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Perseverance

The Flood Begins Genesis 7:1-10

⁷ Then the Lord said to Noah, "I have seen that you are the best man among the people of this time. So you and your family go into the boat. ² Take with you seven pairs, each male with its female, of every kind of clean animal. And take one pair, each male with its female, of every kind of unclean animal. ³ Take seven pairs of all the birds of the sky, each male with its female. This will allow all these animals to continue living on the earth after the flood. ⁴ Seven days from now I will send rain on the earth. It will rain 40 days and 40 nights. I will destroy from the earth every living thing that I made."

⁵ Noah did everything that the Lord commanded him.

⁶ Noah was 600 years old when the flood came. ⁷ He and his wife and his sons and their wives went into the boat. They went in to escape the waters of the flood. ⁸ The clean animals, the unclean animals, the birds and everything that crawls on the ground ⁹ came to Noah. They went into the boat in groups of two, male and female. This was just as God had commanded Noah. ¹⁰ Seven days later the flood started.



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Forgiveness

An Unforgiving Servant Matthew 18:21-35

²¹ Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, when my brother sins against me, how many times must I forgive him? Should I forgive him as many as 7 times?"

²² Jesus answered, "I tell you, you must forgive him more than 7 times. You must forgive him even if he does wrong to you 70 times 7.

²³ "The kingdom of heaven is like a king who decided to collect the money his servants owed him. ²⁴ So the king began to collect his money. One servant owed him several million dollars. ²⁵ But the servant did not have enough money to pay his master, the king. So, the master ordered that everything the servant owned should be sold, even the servant's wife and children. The money would be used to pay the king what the servant owed.

²⁶ "But the servant fell on his knees and begged, 'Be patient with me. I will pay you everything I owe.' ²⁷ The master felt sorry for his servant. So, the master told the servant he did not have to pay. He let the servant go free.

²⁸ "Later, that same servant found another servant who owed him a few dollars. The servant grabbed the other servant around the neck and said, 'Pay me the money you owe me!'

²⁹ "The other servant fell on his knees and begged him, 'Be patient with me. I will pay you everything I owe.'

³⁰ "But the first servant refused to be patient. He threw the other servant into prison until he could pay everything he owed. ³¹ All the other servants saw what happened. They were very sorry. So, they went and told their master all that had happened.

³² "Then the master called his servant in and said, 'You evil servant! You begged me to forget what you owed. So, I told you that you did not have to pay anything. ³³ I had mercy on you. You should have had the same mercy on that other servant.' ³⁴ The master was very angry, and he put the servant in prison to be punished. The servant had to stay in prison until he could pay everything he owed.

³⁵ "This king did what my heavenly Father will do to you if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."



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Peace

Jesus Stops a Storm Mark 4:35-41

³⁵ That evening, Jesus said to his followers, "Come with me across the lake." ³⁶ He and the followers left the people there. They went in the boat that Jesus was already sitting in. There were also other boats with them. ³⁷ A very strong wind came up on the lake. The waves began coming over the sides and into the boat. It was almost full of water. ³⁸ Jesus was at the back of the boat, sleeping with his head on a pillow. The followers went to him and woke him. They said, "Teacher, do you care about us? We will drown!"

³⁹ Jesus stood up and commanded the wind and the waves to stop. He said, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind stopped, and the lake became calm.

⁴⁰ Jesus said to his followers, "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

⁴¹ The followers were very afraid and asked each other, "What kind of man is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"



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Honesty

Zacchaeus Luke 19:1-10

19 Jesus was going through the city of Jericho. **2** In Jericho there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a wealthy, very important tax collector. **3** He wanted to see who Jesus was, but he was too short to see above the crowd. **4** He ran ahead to a place where he knew Jesus would come. He climbed a sycamore tree so he could see Jesus. **5** When Jesus came to that place, he looked up and saw Zacchaeus in the tree. He said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down! I must stay at your house today."

6 Zacchaeus came down quickly. He was pleased to have Jesus in his house. **7** All the people saw this and began to complain, "Look at the kind of man Jesus stays with. Zacchaeus is a sinner!"

8 But Zacchaeus said to the Lord, "I will give half of my money to the poor. If I have cheated anyone, I will pay that person back four times more!"

9 Jesus said, "Salvation has come to this house today. This man truly belongs to the family of Abraham. **10** The Son of Man came to find lost people and save them."