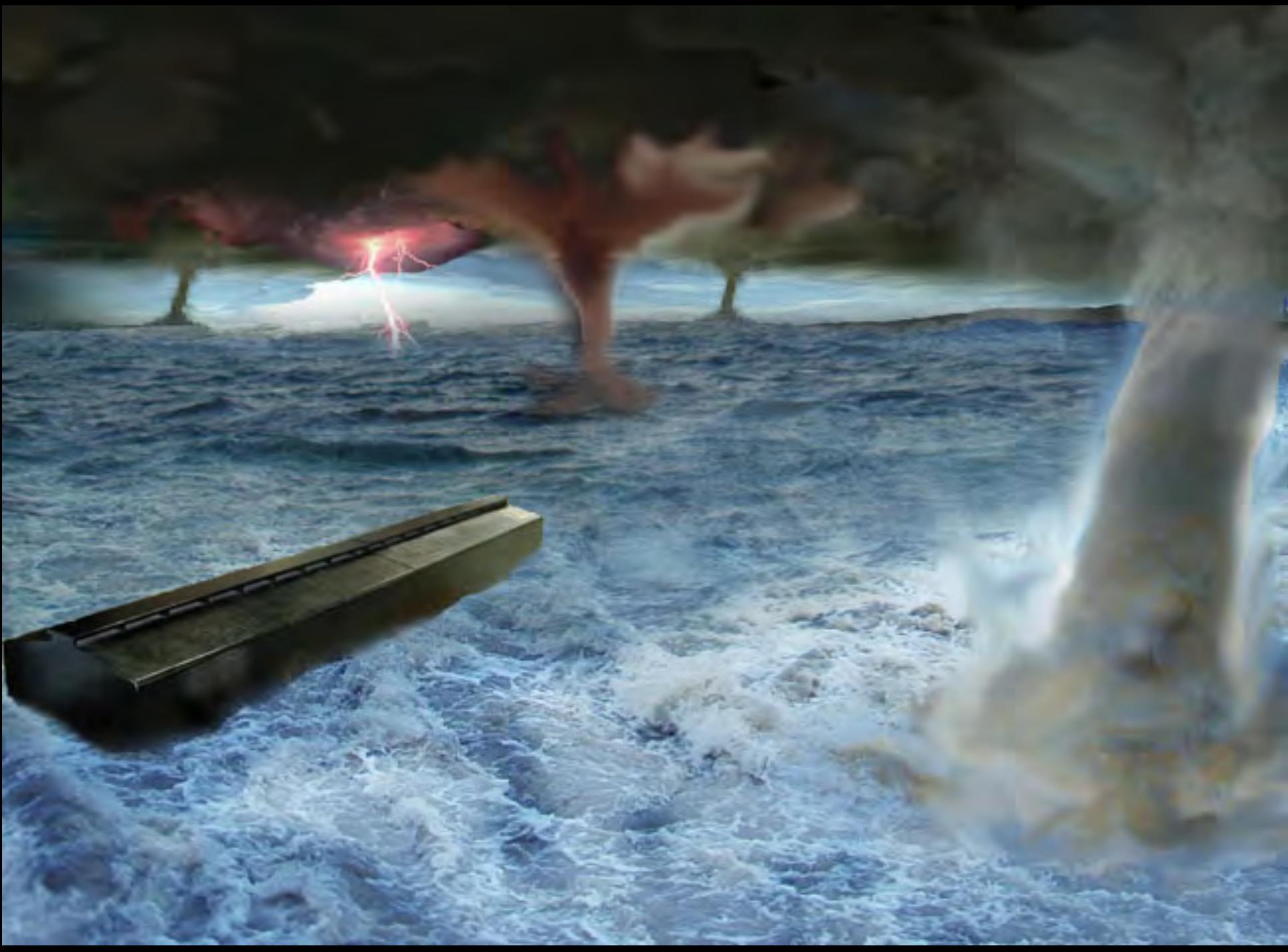
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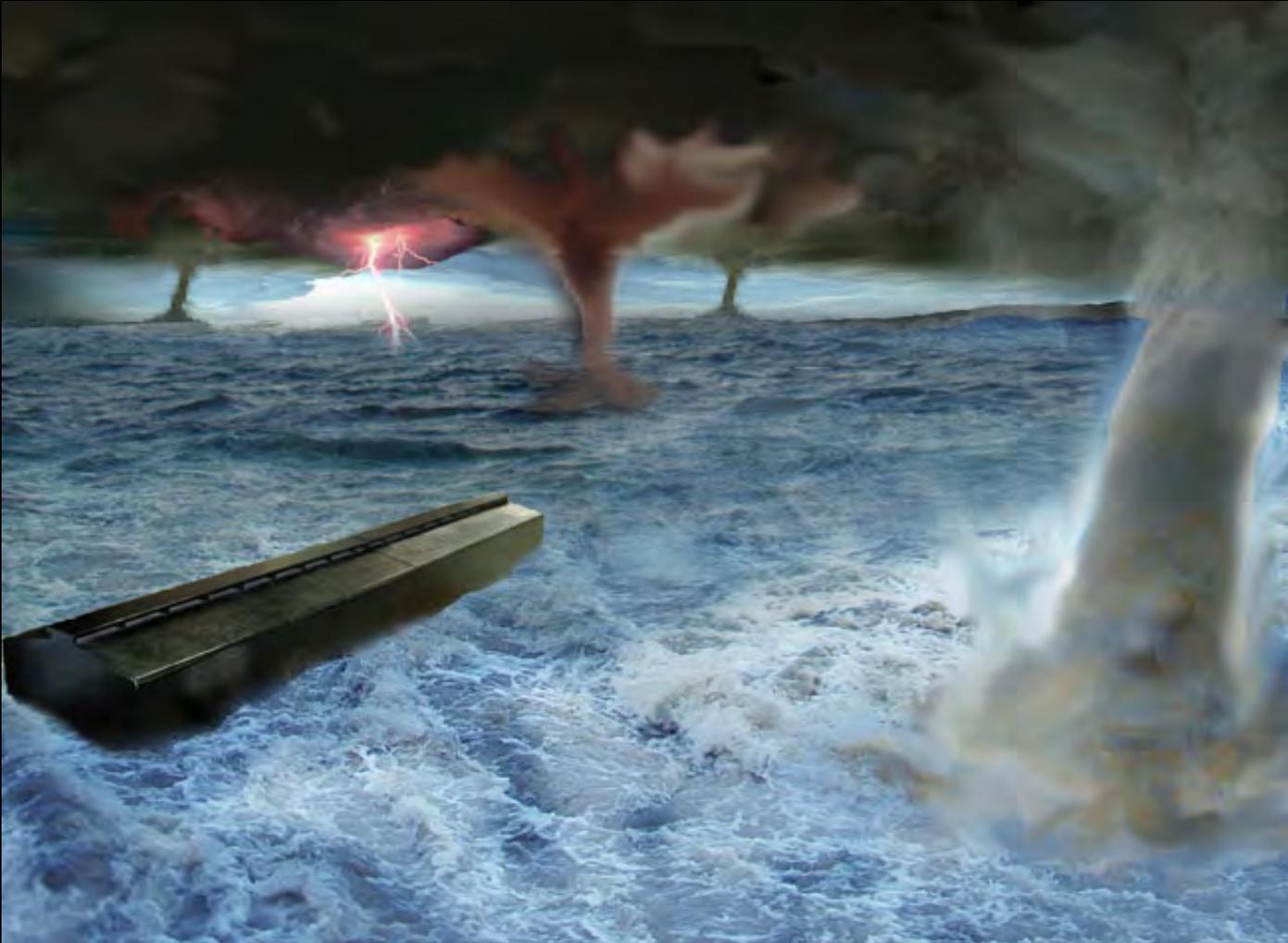
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2. God warns Israel of his love and justice



