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THE FLOOD

Genesis 6-9

I Peter 3:21

- Corresponding to that, baptism now saves you--not the removal of dirt from the flesh, but an appeal to God for a good conscience--through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,



Baptism and The Flood

- The Flood cleansed the earth of sin.
- Baptism cleanses us of sin.
- Those in the ark look forward the hope of the end of the flood.
- When we are baptized we have the hope that is only found in Christ.
- God is always concerned about His people and has a plan to save them from evil.

What I Peter 3:20-22 Teaches on Baptism.

- In the same way that the flood was required to cleanse the earth from evil, so does baptism for the believer.
- It is a spiritual cleansing done by a physical act.
- Baptism is an appeal to God (Acts 22:16).
- Baptism is based upon the redeeming work of Christ.
- In baptism we place our faith in Christ, because He is all powerful.

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- In context this idea would be a great encouragement to the brethren Peter is writing to.
- In the same way that God saved Noah from evil, God will save those who are baptized.
- The results may not be immediate, but ultimately, those who cause God's people to suffer will be punished and those who appeal to God for help will be saved.