



***Remembered by God***

Genesis 8  
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**Introduction:** A year-long catastrophic ordeal. Finally over. Noah and his family have survived a civilization-ending, world-population-destroying flood. They have been spared by God. Not because they were the best people on earth at the time, but because God, for reasons only known to Himself, set His sights on Noah. God's grace found Noah. And preserved him and his family as a new people, for a new start to the earth. Now what?

**Four Responses to Grace**

**01.**

**02.**

**03.**

**04.**

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1. What does it mean when we read in the Scriptures that “God remembered” someone (see Gen. 8:1; 1 Sam. 1:19)? Does God ever forget? What are some ways in which God has remembered you?
2. Explain this statement: “Rather than an ‘if ... then’ statement, grace comes as a ‘because ... therefore’ statement.”
3. How does looking back at God’s providential care for us gives us confidence in what He will do for us in the future? How have your hopes and expectations be stirred by what you’ve already seen God do in your life?
4. What is it about Noah’s offering in verse 21 that pleases God?
5. What do verses 21-22 reveal to us about God’s character?

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1. "What the Lord did for Noah is, beyond all contradiction, the most glorious manifestation of divine grace in the whole history of primeval man. As the flood is the punishment in that era, so the salvation of Noah is the demonstration of God's favour and the great picture of redemption." - Henri Blocher
2. Rather than an 'if ... then' statement, grace comes as a 'because ... therefore' statement.
3. "God's remembering always implies his movement toward the object of his memory." - Brevard Childs
4. **01. Grace engenders hope. God's display of past grace fuels our faith in future grace.**
6. **02. Grace motivates obedience. God's unconditional love for us enables and compels our pursuit of holiness.**
7. **03. Grace prompts repentance. Turning from sin is the only fitting response for one who has been undeservedly saved.**
8. The goodness of God to a man of evil life is not intended to encourage him to continue in his sin, but it is meant to woo and win him away from it. God manifests His Infinite gentleness and love that He may thereby kill man's sin and, by His tender mercy, He may win man's hard heart unto Himself—and by His abundant loving kindness, He may awaken man's conscience to a sense of his true position in his Maker's sight, that he may turn away from the sin which he now loves and may seek his God, whom he has despised and neglected.
9. **04. Grace inspires worship. Adoration and praise are the delights of the soul that has been rescued by God.**

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