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³³All Israel, aliens and citizens alike, with their elders, officials and judges, were standing on both sides of the ark of the covenant of the



LORD, facing those who carried it—the priests, who were Levites. Half of the people stood in front of Mount Gerizim and half of them in front of Mount Ebal, as Moses the servant of the LORD had formerly commanded when he gave instructions to bless the people of Israel.

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3. The curses come true...

Isaiah 57:1-6

¹The righteous perish, and no one ponders it in his heart; devout men are taken away, and no one understands that the righteous are taken away to be spared from evil. ²Those who walk uprightly enter into peace; they find rest as they lie in death. ³“But you – come here, you sons of a sorceress, you offspring of adulterers and prostitutes! ⁴Whom are you mocking? At whom do you sneer and stick out your tongue? Are you not a brood of rebels, the offspring of liars? ⁵You burn with lust among the oaks and under every spreading tree; you sacrifice your children in the ravines and under the overhanging crags. ⁶The idols among the smooth stones of the ravines are your portion; they, they are your lot. Yes, to them you have poured out drink offerings and offered grain offerings. In the light of these things, should I relent?”

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Isaiah 57:11-13a

¹¹“Whom have you so dreaded and feared that you have been false to me, and have neither remembered me nor pondered this in your hearts? Is it not because I have long been silent that you do not fear me? ¹²I will expose your righteousness and your works, and they will not benefit you. ¹³When you cry out for help, let your collection of idols save you!”

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Isaiah 57:14-21

¹⁴And it will be said: “Build up, build up, prepare the road! Remove the obstacles out of the way of my people.” ¹⁵For this is what the high and lofty One says—he who lives for ever, whose name is holy: “I live in a high and holy place, but also with him who is contrite and lowly in spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly and to revive the heart of the contrite. ¹⁶I will not accuse for ever, nor will I always be angry, for then the spirit of man would grow faint before me—the breath of man that I have created. ¹⁷I was enraged by his sinful greed; I punished him, and hid my face in anger, yet he kept on in his willful ways. ¹⁸I have seen his ways, but I will heal him; I will guide him and restore comfort to him, ¹⁹creating praise on the lips of the mourners in Israel. Peace, peace, to those far and near,” says the LORD. “And I will heal them.” ²⁰But the wicked are like the tossing sea, which cannot rest, whose waves cast up mire and mud. ²¹“There is no peace,” says my God, “for the wicked.”

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¹¹Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked him. Dressing him in an elegant robe, they sent him back to Pilate...

³³When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals – one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided up his clothes by casting lots. ³⁵The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.”

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